

# DEER – Special Split Youth, Class Q/QQ and Class XS Season

October 20 and December 26-27, 2012: Antlerless Deer Only

Only one antlerless deer may be taken per day.

*See page 12 for special regulations for West Virginia Containment Area carcass transport and baiting, and for baiting and feeding wildlife on Older-aged Deer Management Areas.*

It is illegal to bait or feed any wildlife on public land between September 1 and December 31 and during the spring gobbler seasons.

The special split antlerless deer season for youth, Class Q/QQ and Class XS hunters will be held on private land in all counties having a firearms deer hunting season and on all public lands within these counties (see pages 34 and 35).

The bag limit of one antlerless deer per day will not count towards the hunter's annual deer season bag limit. A Class N or NN stamp is not required by youth hunters age 8-14. A Class N or NN stamp is required by youth hunters age 15-17. A Class N stamp is not required by seniors with a Class XS license. Each deer taken must be field tagged (see page 12) 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, Class Q/QQ and Class XS season participants and all other hunters hunting on private land or on any of the public lands (see pages 34 and 35) during the special youth, Class Q/QQ and Class XS deer season, 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 hunters:

- must be at least 8 and less than 18 years old; youth hunters age 15-17 must comply with all licensing requirements (see page 41),
- youth hunters (age 8-14) must be accompanied by a licensed adult, 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 a Class E license + CS/LE stamp.**

**and, if a nonresident youth,**

- possess Class XXJ license + CS/LE stamp or Class DT license.

## Senior hunters:

- must be a resident 65 years of age or older and possess a Class XS license.

## Class Q or QQ hunters must possess:

**if a resident,**

- Class Q permit plus one of the following:
  - » Class A license + CS stamp or
  - » Class X, XJ, XS, A-L or AB-L license or
  - » Free license (Military, Disabled Veteran, former POW or Senior Citizen, Class DT) or
  - » Be underage (must be accompanied by a licensed adult)

**if a nonresident,**

- Class QQ permit + Class E license + CS/LE stamp or
- Class QQ permit + Class XXJ + CS/LE stamp or
- Class QQ permit + Class DT

## YOUTH WATERFOWL SEASON

A youth waterfowl season will be held in late September. See WV Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations available the end of August for details.

## YOUTH TURKEY SEASON APRIL 20, 2013

see page 33.

## YOUTH SMALL GAME SEASON SEPTEMBER 29, 2012

Youth hunters under the age of 15 must be accompanied by a licensed adult. The accompanying adult cannot carry a gun or a bow and must remain near enough to the youth to render advice and assistance. Youth hunters age 15-17 must comply with all licensing requirements (see page 41). Daily bag limits for this season are the same as the daily bag limits for the statewide small game seasons (see page 2). Only those small game species which have a legal hunting season, excluding migratory game birds, may be taken during this one day season.