

WEST VIRGINIA

Hunting & Trapping

REGULATIONS SUMMARY



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Natural Resources Reality Check-----



Reality shows are taking over the TV screen. It seems that every channel has reality shows based on fear, love or sports.

Let's examine a local reality "show." It's focus is funding fish and wildlife management programs.

Fantasy – general tax revenues support fish and wildlife programs. **Reality** — less than 5 percent of such funding comes from general state coffers. Approximately 80 percent of the DNR budget for managing fish and wildlife comes directly from hunters, trappers and anglers.

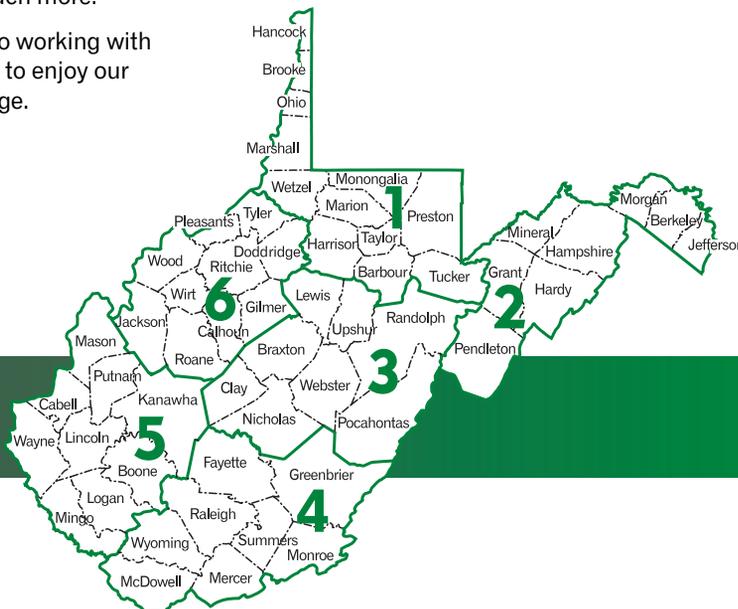
Fantasy – license fees are used to pay for education and build highways. **Reality** – every cent you spend on licenses goes to manage our state's bountiful fish and wildlife resources.

Fantasy – all the money you spend on hunting and fishing equipment goes to the retailer who sold them to you. **Reality** – you pay a small tax on that equipment, a portion of which is given back to the West Virginia DNR to be used solely for fish and wildlife management. This Federal Aid in Sportfish and Wildlife Restoration money accounts for 22 percent of funding for the Wildlife Resources and Law Enforcement sections.

Ultimate Reality – without hunters, trappers, and anglers, fish and wildlife management as we know it today would not exist. Your dollars paid for the successful restoration of turkeys from 1953 until 1989. Your dollars paid for black bear research which provided data needed to increase the population of our state animal. Your dollars paid for the purchase or lease of 340,000 acres of public lands and active management on another 1 million acres of national forest land. Your dollars paid for enforcement of laws enacted to conserve our natural resources. Your dollars paid for this and much more.

I thank you for your contributions over the years. I look forward to working with you to ensure that future generations will have the opportunities to enjoy our abundant wildlife resources and carry on our rich outdoor heritage.

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Summary of Changes 2004 - 2005

1. There will be a six-day early bear season with dogs November 1-6, 2004 and a six-day bear gun season without dogs, November 22-27, 2004, in Boone, Fayette, Kanawha and Raleigh counties. See page 27.
2. There will be a one-day youth spring gobbler hunt on Saturday, April 23, 2005, for youth hunters, age 10 thru 14. The youth must be accompanied by a licensed adult, 21 years of age or older, who cannot carry a gun or bow and must remain near enough to the youth to render advice and assistance. The bag limit is one gobbler which will count toward the youth hunter's annual bag limit. Only shotguns using shot sizes 4, 5, and 6 are legal. See page 24.
3. There will be a season for hunting coyotes at night with amber-colored artificial light from January 1 - July 31, 2005. See page 2.
4. Archery hunters in counties not open to firearms deer hunting may take two deer on Class RB or RRB licenses (one per license and one must be antlerless) provided the first archery deer harvested was taken in a county open to firearms deer hunting. See page 13.
5. Effective, July 1, 2004, the agent fee for issuing an annual license(s) has been increased to \$3 for the first license(s) purchase. Each subsequent annual license(s) purchase in that same year will have a \$1 issuing fee. Lifetime license holders shall pay a \$1 issuing fee for additional annual licenses purchased. See page 31.
6. Residents of other states that offer reciprocal dog training privileges to residents of West Virginia may now train dogs on raccoons in West Virginia from August 15, 2004 to the end of small game season, February 28, 2005. See page 5.
7. Nonresident hunters who qualify and obtain a West Virginia Class Q license (must also have applicable nonresident annual licenses) may now participate in special Class Q hunts and use Class Q hunter access roads. See page 19.

2004 - 2005 Season Dates and Limits

Species	Opening Date	Closing Date	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Season Limit
*Wild Boar (Gun)	October 25	October 30	1	1	1
*Wild Boar (Archery)	October 16	December 31			
*Deer (Bucks Only)	November 22	December 4	1	2	2
*Deer (Archery)	October 16	December 31	1	3	3
*Deer (Antlerless) Split Season	November 22** December 29	December 11 December 31	1***	4***	4***
*Deer (Muzzleloading)	December 13	December 18	1	2***	2***
*Deer (Youth/Class Q Hunt-Antlerless) Split Season	November 6 December 27	November 6 December 28	1 1	1 2	1 2
*Bear (Archery)	October 16	November 20			
*Bear (Gun - Selected Counties)	December 6	December 31			
*Bear (Gun - Selected Counties) See pages 25 - 28	November 1 November 22 December 6	November 6 November 27 December 11	1	1	1
*Turkey, Fall (Selected Counties) (Selected Counties)	October 23 October 23	November 20 October 30	1	1	1
*Turkey (Spring 2005 - Bearded Only)	April 25	May 21	1	2	2
Turkey (Youth Hunt 2005 - see page 24)	April 23	April 23	1	1	1
Squirrel (Gray, Black, Albino and Fox)	October 9	January 31	6	24	None
Squirrel (Youth Hunt - see page 19)	October 2	October 2	6	6	6
Ruffed Grouse	October 16	February 28	4	16	None
Bobwhite Quail	November 6	January 1	3	9	None
Cottontail Rabbit	November 6	February 28	5	20	None
Snowshoe or Varying Hare	November 6	February 28	2	8	None
Ring-necked Pheasant Hillcrest WMA (Cock birds only)	November 6 November 13	January 1 December 11	2 1	2 1	None None
Raccoon (Hunting) The bag limit during any 11-hour period beginning at 6 p.m. and ending at 5 a.m. is four (4) raccoons for each person or groups of persons as a party.	October 16	February 28	4	See definition of possession limit on page 7.	None
Raccoon (Trapping)	November 6	February 28	None	None	None
Red Fox, Gray Fox (Hunting and Trapping)	November 6	February 28	None	None	None
*Bobcat (Hunting and Trapping)	November 6	February 28	2	2	2
Mink, Muskrat (Trapping)	November 6	February 28	None	None	None
*Fisher (Trapping)	November 6	January 31	1	1	1
*Beaver (Trapping)	November 6	March 31	None	None	None
Crow (Thursday, Friday Saturday only) Nuisance crows - crows committing depredations upon ornamental or shade trees, agricultural crops, home gardens, livestock, or wildlife, or when concentrated so as to constitute a health hazard and or other nuisance may be killed at any time.	September 1	December 31	None	None	None
Crow	January 1	February 28	None	None	None
Coyote (day)	Continuous Open Season		None	None	None
Coyote (night)****	January 1	July 31			
Skunk, Opossum, Woodchuck, Weasel, English Sparrow, European Starling and Pigeon	Continuous Open Season		None	None	None
Skunk, opossum, coyote, weasel (Trapping)	November 6	February 28			
Mountain Lion, Elk, Otter, Song and Insectivorous Birds, Hawks, Owls, Falcons and Eagles	No Open Season.				
Geese, Ducks, Mourning Doves, Gallinules, Rails, Woodcock, Common Snipe	Harvest Information Program (HIP) card required. See DNR Migratory Bird Hunting regulations available in September.				

*Must be checked at an official checking station

**December 5 Closed

***See charts on pages 10 - 12

****can only use amber colored artificial light

HUNTING

General Regulations



Prohibitions

It is illegal to:

- hunt in state parks, in safety zones in state forests or wildlife management areas, and in Harpers Ferry National Historical Park.
- shoot, hunt or trap upon the fenced or posted grounds or lands of another person without having in your possession written permission from the landowner.
- have a loaded firearm or a firearm with an attached magazine from which all shells have not been removed in or on any vehicle or conveyance or its attachments. You can have a loaded clip or magazine in the vehicle as long as it is not in or attached to the firearm. Exception for concealed weapons permit holders (see page 5).
- carry an uncased or loaded firearm in the woods, except during open firearms hunting seasons. It is legal to hunt unprotected species of wild animals, wild birds and migratory game birds during the open season in fields, waters and marshes.
- hunt with a fully automatic firearm.
- hunt anything except deer in counties having a bucks-only season during the first three days of this season. It *is* legal to hunt waterfowl during this period on lakes, rivers, and waterways during the open waterfowl season and to bear hunt in specified counties.
- hunt deer, bear or boar between ½ hour after sunset and ½ hour before sunrise.
- shoot at a deer or boar while it is in water.
- be afield with a gun and bow, or with a gun and any arrows, except for concealed weapons permit holders (see page 5).
- carry an uncased gun in or on a vehicle between 5 p.m. and 7 a.m. E.S.T. from October 1 - June 30; and between 8:30 p.m. and 5 a.m. E.S.T. from July 1 - September 30.
- carry an uncased or loaded gun after 5 a.m. on Sunday in counties which prohibit Sunday hunting except at a regularly-used firearm range, or except as provided in the trapping regulations.
- shoot a firearm within 400 feet of a school or church, or within 500 feet of a dwelling, or on or near a park or other place where persons are gathered for pleasure.
- hunt while under the influence of alcohol.
- for anyone under the age of 15 to hunt on public land or the lands of another unless accompanied by a licensed adult who remains near enough to render advice and assistance.
- hunt or fish with a modified bow without a special permit issued by the Director.
- get out of a motor vehicle along a public road and shoot a bow or firearm unless you are at least 25 yards from the vehicle.
- shoot an animal unless it is plainly visible.
- use or take advantage of artificial light in hunting, locating, attracting, or trapping wild birds or wild animals while in possession or control of a firearm, whether cased or uncased, bow, arrow, or other implement suitable for taking, killing or trapping a wild bird or animal. However, lights ordinarily carried on the person may be used for taking raccoon, skunk and opossum. Coyotes may be hunted using amber colored artificial light in open season (see page 2). No person shall be guilty merely because he uses an artificial light to look for, at, or attract a wild bird or animal, unless he has in his possession a firearm, whether cased or uncased, bow, arrow, or other implement suitable for taking, killing or trapping a wild bird or animal, or unless the artificial light (other than the headlamps of a vehicle or other land conveyance) is attached to, a part of, or used from a vehicle or other land conveyance.
- smoke wildlife from its den or place of refuge except as provided by law or regulation.
- hunt with a crossbow or have a crossbow afield.
- catch or kill, or attempt to do so by seine, net, bait, trap, deadfall, snare, or like device, any bear, game bird, protected bird or mammal, or wild boar.
- bait or feed bear.
- hunt or shoot at wild animals or birds from an airborne conveyance, from a vehicle or other land conveyance, from a motor-driven water conveyance, or from or across a public road, unless specifically authorized to do so by law or regulation. You may shoot from a motorized watercraft if the motor has been completely shut off and progress from the motor has ceased.
- use poisons, chemicals or explosives in taking any furbearing animal, game animal, game bird or protected song and insectivorous bird, provided that groundhogs may be controlled on private land by landowners, their resident children or resident parents, or a resident tenant from April 1 through September 30.
- use shot larger than No. 4 or solid ball ammunition, except for .22 caliber or smaller rimfire during the bucks-only deer season in the four counties closed to the bucks-only season.
- hunt between 1/2 hour after sunset and 1/2 hour before sunrise with any firearm larger than .22 caliber rimfire, a shotgun using solid ball ammunition or shot shells larger than No. 4 shot.



Trapping Regulations

No traps shall be set before 8 a.m. on the first day of the season or either set or left set after 12 noon on the last day of the season.

All traps **MUST** be checked and tended daily.

Traps previously and legally set may be tended after 5 a.m. on Sunday, if the person so doing shall have no firearm greater than .22 caliber rimfire or a bow in possession.

Nonresidents must possess valid Class E or XXJ, and CS/LE licenses to trap.

Traps used for taking wildlife shall be marked with a durable plate or tag attached to the trap, trap chain or set bearing the owner's name and address.

A person who unintentionally traps and kills more than the season bag limit shall deliver excess animals to a conservation officer within 24 hours.

Trappers shall present beaver, bobcat and fisher pelts to a game checking station or DNR representative within 30 days after the close of the respective trapping season. A tag provided by the DNR shall be attached and remain attached to each beaver, bobcat and fisher pelt until it has been sold, tanned or mounted.

Foot snares are legal when the snare loop:

- (a) does not exceed 6½ inches in diameter.
- (b) is at ground level.
- (c) is horizontal to ground level.

Terrestrial body-gripping snares must have a relaxing-type lock system with a breaking point of 350 pounds or less or a stop with a minimum loop diameter of at least 2½ inches. Set snares shall not have a loop diameter average greater than 15 inches. All terrestrial body-gripping snares must be anchored at the trap site.

A person may not ship or transport any raw furs, pelts, or skins of wild furbearers outside of the state unless such shipment has a special shipping tag visibly attached. Shipping tags must be obtained from the DNR. One part shall be attached to the outside of the package or container and the other part completed and returned to the DNR within 24 hours of shipping furs out of state.

The dealer or buyer of raw furs, pelts, or skins of furbearers in this state shall have a license and shall submit to the Director a completed fur dealer transaction report as provided by the Director.

It is illegal to:

- have in possession an untagged beaver, bobcat, or fisher pelt or parts thereof, after 30 days following the close of the respective season.
- set deadfalls for taking wildlife.
- set traps with an open jaw spread of more than 6½ inches except as underwater sets for beaver.
- set traps or trapping devices in human foot trails or livestock paths.
- set conibear or mohawk type traps for terrestrial trapping, but they may be used in water sets.
- set spring pole snares.
- use exposed animal or bird carcasses or parts thereof to bait an animal to a trap set that is within 50 feet of the carcass. Animal or bird carcasses or parts thereof that are completely covered and concealed from sight may be used as a lure at the immediate trap site.
- trap without written permission of a landowner.
- trap within 15 feet of the waterline on the structure of any beaver house or burrow.
- disturb or destroy dams, houses or burrows of beavers while beaver trapping.
- take beaver, fisher, mink, or muskrat by any means other than by trap.
- use steel jaw traps with any teeth on or attached to them.
- set a trap, trapset or snare upon a tree, post or other natural or man-made object at any point more than three linear feet from the surface of the earth (whether such surface is water, soil or rock) measured at right angle from the surface to the trap or trapset. Traps may be set on natural earthen mounds, such as ant hills or muskrat houses, constructed without human assistance.
- set traps other than water sets in March.
- trap in state parks, in safety zones located in state forests and wildlife management areas, in Harpers Ferry NHP and on National Park Service land within the New River Gorge NR.
- trap on a state WMA without obtaining a permit from the district wildlife biologist



Archery Regulations -----

Nonresident bow hunters must possess a Class EE license, and Class CS/LE and DS stamps to hunt bear.

For bow fishing, a resident is required to have a fishing license; a nonresident is required to have a Class E or XXJ license, and a Class CS/LE stamp.

A bow may be substituted for a firearm during any season for which firearms are legal except during muzzleloading firearms deer seasons.

It is illegal to:

- have a gun and bow afield together, except that persons who have a concealed weapons permit may carry a concealed handgun for *self defense only*.
- hunt with a crossbow.
- hunt turkey, bear, deer or boar with arrows having less than two sharp cutting edges, measuring less than 3/4 of an inch in width.
- use an arrow with an explosive, drug-laced or poisoned head or shaft.
- have a bow in the woods during closed seasons on game animals and non-migratory game birds.
- use dogs while bow hunting for black bear except during the bear firearms season (exception is only for counties where dogs are legal).
- hunt with a locking device capable of holding a bow at full draw, except with a modified bow permit issued by the Director.
- bowhunt on state parks and wildlife refuges, Harpers Ferry NHP, and safety zones on state forests and wildlife management areas. All wildlife refuges are appropriately posted.

Tagging and Transporting -----

Refer to deer, bear, wild turkey, boar and trapping sections for specific tagging and transporting requirements.

No persons may transport or possess wildlife **killed by another hunter**, unless the wildlife or parts thereof is accompanied by a paper tag filled out legibly bearing the signature, address, date of kill, hunting license number (if required) and the official game checking tag number (if required) of the hunter who killed the wildlife. The tag shall also specify the species and quantity of wildlife.

Pistol Laws and Regulations -----

Individuals who possess a valid concealed carry permit may carry a concealed handgun while afield hunting, hiking, camping, fishing or in or on a motor vehicle for purposes of *self defense only*.

Only persons 21 years old or older are eligible for a Class A-1 license.

Only pistols having a barrel at least 4 inches in length are legal for hunting.

While hunting, the licensee shall carry the pistol outside his outer clothing, in an unconcealed and easily visible place.

A pistol may be used only during established hunting seasons. Only single-shot muzzleloading pistols of .38 caliber or larger are legal for deer during the muzzleloader season.

It is legal to hunt groundhogs in open fields with a pistol.

It is illegal to:

- take migratory game birds with a pistol.
- hunt between 1/2 hour after sunset and 1/2 hour before sunrise with a pistol larger than .22 caliber rimfire.
- hunt bear, deer, or wild boar with a pistol using a straight-walled case of less than .357 magnum cartridge or a bottle-necked case of less than .24 caliber.
- hunt bear, deer, or wild boar with a muzzleloading pistol of less than .38 caliber.

Dog Training -----

Persons training dogs shall not have a firearm or other implement for the taking of wildlife in their possession during closed seasons on wild animals and birds. Persons participating in the training of dogs must have a hunting license.

Residents may train dogs and hold field trials on wild animals and birds, except deer and wild turkeys, on private land with the landowner's written permission, or on public lands, at any time.

Nonresidents may train dogs during the legal small game hunting season, or if their state offers WV hunters reciprocal dog training privileges, they may train dogs on raccoons from August 15 through the end of the small game season. See additional information on bear dog training on page 28.



When Licenses or Permits are not Required -----

- a) Resident landowners or their resident children or their resident parents or resident tenants of such land, may hunt or trap on their own land without a license during open seasons (see definition of resident landowner privileges on page 7).
- b) Residents honorably discharged from the U.S. armed forces receiving total permanent service connected disability benefits or former prisoners of war as determined by the Veterans Administration or resident disabled veterans who qualify under West Virginia Code 17A-10-8 and are exempted from payment of a motor vehicle registration fee by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, may hunt or trap without a license during open seasons. Such individuals shall carry on their person an identification card issued by the Director. Additional licenses required to hunt: Class P; Class N; Class RG or RB; Class A-1.
- c) Ohio residents who carry valid Ohio hunting licenses may hunt waterfowl on the Ohio River and its embayments or tributaries to points identified by the Director or from the West Virginia banks of said river without obtaining West Virginia licenses, and West Virginia residents who carry valid West Virginia hunting licenses may hunt waterfowl on Ohio River embayments or tributaries to designated points in Ohio or from the river's banks in Ohio without obtaining Ohio licenses.

Ohio hunting laws apply to residents of Ohio and West Virginia while hunting or fishing from Ohio banks or in Ohio embayment areas. West Virginia hunting laws apply to residents of Ohio and West Virginia while hunting on the Ohio River proper or from West Virginia banks and embayment areas.
- d) Residents 65 years of age or older do not need a license to hunt or trap, but shall carry a WV driver's license or WV photo ID card issued by the Division of Motor Vehicles (see page 30). Residents who have not reached their 15th birthday may hunt without a license but they must be accompanied by a licensed adult (exceptions, see page 30).
- e) West Virginia residents on active duty in the U.S. armed forces while on military leave, may hunt or trap in season without obtaining a license. Leave papers shall be carried while hunting or trapping.
- f) Persons participating in field trials permitted by the Director shall not be required to have a hunting license.
- g) Persons under 16 years of age do not need a state or federal migratory waterfowl stamp.

Mandatory Hunter Education Requirement -----

No hunting license may be issued to a person born on or after January 1, 1975 unless the person presents to the license agent a certificate of satisfactory completion of a Hunter Education Course approved by the Hunter Education Association or the Director. Persons who purchase a lifetime hunting license before their 15th birthday must complete a certified hunter education course before using the license.

Hunter Education Classes Information:

1-800-243-9968 or **www.wvdnr.gov**

(Click on law enforcement.)

Point System for Hunting Violations -----

Persons found guilty of negligent shooting of humans or livestock will have their hunting licenses revoked for five years.

For bear hunting violation penalties see page 25.

Persons making false application for a license will have their license privileges suspended for one (1) year.

Points are assigned for other hunting violations:

- 10 points** use of spotlight with firearms or other implement.
- 6 points** illegal possession or sale of wildlife or illegally killing deer, boar, or turkey.
- 6 points** hunting from a motor vehicle.
- 4 points** all other hunting violations.

When a violator accumulates 10 or more hunting or fishing points combined, his/her licenses will be revoked for a period of two years.

Points will be removed on the second anniversary or upon restoration of the license.

Sunday Hunting -----

In any county where Sunday hunting *has not* been prohibited by local election, Sunday hunting is legal on private land only with written permission of the landowner. Hunting is prohibited on any Sunday preceding the Monday opening of a big game season (deer, turkey, boar or bear). Check with your county DNR officer or county clerk to see if Sunday hunting is legal in your county.



Wildlife Management Areas and State Forests -----

Rules and regulations governing hunting and trapping on state owned and leased lands are the same as on adjacent private lands except as follows:

- a) Trapping permit, available from District Wildlife Biologist, required on all areas.
- b) McClintic, Hillcrest and Green Bottom WMAs - Hunting only in accordance with special rules established for the area (see pages 2, 9 and 12).
- c) WMAs and state forests with camping areas require a permit and fee. (See regulations posted at each area.)
- d) Camping is lawful ONLY in designated areas.
- e) Use of ATVs and snowmobiles is prohibited. All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) means any motor vehicle designed for off-road use not subject to the vehicle registration requirements of Chapter 17A of the West Virginia Code.
- f) Driving a vehicle, ATV, or snowmobile so as to harass or chase wildlife is prohibited.
- g) Maximum speed limit for vehicles on WMAs and state forests is 30 miles per hour, unless otherwise posted. All traffic signs and directions must be observed.
- h) Driving a vehicle in a manner which creates a nuisance to other persons by repetitive or continuous cruising is prohibited.
- i) Class Q hunting facilities are available on some WMAs. Contact the District Wildlife Biologist for more information.
- j) Only portable tree stands may be used on public lands.

Definitions of Terms Used

Possession limit - game which is in any way under the hunter's control. The daily bag limit for raccoon may be possessed for each day the season is open. Example: the total of all game in a car, truck, home freezer, commercial food locker, or any other storage method or place.

Protected - no open season. Hunting at any time shall be illegal for protected wildlife.

Resident - a person who has been a domiciled resident continuously in West Virginia for 30 consecutive days or more immediately prior to the date of application for a license or permit. This includes members of the U.S. armed forces stationed outside the state who were West Virginia residents at the time of entry into the service and full-time students of a college or university of this state. Nonresident students of West Virginia colleges are not eligible to apply for Lifetime licenses. Absentee ownership of land in West Virginia does not constitute legal residence.

Nonresident - person who does not meet the requirements of a resident.

Resident landowner privileges - apply to West Virginia residents who own land in West Virginia, their resident children and parents, or resident tenants. Resident tenants must permanently live on the land.

Concurrent hunting - hunting of the same and/or other species during a legally prescribed season.

Big Game - black bear, deer, wild turkey and boar.

Hunt - to chase, catch or take wild birds or animals.

Permanently disabled in the lower extremities - a person permanently and totally disabled from the waist down who is unable to ambulate without the full-time use of a walker, two crutches or a wheelchair.

Bow - a longbow, recurve bow, or compound bow that is hand-drawn, hand-held and held at full draw without the aid of any mechanical device. Triggering devices or release aids are legal.

Modified bow - a longbow, recurve bow, or compound bow that has been modified to hold the bow at full draw to accommodate a physical impairment of the user.

Public lands - State or Federal lands owned, leased, licensed to or under the control of West Virginia DNR for wildlife management purposes.

Private lands - lands owned by an individual(s), partnership, heirship, club, organization or company and/or not qualifying as public land.

Bait - any feed or edible enticement.

Baiting - the direct or indirect placing or exposing of bait so as to attract or entice wildlife to an area where hunters are attempting to take them. An area is considered to be baited for 10 days after bait is removed.

Regulations Meeting Schedule -----

March 21, 2005

Ellenboro • Fairmont • Lewisburg • Martinsburg
Milton • Summersville

March 22, 2005

Elkins • Glen Dale • Logan • Moorefield • Parkersburg
Twin Falls Resort State Park



DEER

General Regulations

Resident Deer Hunting License Privileges with -----

Annual Class X and Class XJ, Lifetime Class A-L and AB-L, Class C, Military, Disabled Veteran, former POW, Senior Citizen and Underage: entitle a hunter to take one deer during the archery season, one antlered deer during the bucks-only season and one deer during the muzzleloader season.

Additional licenses must be purchased:

- To hunt an additional deer in deer firearm seasons: Class RG
- To archery hunt an additional deer: Class RB
- To hunt antlerless deer in antlerless season: Class N
- To hunt with a handgun: Class A-1

Resident Deer Hunting License Privileges with -----

Annual Class A and Class Q (must also have a Class CS): entitles the hunter to hunt one antlered deer during the bucks-only season.

Additional licenses must be purchased:

- To hunt an additional deer in deer firearm seasons: Class RG
- To archery hunt deer: Class U
- To archery hunt an additional deer: Class RB
- To muzzleloader hunt deer in muzzleloader season: Class V
- To hunt antlerless deer in antlerless season: Class N
- To hunt on national forest lands: Class I
- To hunt with a handgun: Class A-1

Resident Landowner Privileges

West Virginia resident landowners may hunt on their own land without obtaining a license. See definition of resident landowner privileges on page 7.

A resident landowner hunting on his/her own land without a license can take the same number of deer as a licensed hunter. *A hunter (licensee or landowner) **cannot** take more than the number of deer allowed in the respective seasons.*

*After killing a deer as a landowner, a person **cannot** take another deer by use of a license for which the privilege has already been used. EXAMPLE - if a landowner has a Class X or A license and kills a deer on his own land during a deer season, the landowner **cannot** use the Class X or A license to kill another deer. He/she can check the deer in as a landowner kill or on the Class X or A license. Either way, the Class X or A privilege has been used for that season.*

Nonresident License Privileges -----

Nonresidents ages 8 thru 14 who have satisfactorily completed a Hunter Education Course may purchase a Class XXJ license and a Class CS/LE license which entitles the holder to take one deer during the archery season, one antlered deer during the bucks-only season, and one deer during the muzzleloader season.

Additional licenses must be purchased:

- to hunt an additional deer in deer firearm seasons: Class RRG
- to archery hunt an additional deer: Class RRB
- to hunt antlerless deer in antlerless season: Class NN

All other nonresidents, regardless of age or landowner status, must purchase an annual Class E, and a Class CS/LE license which entitles the holder to hunt one antlered deer during the bucks-only season.

Additional licenses must be purchased:

- to hunt an additional deer in deer firearm seasons: Class RRG
- to archery hunt deer: Class UU
- to archery hunt an additional deer: Class RRB
- to muzzleloader hunt deer in muzzleloader season: Class VV
- to hunt antlerless deer in antlerless season: Class NN
- to hunt on national forest lands: Class I
- to hunt with a handgun: Class A-1



Firearms/Bows and Equipment -----

It is illegal to hunt deer with:

- a shotgun using ammunition loaded with more than one solid ball, or a rifle using rimfire ammunition of less than .25 caliber.
- a fully automatic rifle, shotgun or handgun.
- a handgun using a straight-walled case of less than .357 magnum cartridge or a bottle-necked case of less than .24 caliber.
- a muzzleloader of less than .38 caliber during the muzzleloader deer season.
- anything other than a bow or single-shot muzzleloading firearm on Green Bottom WMA.

Hunting Hours and Restrictions -----

After a person has killed his/her legal daily limit of deer, they may not participate further in hunting deer with either a bow or firearm the remainder of the day.

After killing the legal limit of deer, a hunter shall not be afield with any firearm with solid ball ammunition or shot shells containing larger than No. 4 shot unless legally hunting bear.

Field Tagging, Checking and Transporting -----

Each person killing a deer must, within one hour and before moving the carcass from where it was killed, complete and attach the game field tag supplied with his/her license. This tag must bear the hunter's name, address, hunting license number (if required) and the date, time and county of kill. The field tag must remain on the carcass until it is dressed for consumption.

The unskinned carcass or the fresh skin and head of each deer, shall be delivered to a conservation officer or an official checking station for checking and retagging:

- 1) before it is transported beyond the county adjacent to the county of kill,
- 2) within 72 hours from when it was killed or 24 hours from the close of the respective season, whichever comes first.

All deer killed in Logan, McDowell, Mingo or Wyoming counties shall be checked and retagged at an official game checking station in the four-county area within 24 hours of the time of kill. Deer killed outside these four counties may not be checked within the four-county area.

A hunter may not hunt deer until the day after any previously killed deer has been checked, except for that portion of the antlerless deer season during which two deer may be taken on the same day on private land provided the first deer has been legally checked.

Blaze Orange Requirement-

Persons hunting in counties or portions thereof where a deer **firearms** season is presently open shall wear a blaze orange outer garment of at least 400 square inches. This applies to counties or parts thereof with a special youth/Class Q deer hunt. This does not apply to waterfowl hunters and persons engaged in farming activities on their own land.

Common Violations -----

Following are the most common violations observed by Conservation Officers during the deer hunting seasons:

Hunting without license

Improper license

Making false application for license

Loaded gun in a vehicle

Failure to field tag deer

Illegal possession of wildlife

Hunting without permission

Exceeding the limits

Shooting at decoy deer

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Where permitted, the maximum annual bag limit (excluding special hunts - NRAO, Urban, Youth and Class Q) is 9 deer: 3 Archery, 1 Bucks-Only, 3 Antlerless, and 1 Muzzleloader Deer PLUS 1 Additional Bucks-Only or Antlerless or Muzzleloader Deer on a Class RG/RRG License.



County

(See page 12 for Public Land Regulations)

Barbour
Berkeley
Braxton
Brooke
Cabell
Calhoun
Doddridge
Fayette
(N & E of New R.
& E of Gauley R.)
Glimmer
Grant
Greenbrier
(private land)
Hampshire
Hancock
Hardy
Harrison
Jackson
Jefferson
Kanawha
(N of Elk R. & W
of Corridor G)
Lewis
Lincoln
Marion
Marshall

Archery

October 16 - December 31

Maximum season bag limit: 3
A **first either sex deer** must be taken on a valid base license or license combination, free license, underage or by a resident landowner hunting on his/her own land. **Two additional deer** (one must be antlerless) may be taken on Class RB or RRB licenses (one deer per license) or by a resident landowner using those privileges.

Bucks-Only Firearms

November 22 - December 4

Maximum season bag limit: 2
The **first antlered deer** must be taken on a valid base license or license combination, free license, underage or by a resident landowner hunting on his/her own land. **One additional antlered deer** may be taken on a Class RG or RRG license or by a resident landowner using that privilege. **Note concurrent Antlerless Season.**

Antlerless

Nov. 22 - Dec. 4 & Dec. 29-31: Private Land Only
December 6-11: Public and Private Land

Maximum season bag limit: 4
The **first antlerless deer** must be taken on a Class N or NN license or by a resident landowner hunting on his/her own land. **Two additional antlerless deer** may be taken on Class N or NN licenses (one deer per license) or by a resident landowner using that privilege. **One additional antlerless deer** may be taken by a properly licensed hunter using an unfilled Class RG or RRG license or by a resident landowner using that privilege. **Requires a valid base license or license combination, or free license plus a Class N, NN, RG or RRG license for each deer**, except for resident landowners hunting on their own land. **Two antlerless deer may be taken on the same day on private land only during the December 6-11 portion of the Antlerless Season, provided the first antlerless deer taken is checked before pursuing or taking a second antlerless deer.**

Muzzleloader

December 13 - 18

Maximum season bag limit: 2
A **first either sex deer** must be taken on a valid base license or license combination, free license, underage or by a resident landowner hunting on his/her own land. **One additional either sex deer** may be taken on an unfilled Class RG or RRG license or by a resident landowner using that privilege.

Greenbrier (public land)

Mercer
Monroe (public land)
Pendleton (public land)
Pocahontas (public land)
Preston (West of Cheat River)
Randolph
Raleigh
Tucker

Maximum season bag limit: 3

A **first either sex deer** must be taken on a valid base license or license combination, free license, underage or by a resident landowner hunting on his/her own land. **Two additional deer** (one must be antlerless) may be taken on Class RB or RRB licenses (one deer per license) or by a resident landowner using those privileges.

Maximum season bag limit: 2

The **first antlered deer** must be taken on a valid base license or license combination, free license, underage or by a resident landowner hunting on his/her own land. **One additional antlered deer** may be taken on a Class RG or RRG license or by a resident landowner using that privilege. **Note concurrent Antlerless Season.**

Maximum season bag limit: 1

One antlerless deer may be taken on a Class N or NN license or by a resident landowner hunting on his/her own land in each county. Requires a valid base license or license combination, or free license and a Class N or NN license, except for resident landowners hunting on their own land. Prior application for permit is not required.

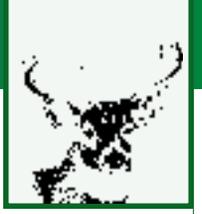
Maximum season bag limit: 1

One either sex deer may be taken on a valid base license or license combination, free license, underage or by a resident landowner hunting on his/her own land.

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Where permitted, the maximum annual bag limit (excluding special hunts - NRAO, Urban, Youth and Class Q) is 9 deer: 3 Archery, 1 Bucks-Only, 3 Antlerless, and 1 Muzzleloader Deer PLUS 1 Additional Bucks-Only or Antlerless or Muzzleloader Deer on a Class RG/RRG License.

County (See page 12 for Public Land Regulations)	Archery October 16 - December 31	Bucks-Only Firearms November 22 - December 4	Antlerless Nov. 22 - Dec. 4 & Dec. 29-31: Private Land Only December 6-11: Public and Private Land	Muzzleloader December 13 - 18
Boone Clay (N of Elk River) Nicholas Webster	Maximum season bag limit: 3 A first either sex deer must be taken on a valid base license or license combination, free license, underage or by a resident landowner hunting on his/her own land. Two additional deer (one must be antlerless) may be taken on Class RB or RRB licenses (one deer per license) or by a resident landowner using those privileges.	Maximum season bag limit: 2 The first antlered deer must be taken on a valid base license or license combination, free license, underage or by a resident landowner hunting on his/her own land. One additional antlered deer may be taken on a Class RG or RRG license or by a resident landowner using that privilege. Note concurrent Antlerless Season.	Maximum season bag limit: 1 Limited to West Virginia residents only and prior application for permit is required. One antlerless deer may be taken on a Class N license or by a resident landowner hunting on his/her own land. Requires a valid base license or license combination, or free license and a Class N license except for resident landowners hunting on their own land.	Maximum season bag limit: 1 One either sex deer may be taken on a valid base license or license combination, free license, underage or by a resident landowner hunting on his/her own land.
Clay (S of Elk River) Fayette (South and West of New River and South of Kanawha River) Kanawha (South of Elk River and East of Corridor G)	Maximum season bag limit: 2 A first either sex deer must be taken on a valid base license or license combination, free license, underage or by a resident landowner hunting on his/her own land. One additional either sex deer may be taken on a Class RB or RRB license or by a resident landowner using that privilege.	Maximum season bag limit: 2 The first antlered deer must be taken on a valid base license or license combination, free license, underage or by a resident landowner hunting on his/her own land. One additional antlered deer may be taken on a Class RG or RRG license or by a resident landowner using that privilege.	Maximum season bag limit: 1 One antlered deer may be taken on a valid base license or license combination, free license, underage or by a resident landowner hunting on his/her own land.	
Logan McDowell Mingo Wyoming	Maximum season bag limit: 2 Only one antlered deer may be taken per year. One deer may be taken on a valid base license, free license, underage, or by a resident landowner hunting on his/her own land and one deer may be taken on a class RB or RRB license or by a resident landowner using that privilege; OR if the hunter's first archery deer was taken in a county open to firearms deer hunting , two deer (one must be antlerless) may be taken on Class RB or RRB licenses (one per license) or by a resident landowner using those privileges.	Season Closed	Season Closed	Season Closed

2004 White-tailed Deer Hunting Seasons

Where permitted, the maximum annual bag limit (excluding special hunts - NRAO, Urban, Youth and Class Q) is 9 deer: 3 Archery, 1 Bucks-Only, 3 Antlerless, and 1 Muzzleloader Deer PLUS 1 Additional Bucks-Only or Antlerless or Muzzleloader Deer on a Class RG/RRG License.



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Wildlife Management Areas and Other Public Lands	Special Regulations
Hughes River WMA	All regulations, including the Antlerless Season length and bag limit, are the same as private land in the respective county where the WMAs are located.
McClintic WMA	All regulations, including the Antlerless Season length and bag limit, are the same as Mason County private land except: all antlered deer taken must have a minimum 14-inch outside spread.
Lewis Wetzel WMA	All regulations are the same as Wetzel County private land except: the Antlerless Season bag limit is one deer. The Muzzleloader Season bag limit is one either sex deer.
Amherst/Plymouth WMA Beech Fork WMA Big Ugly WMA Bluestone WMA Burnsville Lake WMA Chief Cornstalk WMA Cross Creek WMA East Lynn Lake WMA Elk River WMA Fork Creek WMA Stonocoal WMA Stonewall Jackson WMA	All regulations are the same as private land in the respective county where the WMAs are located except: the Antlerless Season is limited to West Virginia residents and is only six days, December 6 - 11. Prior application is required, and the season bag limit is one. The Muzzleloader Season bag limit is one either sex deer.
Hillcrest WMA	All regulations are the same as private land in Hancock County except: Bucks-Only Gun Season is closed. This is a Special Muzzleloader Bucks-Only deer season area from November 22 - December 4. All Muzzleloader Season license requirements apply and season bag limit is one. The Antlerless Season is limited to West Virginia residents and is only six days, December 6 - 11. Prior application is required and the season bag limit is one.
Wilson Cove Deer Study Area	All regulations are the same as private land in Hardy County except: Bucks-Only Gun Season is closed. This is a Special Muzzleloader Bucks-Only deer season area from November 22 - December 4. All Muzzleloader Season license requirements and bag limits apply. The Antlerless Season is only six days, December 6 - 11.
Wallback WMA Morris Creek WMA	All regulations are the same as private land in the respective counties where the WMAs are located except: the Archery Season bag limit is two deer. The Antlerless Season is closed. The Muzzleloader Season bag limit is one antlered deer.
Greenbrier (public lands) Monroe (public lands) Pocahontas (public lands) Pendleton (public lands)	All regulations are the same as private land in the respective counties where the public land is located except: the Antlerless Season is only six days, December 6 - 11, and the season bag limit is one. The Muzzleloader Season bag limit is one either sex deer.
Greenbottom WMA	All regulations are the same as private land in Cabell County except: deer may only be hunted with bows or muzzleloaders and the Antlerless Season is only six days, December 6 - 11.
All other WMAs and other Public Lands	All regulations are the same as private land in the respective counties where the WMAs and public lands are located except: the Antlerless Season is only six days, December 6 - 11.



Daily Bag Limit: 1

Opening Date: October 16

Closing Date: December 31

Three deer may be taken with a bow during the archery season -- the first deer must be taken on one of the following valid base licenses or license combinations: resident (Class X, Class XJ, Class AB-L, Class A-L, Classes A+CS+U, or Classes Q+CS+U); or a free license: Military, Disabled Veteran, former POW, or Senior Citizen; or nonresident (Classes XXJ+CS/LE or Classes E+CS/LE+UU). Underage residents and resident landowners (see page 7) may take a first archery deer without a license. Two additional deer may also be taken with Class RB or Class RRB licenses (one per license) or by resident landowners hunting on their own property. One of the deer taken on a Class RB or RRB license must be an antlerless deer.

Deer of either sex may be hunted statewide with a bow during the archery season. A bow may be substituted for a firearm during any deer firearms season except muzzleloader season.

It is illegal:

- to be afield with both gun and bow, or with a gun and any arrows, except that persons who have a concealed weapons permit may carry a concealed handgun for self-defense only.
- to hunt with a crossbow and/or have a crossbow afield.
- to hunt deer with arrows having less than two sharp cutting edges, measuring less than 3/4 of an inch in width.
- to use a bow-locking device, except with a modified bow permit issued by the Director.
- to use an arrow with an explosive, drug-laced or poisoned head or shaft.

Special Urban Deer Archery Season

A special archery deer hunting season is available between October 2 - December 31, 2004 to incorporated cities, towns, villages and homeowner associations. To implement the hunt, homeowner associations must submit a written request to the Director by March 1 of the hunt year. During this special season two deer may be taken which shall not apply to the regular archery season bag limit. For information regarding this special archery deer hunt contact your local municipal government, homeowner association or the appropriate DNR office.

Special Buck Harvest Restriction on McClintic WMA -----

All antlered deer taken during archery season on McClintic WMA must have a minimum outside antler spread of 14 inches (ear tip to ear tip).

Additional Deer Archery Licenses - Class RB and Class RRB -----

During a calendar year a resident may purchase only **two** class RB licenses and a nonresident may purchase only **two** Class RRB licenses. The Class RB or Class RRB archery licenses must be purchased before October 16, 2004, prior to the opening of archery season.

Only **one** deer may be taken with each Class RB or RRB license. Hunting on the Class RB or Class RRB licenses can begin on the day after legally checking the first deer. Class RB or RRB licenses cannot be used for taking deer with a firearm.

Two additional deer may be taken with Class RB or Class RRB licenses or by a landowner hunting on their own land during the archery season. One Class RB or Class RRB license or landowner license privilege must be used to take an antlerless deer.

There is an annual limit of two archery deer, one of which must be antlerless, for the four-county area of Logan, McDowell, Mingo and Wyoming counties. One Class RB or RRB license is valid in these counties, except if the first archery deer was taken in a county open to firearms deer hunting, then two deer (one must be antlerless) may be taken on Class RB or RRB licenses.

To take additional archery deer, all residents except resident landowners (see page 7) hunting on their land are required to purchase Class RB licenses. All nonresidents are required to purchase Class RRB archery licenses to take additional archery deer. (See license requirements on page 8.)

Concurrent Hunting During Deer Archery Season -----

A bow hunter may take small game at any time the small game season is open, except the first three days of bucks-only season or on the same day a deer was legally taken.

Archery hunting is legal during muzzleloader deer season but must be done under archery deer hunting regulations.

Archery hunters must wear a blaze orange outer garment of at least 400 square inches during any deer firearms seasons.



Concurrent Hunting During Bucks-Only Deer Season -----

*Antlerless deer hunting is legal on private land and Lewis Wetzel, McClintic and Hughes River WMAs during the bucks-only season (November 22 thru December 4), in 51 counties or portions thereof. To hunt antlerless deer during the bucks-only season, a valid Class N or NN license (antlerless permit) is required for all hunters, regardless of age, except for resident landowners (see page 7) hunting on their own land. Hunters may take **only one deer per day**, therefore, a buck and an antlerless deer may not be taken on the same day.*

All hunting, except for deer, is prohibited during the first three days of bucks-only season in all counties having a bucks-only season; provided, that hunting for waterfowl is legal on lakes, rivers, and waterways during the open waterfowl season, and hunting for bear is legal in specified counties. Small game hunting is legal beginning November 25, 2004. While hunting small game during the bucks-only season, No. 4 shot or smaller and slugs may be carried with a shotgun only if the hunter is legally hunting deer or bear.

A combination rifle-shotgun (over-under, etc.) is legal for deer hunting and concurrent small game hunting.

After killing the legal limit of deer, a hunter shall not be afield with any firearm with solid ball ammunition or shot shells containing larger than No. 4 shot unless legally hunting bear.

It is illegal to hunt small game during the bucks-only deer season with any centerfire rifle, with any rimfire rifle larger than .22 caliber, or with a shotgun using solid ball ammunition or shot larger than No. 4 in a county that is not open to bucks-only deer hunting.

Archery hunting for deer is legal during bucks-only season. A bow may be substituted for a firearm to take antlered deer, or if hunting on a Class N or NN license, antlerless deer may be taken during the bucks-only season on private land in specified counties (see pages 10-12).

All persons hunting during a deer firearms season, except those engaged in farming activities on their own land and waterfowl hunters, must wear at least 400 square inches of blaze orange as an outer garment.

Additional Deer Gun Licenses: Class RG and Class RRG -----

During a calendar year a resident may purchase only **one** Class RG license and a nonresident may purchase only **one** Class RRG license.

Only **one** deer may be taken with a Class RG or Class RRG license. The Class RG and Class RRG licenses must be purchased before November 22, 2004, prior to the opening of bucks-only season. The Class RG and Class RRG licenses are valid for buck hunting in all counties open to bucks-only season.

To take an additional deer, all residents except resident landowners (see page 7) while hunting on their own land are required to purchase a Class RG gun license. All nonresidents are required to purchase a Class RRG gun license if they choose to take an additional deer. (See license requirements on page 8.)

During the bucks-only season, hunting on the Class RG or Class RRG gun licenses can begin on the day after legally checking the first antlered deer. If used for antlerless deer, **the first antlerless deer must have been checked by using a valid Class N or NN license or as a landowner.**

A Class RG or Class RRG gun license not used in the bucks-only season is valid to take an *additional* deer in the antlerless (Class N) or muzzleloader seasons in specified counties. (See antlerless and muzzleloader sections).



Special Buck Harvest Restriction on McClintic WMA -----

All antlered deer taken during bucks-only season on McClintic WMA must have a minimum outside antler spread of 14 inches (ear tip to ear tip).

ATV use is prohibited on all Wildlife Management Areas, State Forests and National Forests in West Virginia.

Deer - Antlerless Hunting



DEER Antlerless Hunting

<p>Countries or Parts Thereof Open to Unlimited Resident Class N, Nonresident Class NN, Two (2) Additional Class N/NN and RG/RRG (Daily Bag Limit: 1*)</p> <p>November 22 - December 4 and December 29 - 31 (Private land only**)</p> <p>December 6 - 11 (Private and public land)</p>	<p>Countries or Parts Thereof and Wildlife Management Areas Open to Unlimited Resident Class N and Nonresident Class NN (Season Bag Limit: 1)</p> <p>November 22 - December 4 and December 29 - 31 (Private land only)</p> <p>December 6 - 11 (Private and public land)</p>	<p>Countries or Parts Thereof and Wildlife Management Areas and Number of Limited Resident Permits Available for Antlerless Season (Season Bag Limit: 1)</p> <p>November 22 - December 4 and December 29 - 31 (Private land only)</p> <p>December 6 - 11 (Private and public land)</p>	<p>Wildlife Management Areas</p> <p>December 6 - 11</p>
<p>Barbour Berkeley Braxton Brooke Cabell Calhoun Doddridge Fayette (North and East of New River and East of Gauley River) Gilmer Grant Greenbrier (private land) Hampshire Hancock Hardy Harrison Jackson Jefferson Kanawha (North of Elk River and West of Corridor G) Lewis Lincoln Marion</p>	<p>Marshall Mason Mineral Monongalia Monroe (private land) Morgan Ohio Pendleton (private land) Pleasants Pocahontas (private land) Preston (East of Cheat River) Putnam Ritchie Roane Summers Taylor Tyler Upshur Wayne Wetzel Wirt Wood</p>	<p>Boone Clay (Private land only, North of Elk River) Nicholas Webster</p>	<p>Amherst/Plymouth WMA (Putnam County) Beech Fork WMA (Wayne County) Big Ugly WMA (Lincoln County) Bluestone WMA (Summers/Mercer/Monroe Counties) Burnsville WMA (Braxton County) Chief Cornstalk WMA (Mason County) Cross Creek WMA (Brooke County) East Lynn Lake WMA (Wayne County) Elk River WMA (Braxton County) Fork Creek WMA (Boone County) Hillcrest WMA (Hancock County) Stonecoal WMA (Lewis/Upshur Counties) Stonewall Jackson WMA (Lewis County)</p>
<p>An antlerless deer is any deer having no antlers or having both antlers less than 3 inches long above the hairline.</p> <p>* A maximum of four antlerless deer may be taken (one per day, except that two antlerless deer may be taken on the same day, December 6 - 11, 2004, on private land only, provided that the first deer is legally checked prior to hunting a second deer). Three deer may be taken with Class N/NN licenses. One deer may also be taken with an unfilled Class RG or Class RRG gun license in a county open for its use in the antlerless season. See pages 10-12.</p> <p>**Includes Lewis's Wetzel, McClintic and Hughes River WMAs, however the season bag limit for Lewis Wetzel is one deer.</p>			



In all instances the first deer taken during the antlerless deer season or the portion of the antlerless deer season concurrent with bucks-only season must be taken on a Class N or NN license or as a landowner.

All West Virginia residents, regardless of age, must purchase a Class N license to hunt during the antlerless season with the following exceptions:

- Resident landowners (see page 7) may hunt antlerless deer on their land without a license provided the land is in a county or part thereof open to antlerless deer hunting.
- Resident landowners, their resident children or resident parents do not have to live on the property. However, a resident tenant must permanently live on the land.
- Resident stockholders of resident corporations formed for the primary purpose of hunting or fishing who own in fee no less than 1,000 acres may hunt antlerless deer on their own land, provided the land is in a county or part thereof open to antlerless deer hunting.

All non-residents, military personnel, senior citizens, Class Q, disabled veterans, former POWs and *underage* hunters must purchase a Class N or NN license to hunt antlerless deer.

Class N or NN licenses may be purchased at any license agent, county clerk's office, the DNR Offices in Charleston and Elkins, or on the DNR website.

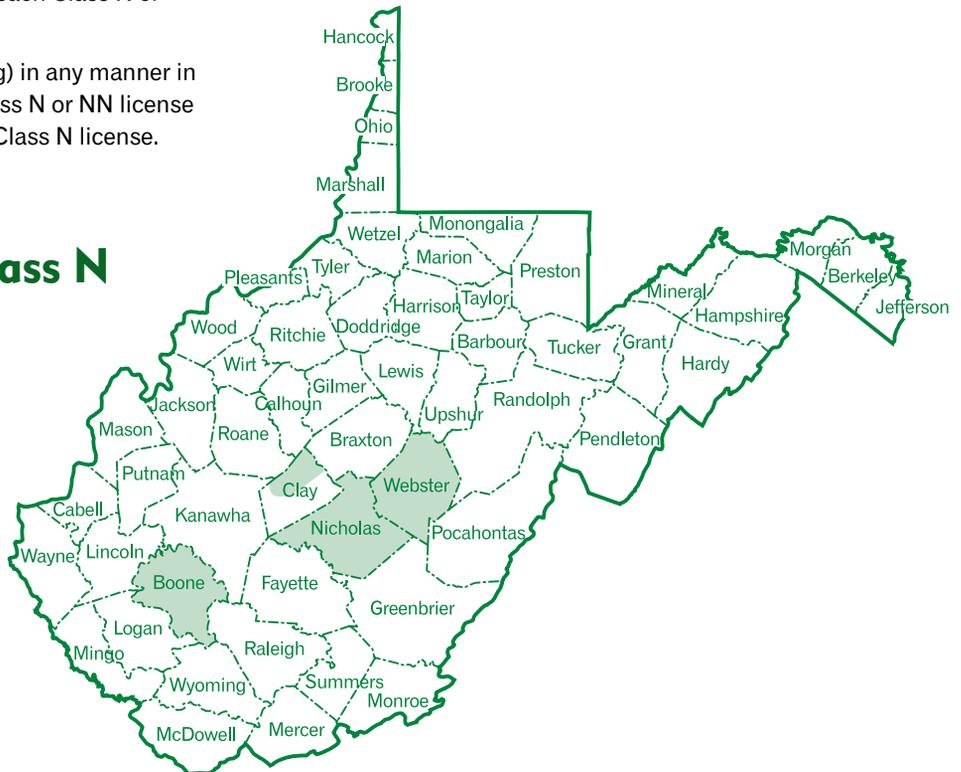
Class N or NN licenses are county specific and nontransferable.

Only one antlerless deer may be taken on each Class N or NN license.

No person may actively participate (driving) in any manner in hunting antlerless deer without a valid Class N or NN license or otherwise being exempt from having a Class N license.

Limited Resident Class N Antlerless Counties

 Counties open to limited licenses for resident Class N Antlerless Hunting



To apply, ask your license agent for an antlerless application or download one from the DNR website.

Submit by August 13, 2004.

Limited Resident Antlerless Deer Hunting -----

Four counties or parts thereof and 13 wildlife management areas (WMAs) have a limited number of Class N licenses for resident antlerless deer hunting. To be eligible to hunt in one of these counties or wildlife management areas an application must be submitted by August 13, 2004. Successful applicants will receive notification from the DNR by mail. Resident landowners (see page 7) may hunt on their own land in these counties or parts thereof without a permit. See page 16.

In limited resident antlerless counties or parts thereof and limited resident antlerless WMAs, a hunter may take only one deer in the antlerless season.

Unlimited Resident and Nonresident Antlerless Deer Hunting -----

Forty-seven counties or parts thereof have an unlimited number of Class N/NN licenses for resident and nonresident antlerless deer hunting. No application is necessary for these counties. (See page 12 for antlerless regulations on Wildlife Management Areas and other public lands.)



Counties with a Bag Limit of Three Class N or NN Deer and Counties for Use of Unfilled Class RG and RRG Licenses in Antlerless Season

There are 43 counties or parts thereof where a hunter can take additional antlerless deer during the antlerless season by purchasing additional Class N or NN licenses (see page 16).

Also, unfilled Class RG and RRG gun licenses may be used to take an additional antlerless deer during the Class N season in 43 specified counties or parts thereof (see page 16).

Deer hunting on the Class RG or RRG or the second (or third) Class N or NN license during the November 22 - December 4, 2004 and December 29 -31, 2004 portions of the antlerless

season can begin on the day after legally checking the first, second or third antlerless deer on a Class N or NN license or as a resident landowner (see page 7). Two antlerless deer may be taken on the same day during December 6 - 11, 2004, on private land only, provided the first deer is legally checked prior to hunting a second deer.

See page 12 for antlerless regulations on Wildlife Management Areas and other public lands.



Concurrent Hunting During the Antlerless Deer Season -----

During antlerless season (December 6 - 11, 2004 and December 29 - 31, 2004) concurrent hunting for small game and bear (where the season is open) is legal, however, no hunter except those legally hunting antlerless deer or bear shall be afield with a firearm with solid ball ammunition or shot shells containing larger than No. 4 shot.

Concurrent archery hunting is legal during the antlerless season subject to all archery deer hunting regulations. All persons hunting during deer firearms seasons (except those engaged in farming activities on their own land and waterfowl hunters) must wear at least 400 square inches of blaze orange as an outer garment.

Concurrent waterfowl hunting (See Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations) is legal.



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Special Split Youth and Class Q

November 6 and December 27- 28, 2004: Antlerless Deer Only



A special split deer season for youth and Class Q hunters will be held on *private land* in counties or parts thereof open to antlerless (Class N) deer hunting and on 28 specified Wildlife Management Areas which are listed below. Only one antlerless deer may be taken per day.

Youth hunters must:

- be at least 10 and no more than 14 years of age on opening day of the season,

and

- be accompanied by a licensed adult, at least 21 years of age, who must also wear 400 square inches of blaze orange, cannot carry a gun or a bow and must remain near enough to the youth to render advice and assistance. **All accompanying adult nonresidents must possess Class E + CS/LE licenses,**

and, if a non-resident

- possess Class XXJ + CS/LE licenses.

Resident Class Q hunters must possess Class Q+CS licenses.

Non-resident Class Q hunters must possess Class Q+E+CS/LE licenses.

The bag limit of one antlerless deer per day will *not* count towards the hunter's annual deer season bag limit. A class N license is *not* required. Each deer taken must be field tagged (see page 9) and checked at an official game checking station within 24 hours of the close of each portion of this special split season and before hunting an additional deer.

Youth and Class Q hunt participants and all other hunters hunting on private land or on any of the specified WMAs on the day of the special youth and Class Q deer hunt, with the exception of waterfowl hunters and persons engaged in farming activities on their own land, must wear at least 400 square inches of blaze orange as an outer garment.

Youth Squirrel Hunt -----

October 2, 2004

Youth hunters must be no more than 14 years of age and must be accompanied by a licensed adult 21 years of age or older. The accompanying adult cannot carry a gun or a bow and must remain near enough to the youth to render advice and assistance.

Wildlife Management Areas Open for a Special Split Youth and Class Q Deer Season

1. Allegheny (Mineral County)
2. Amherst/Plymouth (Putnam County)
3. Becky Creek (Randolph County)
4. Beech Fork (Cabell and Wayne counties)
5. Beury Mountain (Fayette County)
6. Bluestone (Summers, Mercer and Monroe counties)
7. Big Ugly (Lincoln County)
8. Burnsville (Braxton County)
9. Chief Cornstalk (Mason County)
10. Cross Creek (Brooke County)
11. Cranberry (Nicholas, Greenbrier and Webster counties)
12. East Lynn Lake (Wayne County)
13. Frozen Camp (Jackson County)
14. Handley (Pocahontas County)
15. Hughes River (Ritchie and Wirt counties)
16. Jug (Tyler County)
17. Lewis Wetzel (Wetzel County)
18. McClintic (Mason County)
19. Mill Creek (Cabell County)
20. Nathaniel Mountain (Hampshire County)
21. Pruntytown (Taylor County)
22. Shannondale (Jefferson County)
23. Short Mountain (Hampshire County)
24. Sleepy Creek (Berkeley and Morgan counties)
25. Snake Hill (Monongalia and Preston counties)
26. Stonewall Jackson (Lewis County)
27. Stumptown (Gilmer County)
28. Underwood (Marshall and Wetzel counties)



DEER Muzzleloader Hunting

Daily Bag Limit: 1 Opening Date: December 13 Closing Date: December 18

Muzzleloader deer hunting for antlered deer is legal in all counties open to bucks-only season. Deer of either sex may be taken with muzzleloaders in all counties or parts thereof open to the Class N season.

In all limited resident antlerless counties or parts thereof and limited resident Wildlife Management Areas a hunter may take only one deer in the muzzleloader season.

In the muzzleloader season, only single shot muzzleloaders, including "in-lines" of .38 caliber or larger are legal. A muzzleloader with telescopic sights is legal. A firearm that has been converted into a muzzleloader by use of a plug, or a double-barreled or swivel-barreled muzzleloader is illegal for deer hunting during the muzzleloader season.

When being transported in or on a vehicle, muzzleloaders will be considered unloaded when uncapped or when the priming charge is removed from the pan.

Two deer may be taken with a muzzleloader during the muzzleloader season -- the first deer must be taken on one of the following valid base licenses or license combinations: resident (Class X, Class XJ, Class AB-L, Class A-L, Classes A+CS+V, or Classes Q+CS+V); or a free license (Military, Disabled Veteran, former POW or Senior Citizen); or nonresident (Classes E+CS/LE+VV, or Classes XXJ+CS/LE). Underage residents and resident landowners (see page 7) may take a first muzzleloader deer without a license. A second deer may only be taken in specified counties with an unfilled Class RG or RRG license or by a resident landowner hunting on his/her own land who has not filled their RG privilege.

Use of Unfilled Class RG and Class RRG Licenses in Muzzleloader Season -----

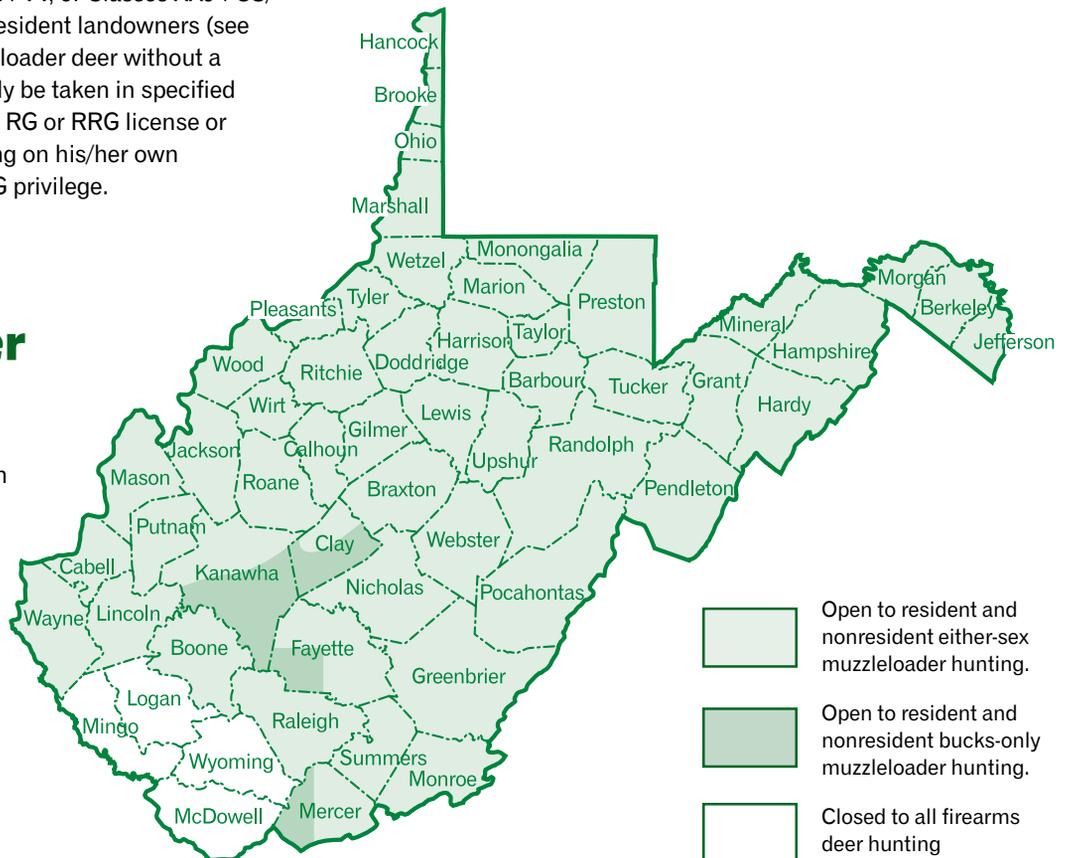
Unfilled Class RG and Class RRG licenses can be used to take an additional deer in the muzzleloader season in 43 counties or parts thereof (see page 10). See page 12 for muzzleloader regulations on Wildlife Management Areas and other public lands.

Deer hunting in the muzzleloader season on the Class RG or RRG gun license can begin on the day after legally checking the first muzzleloader deer.

In all instances, the first muzzleloader season deer must be taken on an appropriate license or as a landowner (see page 7) and legally checked before the Class RG or RRG license is legal (see page 10).

Muzzleloader Counties

Wyoming, McDowell, Logan and Mingo counties are closed to all firearms deer hunting.



Concurrent Hunting During the Muzzleloader Deer Season -----

A bow cannot be substituted for a muzzleloader during the muzzleloader season. Concurrent archery hunting is legal during the muzzleloader season subject to all archery deer hunting regulations, except archery hunters must wear at least 400 square inches of blaze orange as an outer garment.

Concurrent hunting is permitted during the muzzleloader season. Except for those persons legally hunting bear, it is illegal to be afield with solid ball ammunition or shot larger than No. 4 during the muzzleloader season.

It is legal to hunt small game with .22 caliber or smaller rimfire during the muzzleloader season.

Concurrent waterfowl hunting (See Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations) is legal.

Special Muzzleloader Buck Season

Wilson Cove Deer Study Area located in Hardy County on the George Washington National Forest and the **Hillcrest WMA**, located in Hancock County will have a bucks-only muzzleloader season November 22 - December 4, 2004. Only single shot muzzleloaders, including "in-lines", of .38 caliber or larger are legal. A muzzleloader with telescopic sights is legal. **These two areas will not be open to the traditional rifle bucks-only firearms season.** All muzzleloader **license** requirements apply. (See pages 8, 12 and 20.)



Special Buck Harvest Restriction on McClintic WMA -----

All antlered deer taken during muzzleloader season on McClintic WMA must have a minimum outside antler spread of 14 inches (ear tip to ear tip).

Share Your Harvest Sunday - November 7, 2004

The West Virginia Division of Natural Resources in conjunction with the West Virginia Council of Churches has designated **Sunday, November 7, 2004, as Share the Harvest Sunday.** Hunters are asked to encourage their churches to participate in this extremely worthwhile program. Participating churches ask each church member to donate \$1.00 to support the Hunters Helping the Hungry (HHH) program.

Since its inception in 1992, HHH has provided venison for over 515,900 meals to needy West Virginians. Your support, and that of your church will help keep this beneficial program alive and growing. Hunters may also contribute by paying part or all of their donated deer's processing costs. If hunters do not wish to donate their entire deer to HHH, they may ask their processor to set aside several pounds of ground venison for HHH.

If your church is unable to participate on November 7, a more convenient Sunday may be chosen.

Donations should be mailed to:

**HHH, Mountaineer Food Bank
180 Enterprise Drive
Gassaway, WV 26624**

For more information about HHH or Share the Harvest Sunday, contact Marshall Snedegar at (304) 558-2771.





TURKEY General Regulations

Resident and Nonresident Turkey Hunting License Privileges -----

Three wild turkey may be taken by hunters who possess one of the following valid base licenses or license combinations: resident (Class X, Class XJ, Class AB-L, Class A-L, Classes A+CS+W, or Classes Q+CS+W); or a free license (Military, Disabled Veteran, former POW or Senior Citizen); or nonresident (Classes E+CS/LE+WW or Classes XXJ+CS/LE). Underage residents and resident landowners (see page 7) may take three turkeys without a license. Two bearded turkeys may be taken in the spring and one of either sex in the fall. However, **no more than one** turkey may be taken in the fall.

Additional licenses must be purchased:

- to hunt on national forest lands: Class I (required for Classes A, Q, and E).
- to hunt with a handgun: Class A-1. (Must be age 21 or older, required for all hunters except resident landowners.)

Resident Landowner Privileges:

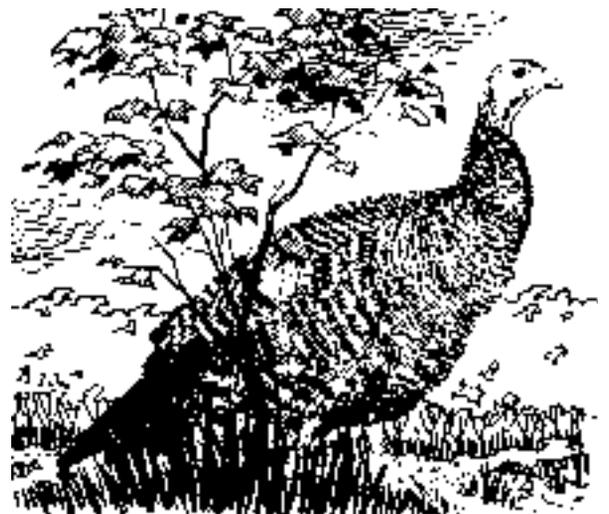
West Virginia resident landowners (see page 7) may hunt on their own land without obtaining a license.

Resident landowners hunting on their own property without a license can take the same number of turkeys as a licensed hunter. A hunter (licensee or landowner) *cannot* take more than the number of turkeys allowed in the respective seasons.

Field Tagging, Checking and Transporting -----

Each person killing a turkey must, within one hour and before moving the carcass from where it was killed, complete and attach the game field tag supplied with his or her license. This tag must bear the hunter's name, address, hunting license number (if required) and the date, time and county of kill. The field tag must remain on the carcass until it is dressed for consumption.

The carcass of each turkey shall be delivered to an official game checking station or a conservation officer for checking and retagging before it is either skinned or transported beyond the boundaries of the county adjacent to that in which the kill was made and within 72 hours from when it was killed or 24 hours from the close of the respective season, whichever comes first. The checking tag shall remain on the bird until it is dressed for consumption.



Common Violations -----

Following are the most common violations observed by Conservation Officers during the turkey hunting seasons:

- Hunting over bait**
- Hunting without license**
- Improper license**
- Making false application for license**
- Exceeding the limits**
- Loaded gun in a vehicle**
- Failure to field tag turkey**
- Illegal possession of wildlife**
- Hunting without permission**

Reward -----

Reward for information leading to arrest and conviction of person found guilty of:

- illegally killing a turkey -- \$200
- hunting turkey over bait -- \$100
- willfully destroying a turkey nest or eggs -- \$100

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TURKEY 2004 Fall Season



Only one turkey of either sex may be taken during the fall hunting season with either a bow or a gun.

It is illegal:

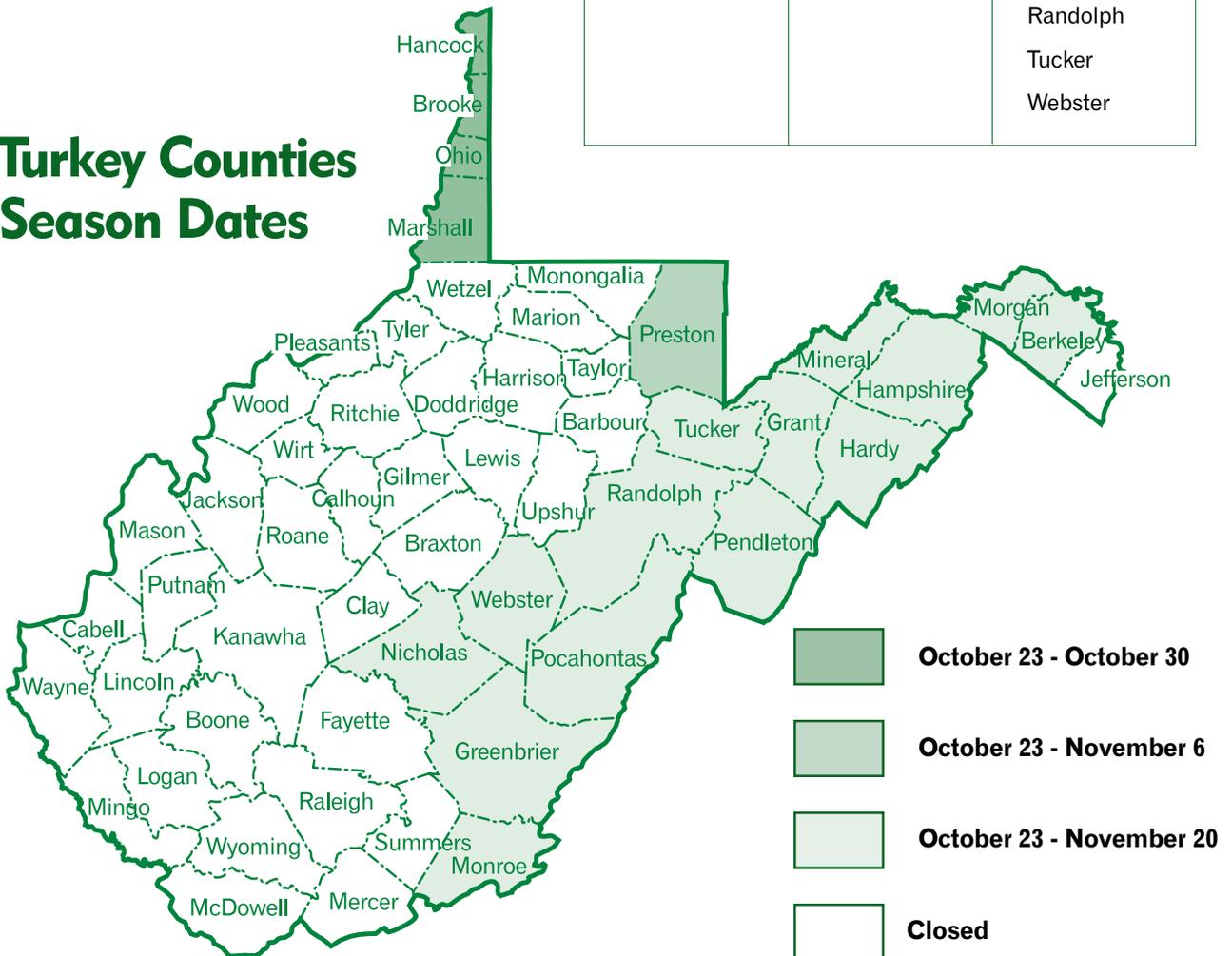
- to use electronic calls.
- to hunt with the use of bait.



Counties and Season Dates

October 23 - October 30	October 23 - November 6	October 23 - November 20
Brooke Hancock Marshall Ohio	Preston	Berkeley Grant Greenbrier Hampshire Hardy Mineral Monroe Morgan Nicholas Pendleton Pocahontas Randolph Tucker Webster

Fall Turkey Counties and Season Dates





TURKEY 2005 Spring Gobbler Hunting

Statewide: April 25 - May 21, 2005

The Division of Natural Resources conducts an annual Spring Gobbler Survey. Spring turkey hunters interested in participating in the survey should contact the following office:

Division of Natural Resources Operations Center
c/o James Pack
P.O. Box 67 • Elkins, WV 26241

(304) 637-0245 • email: jimpack@wvdnr.gov

Regulations -----

Shooting hours -- One-half hour before sunrise to 1 p.m.

It is illegal to:

- have an uncased firearm or a bow in your possession in the woods after 1 p.m.
- hunt with dogs
- use electronic calls
- hunt with the use of bait

Youth Spring Gobbler Hunt -----

A special one day youth spring gobbler hunt will be held on Saturday, April 23, 2005.

The bag limit is one bearded turkey and the harvested bird **will** count toward the hunter's annual bag limit. Only shotguns using shot size 4, 5 or 6 are legal.

Youth hunters must:

- be at least 10 and no more than 14 years of age on opening day of the season,

and

- be accompanied by a licensed adult, at least 21 years of age, who cannot carry a gun or a bow and must remain close enough to render advice and assistance.

and, if a non-resident

- possess Class XXJ + CS/LE licenses.

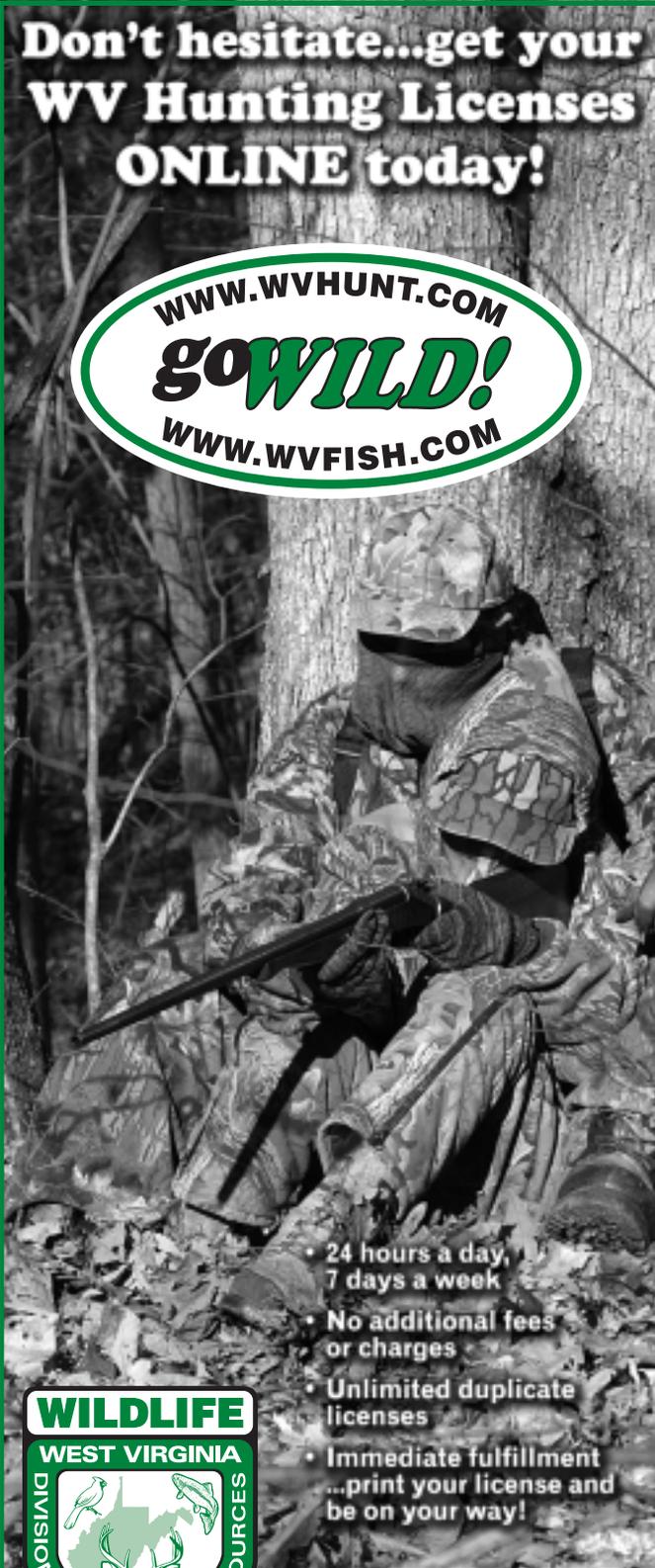
Non-resident adults accompanying youth hunters must possess Classes E+WW+CS/LE licenses.

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BEAR General Regulations

Season Limit: 1



Resident and Nonresident Bear Hunting License Privileges -----

To hunt black bear, hunters must possess one of the following valid license combinations: resident (Classes X+DS, Classes XJ+DS, Classes AB-L+DS, Classes A-L+DS, Classes A+CS+DS or Classes Q+CS+DS); or a free license (Military, Disabled Veteran, former POW or Senior Citizen); or nonresident (Classes EE+DS+CS/LE). Underage residents and resident landowners (see page 7) may hunt bear without a license.

Additional licenses must be purchased:

- To hunt on national forest lands: Class I (required for Classes A, Q and EE)
- To hunt with a handgun: Class A-1 (must be 21 or older, required for all hunters except resident landowners)

It is illegal to:

- hunt bears with the use of bait.
- feed bears.
- hunt a bear with
 - (a) a shotgun using ammunition loaded with more than one solid ball,
 - (b) a rifle of less than .25 caliber using rimfire ammunition
 - (c) a pistol or revolver using a straight-walled case of less than .357 magnum cartridge or a bottle-necked case of less than .24 caliber or
 - (d) a muzzleloading pistol of less than .38 caliber.
- hunt bear between 1/2 hour after sunset and 1/2 hour before sunrise.
- kill or attempt to kill any bear through the use of poison, explosives, snares, steel traps or deadfalls.
- shoot at or kill a cub bear weighing less than 100 pounds or to kill any bear accompanied by such cub.
- pursue a bear, after the chase has begun, with dogs not in use at the beginning of the hunt.
- kill more than one bear per year.
- organize for commercial purposes, or to professionally outfit a bear hunt, or to give or receive any consideration whatsoever or any donation in money, goods or services in connection with a bear hunt.
- for nonresidents to hunt bear with dogs, except in certain designated counties during the bear gun season.

Field Tagging, Checking and Transporting -----

Each person killing a bear must, within one hour and before moving the carcass from where it was killed, complete and attach the game field tag supplied with his/her license. This tag must bear the hunter's name, address, hunting license number (if required) and the date, time and county of kill. The field tag must remain on the carcass until it is dressed for consumption.

A person killing a bear must, within 24 hours after the kill, transport the bear or its fresh skin to a conservation officer or an official game checking station for retagging. A checking tag must be affixed to the bear before any part of it may be transported more than 75 miles from the point of kill, and shall remain on the skin until it is tanned or mounted.



Penalties For Chapter 20 Bear Law Violations -----

These penalties are not subject to suspension by the court.

1st Offense

\$1,000 to \$5,000 fine or 30 to 100 days in jail, or both. Also includes suspension of hunting and fishing licenses for two years.

2nd Offense

\$2,000 to \$7,000 fine or 30 days to one year in jail, or both. Also includes suspension of hunting and fishing licenses for life.

3rd Offense

FELONY -- \$5,000 to \$10,000 fine or 1 to 5 years in prison, or both.



BEAR

Archery Season

Opening Date: October 16

Closing Date: November 20

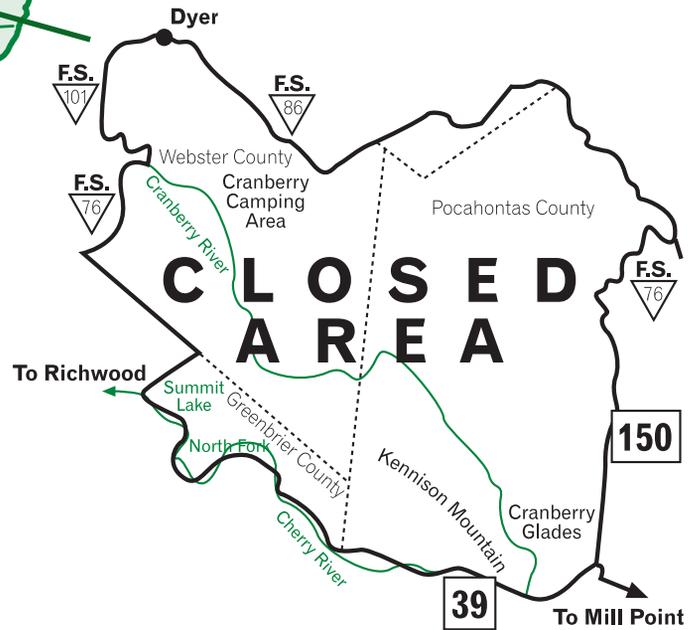
-  October 16 - November 20
-  Closed

The use of dogs while bow hunting for black bear is illegal during the bear archery season.



Cranberry Closed Area -----

The Cranberry Closed Area is bounded as follows: Starting at Dyer on Forest Service Route 86, the boundary proceeds along Forest Service Route 86 east to Forest Service Route 76 (The Black Mountain Road); the boundary follows Forest Service Route 76 south to the intersection with the Highland Scenic Highway (State Route 150); the line then follows State Route 150 to State Route 39. The southern boundary of the Closed Area follows State Route 39 to the Nicholas County line; then proceeds north following the Nicholas County line to Forest Service Route 76, it then follows Forest Service Route 76 north to Forest Service Route 101. The boundary then follows Forest Service Route 101 north to Dyer.



BEAR

Gun Season



Season Limit: 1

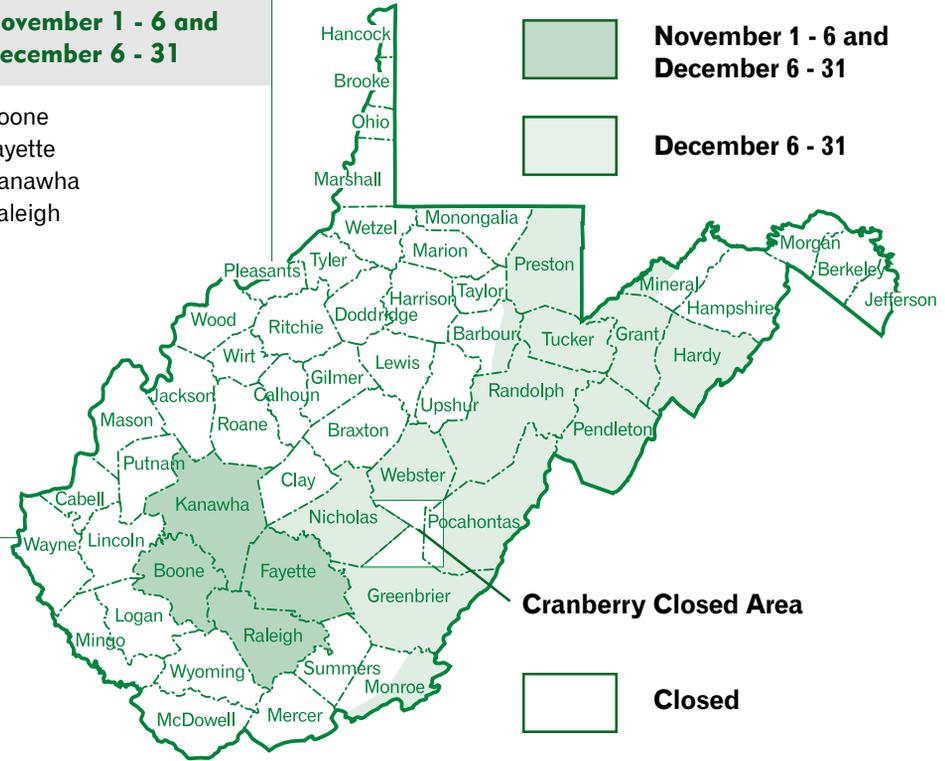
Can Use Dogs

December 6 - 31

Barbour (East of Route 92)
Grant
Greenbrier
Hardy
Mineral (West of New Creek)
Monroe (East of Route 219)
Nicholas
Pendleton
Pocahontas
Preston
Randolph
Tucker
Webster

**November 1 - 6 and
December 6 - 31**

Boone
Fayette
Kanawha
Raleigh



A bow may be substituted for a firearm during bear firearms season.

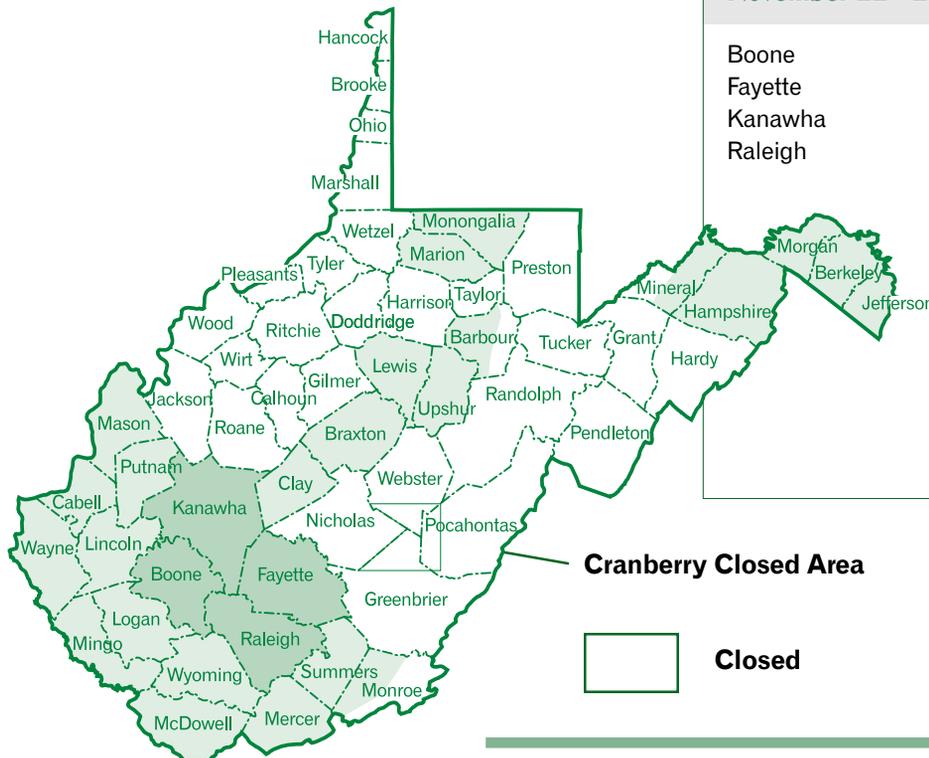
Cannot Use Dogs

November 22 - 27

Boone
Fayette
Kanawha
Raleigh

December 6 - 11

Barbour
McDowell
Fayette (West of Route 92)
Mercer
Berkeley
Mingo
Braxton
Mineral
Cabell (East of New Creek)
Monongalia
Clay
Monroe (West of Route 219)
Hampshire
Jefferson
Lewis
Morgan
Lincoln
Putnam
Logan
Summers
Marion
Upshur
Wayne
Mason
Wyoming





BEAR Dog Training Regulations

The same licenses required for bear hunting are required for the training of dogs on bear.

Training for nonresidents may begin October 9, 2004 and continue throughout small game season, ending February 28, 2005.

- *It is unlawful* for a person to permit a dog owned by him or under his control to chase, pursue or follow upon the track of any deer or wild turkey.
- Dogs may be trained on bears on private land with the landowner's written permission, or on public lands, at any time.
- Persons training dogs may not have firearms or other implements for the taking of wildlife in their possession during closed seasons on wild animals and birds.

Attention Bear Hunters-----

The Division of Natural Resources (DNR) is currently studying factors related to the productivity and mortality of black bears in West Virginia. As part of this research effort, radio collars, ear tags and lip tattoos have been placed on a number of bears. Anyone observing a bear wearing a radio collar or ear tag is asked to report the number of the tag (if obtainable) to the DNR. Hunters that harvest a bear with a radio collar and/or ear tag should return this equipment to the DNR.

Successful bear hunters can contribute to this research effort by allowing a tooth, the size of a kitchen match, to be pulled and submitted to the bear project. This will enable wildlife biologists to determine the bear's age. After processing the tooth, the DNR will provide you with the age of the animal.

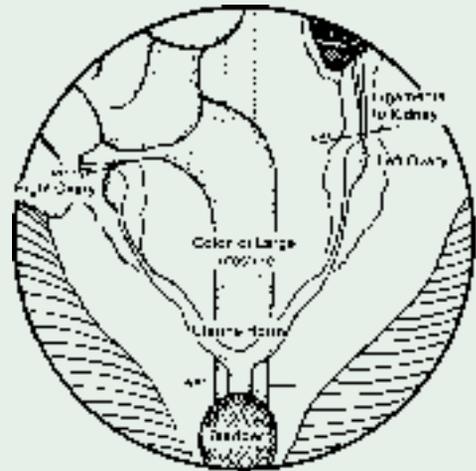
A tagged bear may have been tranquilized.
Please contact the District Wildlife Biologist prior to consumption of meat.



Bear Reproductive Tract Collection -----

WV Wildlife biologists are continuing to collect female bear reproductive tracts. Information from these tracts, as well as a premolar tooth from each bear will reveal such data as breeding ages of females, number of cubs produced, age structure of female population and reproductive success. Please help us obtain as much information as possible by following the outlined procedures. You may call any District DNR office or the Elkins Operations Center for assistance.

- Farmington: (304) 825-6787**
- Parkersburg: (304) 420-4550**
- Pt. Pleasant: (304) 675-0871**
- French Creek: (304) 924-6211**
- Romney: (304) 822-3551**
- Beckley: (304) 256-6947**
- Elkins Operations Center:
(304) 637-0245**



Procedures

1. Open bear abdominal cavity.
2. Move intestines aside.
3. Locate bladder.
4. Note uterus under bladder, over large intestine.
5. Remove uterus and ovaries by cutting as close to vulva as possible and above ovaries. Be certain to get both ovaries which are each about the size of an acorn. They may be buried in large amounts of fat.
6. Put in plastic bag and place in cool location (in refrigerator if available), and notify DNR personnel.
7. If scales are available, weigh the bear.

WILD BOAR 2004 Archery and Gun Season



Season Limit: 1

Residents only - no application required

Archery Season: October 16 - December 31

Gun Season: October 25 -30



Wild boar may be taken during the firearms wild boar season with a bow or with a firearm using ammunition legal in West Virginia for taking deer (see page 9).

A field tag must be completed and attached to the animal within one hour, or in any case prior to its removal from the site where it was killed.

All boar killed must be taken to an official game checking station or a conservation officer in the county of kill within 24 hours for retagging.

Use of dogs and/or bait is prohibited.

Shooting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.

Concurrent hunting of small game, using a shotgun or a bow, is permitted during wild boar seasons. Concurrent hunting of deer and bear, in counties where legal, is permitted during boar seasons.

Only one Class P stamp is needed for firearms and archery seasons. Any West Virginia Lifetime hunting license holder may purchase a Class P boar hunting license. A Class P license must be accompanied by a Class A, A-L, AB-L, X, XJ, Q, or free license to hunt boar.

Counties Open to Wild Boar Season

Boone • Logan • Raleigh • Wyoming



Valid Base Licenses or License Combinations

Hunter Type	Deer Archery	Deer Bucks-Only	Deer Antlerless	Deer Muzzleloader	Black Bear	Wild Turkey	Wild Boar
Resident**	A-L	A-L	A-L+N	A-L	A-L+DS	A-L	A-L+P
	AB-L	AB-L	AB-L+N	AB-L	AB-L+DS	AB-L	AB-L+P
	X	X	X+N	X	X+DS	X	X+P
	XJ	XJ	XJ+N	XJ	XJ+DS	XJ	XJ+P
	A+CS+U	A+CS	A+CS+N	A+CS+V	A+CS+DS	A+CS+W	A+CS+P
	Q+CS+U	Q+CS	Q+CS+N	Q+CS+V	Q+CS+DS	Q+CS+W	Q+CS+P
	Free License*	Free License*	Free License*+N	Free License*	Free License*	Free License*	Free License*+P
	one of the above + up to two RBs for additional deer in specified counties	one of the above + an RG for one additional deer in specified counties					
Nonresident**	E+CS/LE+UU	E+CS/LE	E+CS/LE+NN	E+CS/LE+WV	EE+CS/LE+DS	E+CS/LE+WV	CLOSED
	XXJ+CS/LE	XXJ+CS/LE	XXJ+CS/LE+NN	XXJ+CS/LE		XXJ+CS/LE	
	one of the above + up to two RRBs for additional deer in specified counties	one of the above + an RRG for one additional deer in specified counties					

*Free Licenses include: Military, Senior Citizen, former POW and Disabled Veteran.

** Handgun hunting also requires Class A-1 License

Residents under age 15 -----

may hunt or trap without a license when accompanied by a licensed adult.

Licenses required:

- to hunt antlerless deer: Class N
- to hunt additional deer: Class RG and/or RB
- to hunt boar: Class P

Residents 65 years of age or older -----

must carry a WV driver's license or photo ID card issued by the DMV to hunt, trap or fish.

Additional licenses required:

- to hunt antlerless deer: Class N
- to hunt additional deer: Class RG and/or RB
- to hunt with a pistol: Class A-1
- to hunt boar: Class P
- Federal Migratory Waterfowl Stamp
- to hunt waterfowl or migratory birds: free HIP card

License Fees for 2004-2005 Hunting Season

Hunting, trapping, and fishing licenses are good for the calendar year. You must buy new licenses at the beginning of each year.

Resident Licenses -----

Conservation Stamp (Class CS) - Required for all licensed hunters and anglers except holders of Class X, XJ, A-L, B-L and AB-L licenses	\$3
Hunting and Trapping License (Class A)	\$11
Sportsman Hunting/Trapping/Fishing License (Class X). For ages 18 through 64. Includes privileges of Conservation Stamp, National Forest stamp and Class U, Class V, and Class W licenses	\$25
Junior Sportsman Hunting/Trapping/Fishing License (Class XJ). Similar to Class X, but for ages 15-17	\$15
Antlerless Deer Hunting License (Class N). Must be accompanied by a Class A, A-L, AB-L, X, XJ, Q, or free license	\$8
Wild Boar Hunting License (Class P). Must be accompanied by A, A-L, AB-L, X, XJ, Q, or free license	\$5
Additional Deer Hunting Stamp (Class R). One (1) or two (2) for archery and one (1) for firearms - sold separately. Must be accompanied by a Class A, A-L, AB-L, X, XJ, Q, or free license	\$10
Archery Deer Hunting Stamp (Class U). Must be accompanied by a Class A or Q license	\$5
Muzzleloader Deer Hunting Stamp (Class V). Must be accompanied by a Class A or Q license	\$5
Turkey Hunting Stamp (Class W). Must be accompanied by a Class A or Q license	\$5
Fishing (Class B)	\$11

Nonresident Licenses -----

Conservation/Law Enforcement Stamp (Class CS/LE) - Required for all licensed hunters and anglers	\$10
Statewide Hunting /Trapping License (Class E)	\$100
Statewide Fishing (Class F)	\$30
Junior Sportsman Hunting/Trapping license (Class XXJ) (Ages 8-14)	\$15
Bear Hunting License (Class EE)	\$150
Small Game Hunting License (Class H) (Six days)	\$20
Antlerless Deer Hunting License (Class NN) - Must be accompanied by a Class E license	\$25
Additional Deer Stamp (Class RR) - One (1) or two (2) for archery and one (1) for firearms - sold separately. Must be accompanied by a Class E or XXJ license	\$30
Archery Deer Hunting Stamp (Class UU) - Must be accompanied by a Class E license	\$25
Muzzleloader Deer Hunting Stamp (Class VV) - Must be accompanied by a Class E license	\$25
Turkey Hunting Stamp (Class WW) - Must be accompanied by a Class E license	\$25
Commercial Small Game Shooting Preserve License (Class J) - available only at www.wvhunt.com	\$10

Lifetime Licenses -----

Resident lifetime hunting, trapping and fishing licenses serve in lieu of the equivalent annual license; applications are available at Division of Natural Resources offices and all license agents.	
Combination Hunting, Trapping and Fishing (Class AB-L)*	\$570
Combination Hunting, Trapping and Fishing - Infant (Class AB-L-I)*	\$285
Hunting and Trapping (Class A-L)*	\$425
Hunting and Trapping - Infant (Class A-L-I)*	\$213
Small Arms Hunting (Class A-1-L)*	\$ 75

*Class I, U, V, W Licenses and Conservation Stamp not required with the Class AB-L, A-L, A-L-I and AB-L-I Lifetime Licenses.

Resident and Nonresident Licenses -----

Bear Stamp (Class DS) - Required to hunt or chase bear. Bear Damage Stamp is to be accompanied by Class A, A-L, AB-L, EE, X, XJ or Q license	\$4
National Forest Hunting/Trapping/Fishing (Class I) - Required on National Forests in addition to a Class A, B, E, F, EE, H, Q, or K license	\$2
West Virginia Migratory Waterfowl Stamp (Class MW) - Required to hunt migratory waterfowl in addition to Class A, A-L, AB-L, E, H, X, Q, or XJ if age is 16 or older. Federal Waterfowl Stamp required	\$5
Migratory Bird Harvest Information Program (HIP) - Required of all licensed migratory bird hunters	FREE
Small Arms Hunting License (Class A-1) - for ages 21 or older. Must be accompanied by a Class A, A-L, AB-L, P, X, E, EE, H, J, Q, or free license	\$5

Purchasing a License -----

Licenses may be obtained as follows:

1. At over 400 retail agent locations throughout the state and all county clerks offices. (\$3 issuing fee for first purchase and \$1 for subsequent purchases)
2. At www.wvhunt.com. (Official DNR website - No issuing fee.)
3. Directly from the Hunting and Fishing License Unit by phoning (304) 558-2758. (No issuing fee.)

For additional information please contact the

Hunting and Fishing License Unit:

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State Capitol Complex, Building 3, Room 624
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Public Shooting Ranges in West Virginia

District 1 -----

1. Lewis Wetzel WMA

Outdoor range: 100-yard maximum backstop distance with six covered shooting benches.

Location: Wetzel County - four miles south of Jacksonburg on county Route 82.

2. Hillcrest WMA

Outdoor range: 100-yard maximum backstop distance with seven covered shooting benches.

Location: Hancock County - on county Route 14, approximately one mile north at intersection with county Road 18 (Gas Valley Road).

3. Moundsville

Indoor range: eight 50-foot shooting stations. Only .22 caliber rifles and handguns can be used. Handgun shooters must use only straight-walled cases and all-lead bullets.

Archery Range: 35-foot

Location: Marshall County - Moundsville on 12th Street, one mile east of state Route 2 in Valley Fork Park. The range is located in the large stone building in the park and is operated by the Moundsville Rifle and Pistol Club. Open to public during limited hours.

4. Pleasants Creek WMA

Outdoor range: 200-yard maximum backstop distance with eight covered shooting benches.

Location: Barbour County - six miles north of Phillipi on U.S. Route 119/250 and .75 miles east on county Route 10.

5. White Horse Center

Outdoor range: 100-yard maximum backstop distance with 10 covered shooting benches

Location: Barbour County - approximately 10 miles north of Buckhannon on state Route 20. The range is on Crouse Road (state Route 20/3) south of Peeltree and is under lease to the West Virginia Rifle and Pistol Association for development and operation.

District 2 -----

6. Sleepy Creek WMA

Outdoor range: 200-yard maximum backstop distance with eight covered shooting benches.

Location: Berkeley County - on Third Hill Mountain Road off county Route 826, 1.5 miles north of county Route 7/13.

7. Brandywine

Outdoor range: 100-yard maximum backstop distance with eight covered shooting benches.

Location: Shenandoah Wildlife Management Area in the George Washington National Forest. Can be reached by traveling 1.25 miles off U.S. Route 33 to U.S. Forest Service Route 151.

District 3 -----

8. Elk River WMA

Spruce Fork: outdoor range - 100-yard backstop with eight covered shooting benches

Location: Braxton County - five miles south of Sutton on old U.S. Route 19 and three miles east on county Route 17.

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9. Airport range:

175-yard maximum backstop distance with nine covered shooting benches.

Location: Braxton County - on state Route 15 across from the Braxton County Airport.

10. Stonewall Jackson Lake WMA

Sand Fork: 300-yard maximum backstop distance with ten covered shooting benches.

Location: Lewis County - just off U.S. Route 19, three miles east of Interstate 79 from exit 91.

11. Summersville Lake WMA

Archery range: 25-yard practice range

Location: Nicholas County - three miles south of Summersville on U.S. Route 19, on Long Point Road just past the Summersville Airport.

District 4 -----

12. Bluestone WMA

Outdoor range: 100-yard maximum backstop distance with six covered shooting benches.

Location: Summers County - county Route 33/2 at Indian Mills.

13. Panther State Forest

Outdoor range: 100-yard maximum backstop distance with five covered shooting benches.

Location: McDowell County - from the town of Panther take state Routes 3/1 and 3/2. The range is situated approximately 1.5 miles past park headquarters.

14. Plum Orchard Lake WMA

Outdoor range: 175-yard maximum backstop distance with six covered shooting benches.

Location: Fayette County - exit the West Virginia Turnpike (I-77) at the Pax or Mossy interchange and follow state Routes 23 and 23/1. To access from U.S. Route 19, take state Route 15 from Oak Hill to Mossy, then state Routes 23 and 23/1.

15. R.D. Bailey WMA

Outdoor range: 200-yard maximum backstop distance with six covered shooting benches.

Location: Wyoming County - on Moccasin Creek off state Route 97 about six miles east of U.S. Route 52 and two miles west of Baileysville.

16. Montgomery

Outdoor range: 100-yards with covered shelter with 8 benches and one bunker for rifles and pistols.

Location: Fayette County - Montgomery on Morris Drive

District 5 -----

17. Beech Fork WMA

Outdoor range: 100-yard maximum backstop distance with six covered shooting benches.

Location: Wayne County - on state Route 17 behind the WMA building on Miller's Fork.

18. Big Ugly WMA

Outdoor range: 100-yard maximum backstop distance

Location: Lincoln County - on Delta Route 11 above the office.

19. Chief Cornstalk WMA

Outdoor range: 200-yard maximum backstop distance with eight covered shooting benches.

Location: Mason County - on county Route 40 (Upper Nine-mile Road) off U.S. Route 35 near Beech Hill (follow the WMA signs).

20. Fork Creek WMA

Outdoor range: 100-yard maximum backstop distance with six covered shooting benches.

Location: Boone County - approximately three miles northwest of Nellis on county Route 802.

21. Kanawha State Forest

Outdoor range: 100-yard maximum backstop distance with two covered shooting benches.

Location: Kanawha County - seven miles south of Charleston on Davis Creek just off county Route 23.

22. McClintic WMA

Outdoor range: 100-yard maximum backstop distance with eight covered shooting benches.

Location: Mason County - north of Point Pleasant on state Route 62. Turn onto Potter's Creek Road (county Road 11) and drive 1.8 miles to the parking lot.

District 6 -----

23. Conaway Run Lake WMA

Outdoor range: 100-yard maximum backstop distance with four covered shooting benches.

Location: Tyler County - southeast of Middlebourne on county Route 18.

24. Wirt County

Outdoor range: 200-yard maximum backstop distance with five covered shooting benches.

Location: Wirt County - approximately .5 miles south of Elizabeth on county Route 1 (Tuckers Creek Road).

25. Frozen Camp WMA

Outdoor range: 200-yard maximum backstop distance with eight covered shooting benches.

Location: Jackson County - approximately seven miles east of Ripley on state Route 33. Then approximately 2.5 miles off Route 33 on county Route 28.

26. Glenville

Outdoor range: 100-yard maximum backstop distance with seven covered shooting benches.

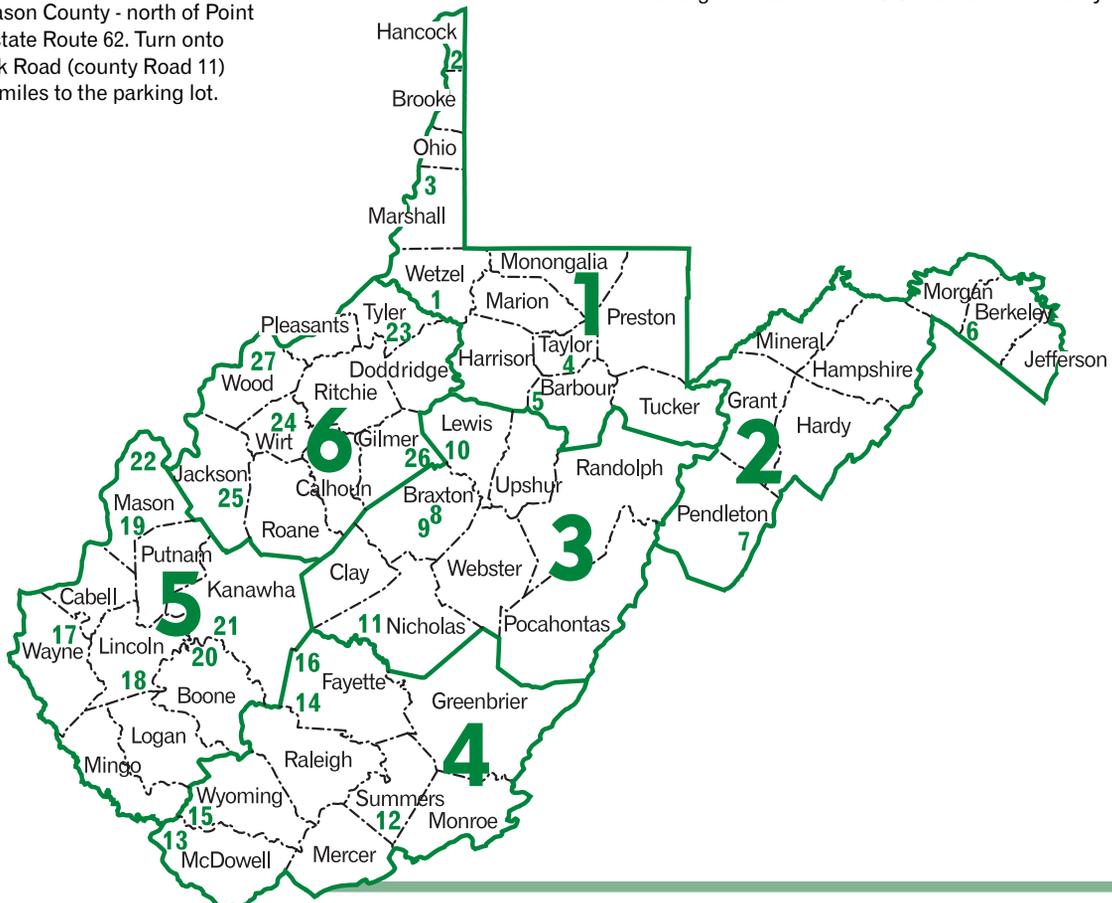
Pistol/rimfire range: 50-yard with eight covered shooting benches

Location: Gilmer County - one mile north of state Route 5 at Glenville on state Route 35/15 (Sycamore Run Road) near the Gilmer County Recreation Center.

27. Mountwood County Park

Outdoor range: 100-yard maximum backstop distance with four covered shooting benches.

Location: Wood County - approximately 12 miles east of Parkersburg. Accessible from U.S. Route 50 via county Route 5.



2003 Deer Harvest by Type of Season

County	Buck	Antlerless	Muzzleloader	Archery	Total	
Barbour	1,317	1,914	308	474	4,013	
Brooke	543	748	126	355	1,772	
Hancock	491	728	210	408	1,837	
Harrison	1,651	2,182	402	554	4,789	
Marion	1,346	1,716	286	482	3,830	
Marshall	1,778	2,045	402	451	4,676	
Monongalia	1,867	2,337	433	748	5,385	
Ohio	675	803	144	334	1,956	
Preston	2,561	4,192	516	1,279	8,548	
Taylor	816	1,188	231	277	2,512	
Tucker	932	773	257	540	2,502	
Wetzel	2,068	2,497	460	401	5,426	
District 1	Subtotal	16,045	21,123	3,775	6,303	47,246
Berkeley	984	1,019	166	438	2,607	
Grant	1,875	1,961	392	539	4,767	
Hampshire	2,726	2,908	399	480	6,513	
Hardy	2,565	2,565	430	642	6,202	
Jefferson	630	696	89	363	1,778	
Mineral	1,598	1,644	188	358	3,788	
Morgan	861	1,045	138	253	2,297	
Pendleton	1,808	1,567	268	440	4,083	
District 2	Subtotal	13,047	13,405	2,070	3,513	32,035
Braxton	1,796	3,033	549	604	5,982	
Clay	660	231	59	344	1,294	
Lewis	2,044	2,908	510	485	5,947	
Nicholas	1,401	915	513	1,094	3,923	
Pocahontas	1,570	1,459	324	485	3,838	
Randolph	2,023	2,261	600	1,208	6,092	
Upshur	1,461	2,696	326	637	5,120	
Webster	1,024	1,372	328	724	3,448	
District 3	Subtotal	11,979	14,875	3,209	5,581	35,644
Fayette	1,087	1,204	320	911	3,522	
Greenbrier	2,278	3,514	634	1,009	7,435	
McDowell	0	0	0	763	763	
Mercer	611	572	167	598	1,984	
Monroe	1,725	2,641	335	619	5,320	
Raleigh	753	886	202	666	2,507	
Summers	1,042	1,647	303	536	3,528	
Wyoming	0	0	0	605	605	
District 4	Subtotal	7,469	10,464	1,961	5,707	25,628
Boone	688	316	179	383	1,566	
Cabell	809	823	148	385	2,165	
Kanawha	1,336	1,565	286	787	3,974	
Lincoln	1,005	1,374	215	432	3,026	
Logan	0	0	0	675	675	
Mason	2,286	2,545	475	723	6,029	
Mingo	0	0	0	354	354	
Putnam	1,267	1,526	257	542	3,592	
Wayne	995	867	239	406	2,507	
District 5	Subtotal	8,386	9,016	1,799	4,687	23,888
Calhoun	1,212	1,360	198	256	3,026	
Doddridge	1,667	1,876	327	321	4,191	
Gilmer	1,388	1,692	324	254	3,658	
Jackson	2,178	2,636	429	588	5,831	
Pleasants	580	628	116	99	1,423	
Ritchie	2,275	2,953	516	510	6,254	
Roane	2,020	2,794	318	551	5,683	
Tyler	1,540	1,953	383	370	4,246	
Wirt	1,299	1,901	359	367	3,926	
Wood	2,016	2,389	488	683	5,576	
District 6	Subtotal	16,175	20,182	3,458	3,999	43,814
State Total	73,128	89,065	16,272	29,790	208,255	

2003 Bear and Spring & Fall Turkey Harvests

County	Black Bear - Archery	Black Bear - Gun	Turkey - Spring	Turkey - Fall
Barbour	25	6	221	Closed
Brooke	0	0	140	18
Hancock	0	0	128	9
Harrison	0	0	306	Closed
Marion	0	0	255	Closed
Marshall	0	0	363	16
Monongalia	4	0	351	30
Ohio	0	0	138	21
Preston	52	22	454	126
Taylor	1	0	156	Closed
Tucker	33	39	102	22
Wetzel	0	0	236	Closed
District 1	Subtotal	115	2,850	242
Berkeley	0	0	69	30
Grant	16	34	156	65
Hampshire	7	2	224	116
Hardy	22	32	172	89
Jefferson	1	0	33	Closed
Mineral	7	9	124	38
Morgan	2	0	81	20
Pendleton	18	56	133	63
District 2	Subtotal	73	992	421
Braxton	14	4	289	Closed
Clay	9	0	95	Closed
Lewis	1	1	375	Closed
Nicholas	73	117	199	81
Pocahontas	46	78	132	100
Randolph	133	89	204	81
Upshur	5	1	274	Closed
Webster	93	47	117	31
District 3	Subtotal	374	1,685	293
Fayette	36	83	309	Closed
Greenbrier	62	80	289	245
McDowell	7	2	220	Closed
Mercer	4	1	277	Closed
Monroe	11	3	170	184
Raleigh	15	64	294	Closed
Summers	2	0	254	Closed
Wyoming	12	0	237	Closed
District 4	Subtotal	149	2,050	429
Boone	17	71	173	Closed
Cabell	0	0	171	Closed
Kanawha	29	89	260	Closed
Lincoln	1	0	220	Closed
Logan	9	0	163	Closed
Mason	0	0	473	97
Mingo	2	0	95	Closed
Putnam	0	0	243	Closed
Wayne	0	0	238	Closed
District 5	Subtotal	58	2,036	97
Calhoun	1	0	189	Closed
Doddridge	0	0	245	Closed
Gilmer	1	0	224	Closed
Jackson	0	0	468	100
Pleasants	0	0	113	Closed
Ritchie	1	0	437	64
Roane	0	0	326	Closed
Tyler	0	0	246	38
Wirt	0	0	317	77
Wood	0	0	357	79
District 6	Subtotal	3	2,922	358
Unknown	0	6	0	1
State Total	772	936	12,535	1,841

WMA LISTING

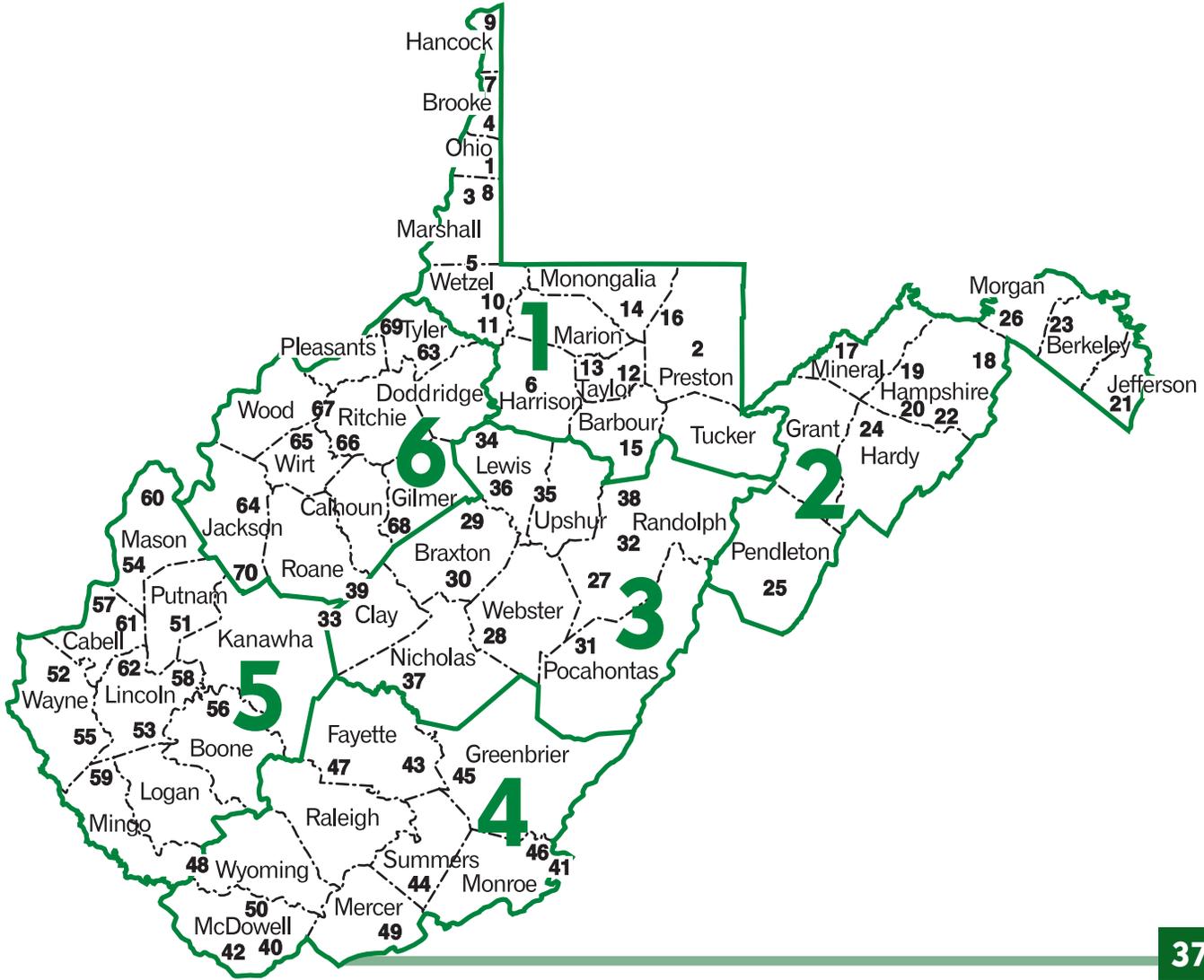
District	WMA	Acres	Class Q Road Access	Big Game	Small Game	Fishing Lake	Fishing Stream	Boating	Camping Tent	Trailer	Ownership	
1	WVDNR (304) 825-6787 1110 Railroad Street Farmington, WV 26571-0099	1. Bear Rocks Lake	242	•	•	•		•			WVDNR	
		2. Briery Mountain	1,162		•	•					WV Armory	
		3. Burches Run Lake	55	•	•	•					WVDNR	
		4. Castleman's Run Lake	486		•	•	•		•		WVDNR	
		5. Cecil H. Underwood	2,097		•	•		•			WVDNR	
		6. Center Branch	974		•	•					WVDNR	
		7. Cross Creek	2,080		•	•					WVDNR	
		8. Dunkard Fork	470	•	•	•	•		•		WCWC	
		9. Hillcrest	2,212		•	•					WVDNR	
		10. Lantz Farm and Preserve	548		•	•		•			WJU	
		11. Lewis Wetzel	13,590	•	•	•				•	•	WVDNR
		12. Pleasant Creek	2,976		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	WVDNR/COE
		13. Pruntytown State Farm	1,764		•	•						WVDOA
		14. Snake Hill	3,092		•	•						WVDNR
		15. Teter Creek Lake	137	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	WVDNR
		16. Upper Deckers Creek	56			•						WVDNR
2	WVDNR (304) 822-3551 1 Depot Street Romney, WV 26757	17. Allegheny	5,884	•	•	•	•				WVDNR	
		18. Edwards Run	397		•	•	•				WVDNR	
		19. Fort Mill Ridge	217		•	•		•			WVDNR	
		20. Nathaniel Mountain	10,675		•	•			•	•	WVDNR	
		21. Shannondale Springs	1,566		•	•		•	•		WVDNR	
		22. Short Mountain	8,005		•	•		•		•	•	WVDNR
		23. Sleepy Creek	22,928	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	WVDNR
		24. South Branch	1,097		•	•		•	•			WVDNR
		25. Thorn Creek	528		•	•		•				WVDNR
		26. Wildmeyer	422		•	•						WVDNR
3	WVDNR (304) 924-6211 Box 38 French Creek, WV 26218	27. Becky Creek	1,930		•	•			•		WVDOA	
		28. Big Ditch	388	•		•		•			WVDNR	
		29. Burnsville Lake	12,579	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	COE
		30. Elk River	18,225	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	WVDNR/COE
		31. Handley	784	•	•	•	•	•		•		WVDNR
		32. Huttonsville State Farm	2,720		•	•		•				WVDOA
		33. Morris Creek	9,874		•	•		•	•			TRUST
		34. Smoke Camp	252		•	•						WVDNR
		35. Stonecoal Lake	3,000	•	•	•	•		•			AEC
		36. Stonewall Jackson Lake	18,289	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	COE
		37. Summersville Lake	5,974	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	COE
		38. Valley Bend	31			•						WVDNR
		39. Wallback	11,757	•	•	•		•				WVDNR
4	WVDNR (304) 256-6947 2006 Robert C. Byrd Drive Beckley, WV 25801-8320	40. Anawalt	2,097		•	•	•				WVDNR	
		41. Andrew Rowan Farm	650		•	•					WVDOA	
		42. Berwind Lake	90				•		•		WVDNR	
		43. Beury Mountain	3,061		•	•					WVDNR	
		44. Bluestone Lake	18,019		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	COE
		45. Meadow River	2,504		•	•						WVDNR/DOH
		46. Moncove Lake	898		•	•	•		•	•	•	WVDNR
		47. Plum Orchard Lake	3,201		•	•	•		•	•	•	WVDNR
		48. R.D. Bailey Lake	17,280		•	•	•	•	•			COE
		49. Tate Lohr	576		•	•						WVDNR
		50. Tug Fork	2,165		•	•		•				WVDNR

WMA LISTING

District	WMA	Acres	Class Q Road Acces	Big Game	Small Game	Fishing Lake	Stream	Boating	Camping Tent	Trailer	Ownership
5	51. Amherst/Plymouth	7,061		•	•		•				Amherst Ind.
	52. Beech Fork Lake	7,531		•	•	•		•	•	•	WVDNR/COE
	53. Big Ugly	5,300		•	•						WVDNR
	54. Chief Cornstalk	11,772		•	•	•			•		WVDNR
	55. East Lynn Lake	22,928		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	WVDNR
	56. Fork Creek	7,000		•	•				•		CCC
	57. Green Bottom	1,096		•	•		•				WVDNR/COE
	58. Hilbert	289		•	•						WVDNR
	59. Laurel Lake	12,854		•	•	•					WVDNR/FLG
	60. McClintic	3,655		•	•	•			•		WVDNR
	61. Mill Creek	1,470		•	•						WVDNR
	62. Upper Mud River	1,725		•	•	•		•			LCC
6	63. Conway Run	630		•	•	•			•		WVDNR
	64. Frozen Camp	2,735		•	•	•		•			WVDNR
	65. Hughes River	10,000	•	•	•	•					Heartwood
	66. Ritchie Mines	2,300		•	•						WVDNR
	67. Sand Hill	967		•	•						CNGTC
	68. Stumptown	1,674		•	•		•				WVDNR
	69. The Jug	2,065		•	•		•		•		WVDNR
	70. Woodrum	1,700		•	•	•		•			WVDNR

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FOREST LANDS

	Forests	Acres	Class Q Road Access	Big Game	Small Game	Fishing Lake	Stream	Boating	Camping Tent	Trailer	Ownership
State	1. Cabwaylingo	8,123			•		•		•	•	WVDNR
	2. Calvin Price	10,812		•	•		•		•	•	WVDNR
	3. Camp Creek	5,897		•	•		•		•	•	WVDNR
	4. Coopers Rock	12,698		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	WVDNR
	5. Greenbrier	5,130		•	•				•	•	WVDNR
	6. Kanawha	9,250		•	•				•	•	WVDNR
	7. Kumbrabow	9,165		•	•		•		•		WVDNR
	8. Panther	11,087		•	•		•		•	•	WVDNR
	9. Seneca	11,681		•	•	•	•	•	•		WVDNR
National	10. Beaver Dam	37,674	•	•	•		•		•		USFS
	11. Blackwater	58,978	•	•	•		•		•	•	USFS
	12. Cheat	80,771		•	•		•		•		USFS
	13. Cranberry	158,147	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	USFS
	14. Little River	124,483		•	•	•	•	•	•		USFS
	15. Neola	104,741	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	USFS
	16. Otter Creek	68,782	•	•	•		•		•	•	USFS
	17. Potomac	139,786	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	USFS
	18. Rimel	67,613	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	USFS
	19. Tea Creek	67,919	•	•	•		•		•	•	USFS
	20. Shenandoah	49,106		•	•	•		•	•	•	USFS
	21. Wardensville	55,327		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	USFS
	22. Potts Creek	18,526		•	•		•				USFS

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