DEER – Antlerless Season

An antlerless deer is any deer having no antlers or having no antler greater than three inches long above the hairline. The maximum annual bag limit in a county or any legal combination of counties is three Class N or NN antlerless deer.

Counties* or parts thereof open to Unlimited Resident Class N, Nonresident Class NN and Two Additional Class N or NN

Three (3) Class N or NN deer may be taken in each county, not to exceed an annual statewide bag limit of three (3) Class N or NN deer.

October 24-26 (Private Land Only)

November 25 – December 7, December 19-21 and December 28-31 (Private and Public Land**)

Berkeley
Brooke
Hampshire
Hancock
Hardy
Harrison
Jackson
Jefferson
Lewis
Marion
Marshall
Mason
Mineral
Monongalia
Monroe
Morgan
Ohio
Putnam
Ritchie
Tyler
Wetzel
Wirt
Wood

***In these counties, archery hunters are required to take an antlerless deer during the archery season prior to harvesting a second antlered deer during the archery season. In addition, buck firearms season hunters are required to take an antlerless deer during the antlerless deer gun season prior to harvesting a second antlered deer during the buck firearms season.**

Counties or parts thereof open to Unlimited Resident Class N and Nonresident Class NN and Two Additional Class N or NN

Three (3) Class N or NN deer may be taken in each county, not to exceed an annual statewide bag limit of three (3) Class N or NN deer.

October 24-26 (Private Land Only)

November 25 – December 7, December 19-21 and December 28-31 (Private and Public Land**)

Barbour
Cabell
Calhoun
Doddridge
Gilmer
Grant
Greenbrier
(South Portion, see map on page 23)
Pendleton
(East Portion, see map on page 22)
Pleasants
Preston
Roane
Taylor
Upshur

Counties or parts thereof open to Unlimited Resident Class N and Nonresident Class NN

One (1) Class N or NN deer may be taken in each county, not to exceed an annual statewide bag limit of three (3) Class N or NN deer.

October 24-26 (Private Land Only)

November 25 - December 7, December 19-21 and December 28-31 (Private and Public Land**)

Braxton
Kanawha
(North Portion, see page 23)
Lincoln
Randolph
Summers
Tucker
Wayne
(North Portion, see map on page 23)

Counties or parts thereof, State Forests and Wildlife Management Areas open to Limited Resident Class N or Nonresident Class NN (Must Apply)

Only one (1) Class N or Class NN antlerless deer may be taken in this group of counties and WMAs.

October 24-26 (Private Land Only)

November 25 - December 7, December 19-21 and December 28-31 (Private and Public Land**)

Counties or Parts Thereof

Boone	400
Clay *(North Portion - north of Elk River)*	350
Fayette *(East Portion – see map on page 22)*	200
Greenbrier *(North Portion - see map on page 23)*	200
Mercer	400
Nicholas *(East Portion - east of Route 19)*	250
Pendleton *(West Portion - see map on page 22)*	150
Pocahontas	400
Raleigh *(East Portion - see map on page 22)*	200
Webster	250

Wildlife Management Areas and State Forests

Beaver Dam *(Randolph County)*	150
Blackwater *(Preston/Tucker Counties)*	150
Calvin Price State Forest *(Pocahontas County)*	50
Elk River *(Braxton County)*	250
Greenbrier State Forest *(Greenbrier County)*	50
Huttonsville State Farm *(Randolph County)*	50
Kumbrabow State Forest *(Randolph County)*	50
Little Canaan *(Tucker County)*	50
Little River *(Pocahontas County)*	150
Potomac *(Grant/Pendleton/Randolph/Tucker Counties)*	200

Counties not listed in the table are closed to firearms antlerless hunting.

**See pages 16-17 for exceptions and special regulations regarding antlerless season on WMAs and other public lands.

All antlerless deer taken during the antlerless deer season or the portion of the antlerless deer season concurrent with buck firearms season must be taken on a Class N or NN stamp, Class DT license or as a landowner. See exception for concurrent archery hunting on page 25.

All West Virginia residents must purchase a Class N stamp to hunt during the antlerless season with the following exceptions:

- Resident landowners (see page 10) 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.
- Residents or nonresidents who hold Class DT licenses are not required to purchase Class N or NN stamps but must abide by all other antlerless regulations.

All nonresidents, military personnel, senior citizens, Class Q and QQ, Class XS, disabled veterans, former POWs and underage hunters not exempted must purchase a Class N or NN stamp to hunt antlerless deer during the antlerless season.

Class N or NN stamps may be purchased at any license agent, designated county clerk's office, the DNR offices in Charleston and Elkins, or on the DNR Web site (see page 41).

Class N or NN stamps are nontransferable. Class N or NN stamps are not county specific, but in limited resident counties, State Forests or WMAs, the Class N stamp must be accompanied by a valid eligibility card.

During the antlerless season, a Class N or NN stamp holder may substitute a bow for a firearm to take antlerless deer.

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

A hunter may harvest two deer on the same day, but only one antlered buck may be harvested on the same day. The first deer does not have to be legally checked by a Natural Resources Police officer or at an official checking station prior to harvesting the second deer in the same day. However, all deer legally harvested must be checked by a Natural Resources Police officer or at an official checking station for retagging prior to hunting during a subsequent day.

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

November 3, 2013

Share Your Harvest Sunday

Designated annually by the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources, Wildlife Resources Section, in conjunction with the West Virginia Council of Churches, Share Your Harvest Sunday helps support and keep the Hunters Helping the Hungry (HHH) Program alive and growing.

HHH is a charitable program that provides high quality meat for meals to needy West Virginians. Hunter donated deer are processed into ground venison and distributed to charitable agencies who help feed West Virginia's less fortunate.

Hunters are asked to encourage their churches to participate by asking each member of the congregation to donate $1, $5 or whatever you can afford, during a special Sunday collection for the HHH Program. The donations are collected by the DNR to help Mountaineer Food Bank of Gassaway, WV, pay for meat processing and distribution costs associated with the HHH Program.

Since its inception in 1992, HHH has provided venison for more than 1.1 million meals to needy West Virginians.

WEST VIRGINIA Hunters Helping the Hungry

Congregations unable to participate on November 3, may choose a more convenient time.

Mail donations to:
Hunters Helping the Hungry
WVDNR Wildlife Resources
324 4th Avenue
South Charleston, WV 25303

For more information contact
Gene Thorn at 304.924.6211 or
Eugene.R.Thorn@wv.gov

or visit
www.wvdnr.gov

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GK VF The Greater Kanawha Valley Foundation

DEER – Antlerless Season

COUNTIES WITH A BAG LIMIT OF THREE CLASS N OR NN DEER IN ANTLERLESS SEASON AND COUNTIES WITH A BAG LIMIT OF THREE CLASS N OR NN DEER WITH SPECIAL REGULATIONS

Counties with a bag limit of three Class N or NN deer in antlerless season having a special regulation

There are 23 counties where a hunter may take three antlerless deer during the antlerless season by purchasing multiple Class N or NN stamps (see pages 13 and 18). Hunters may take up to three antlerless (Class N or NN) deer in each county not to exceed the bag limit specified in each county and not to exceed the annual statewide bag limit of three antlerless (Class N or NN) deer. **In these counties, archery hunters are required to take an antlerless deer during the archery season prior to harvesting a second antlered deer during the archery deer season. In addition, buck firearms season hunters are required to take an antlerless deer during the antlerless deer firearms season prior to harvesting a second antlered deer during the buck firearms season.** See pages 16-17 for antlerless regulations on WMAs and other public lands.

Counties with a bag limit of three Class N or NN deer in antlerless season

There are 13 counties or parts thereof where a hunter may take three antlerless deer during the antlerless season by purchasing multiple Class N or NN stamps (see pages 13 and 18). Hunters may take up to three antlerless (Class N or NN) deer in each county or part thereof not to exceed the bag limit specified in each county or part thereof and not to exceed the annual statewide bag limit of three antlerless (Class N or NN) deer. See pages 16-17 for antlerless regulations on WMAs and other public lands.

Unlimited Resident and Nonresident with special regulation: bag limit of three

Unlimited Resident and Nonresident: bag limit of three

WEST VIRGINIA CWD CONTAINMENT AREA

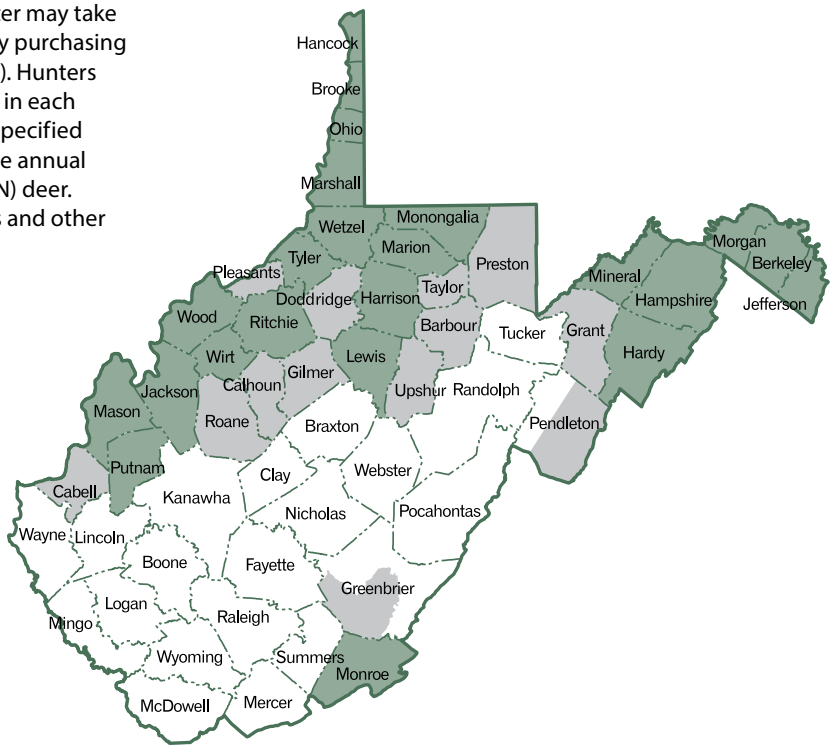
See page 12 for special regulations regarding deer carcass transport and baiting and feeding of wildlife within Hampshire and portions of Hardy and Morgan counties.

CONCURRENT HUNTING DURING THE ANTLERLESS DEER SEASON

During antlerless season, concurrent hunting for small game (except during the first three days of the buck firearms season) 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, except for waterfowl hunters using nontoxic shot.

Concurrent archery hunting for antlered and antlerless deer 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.

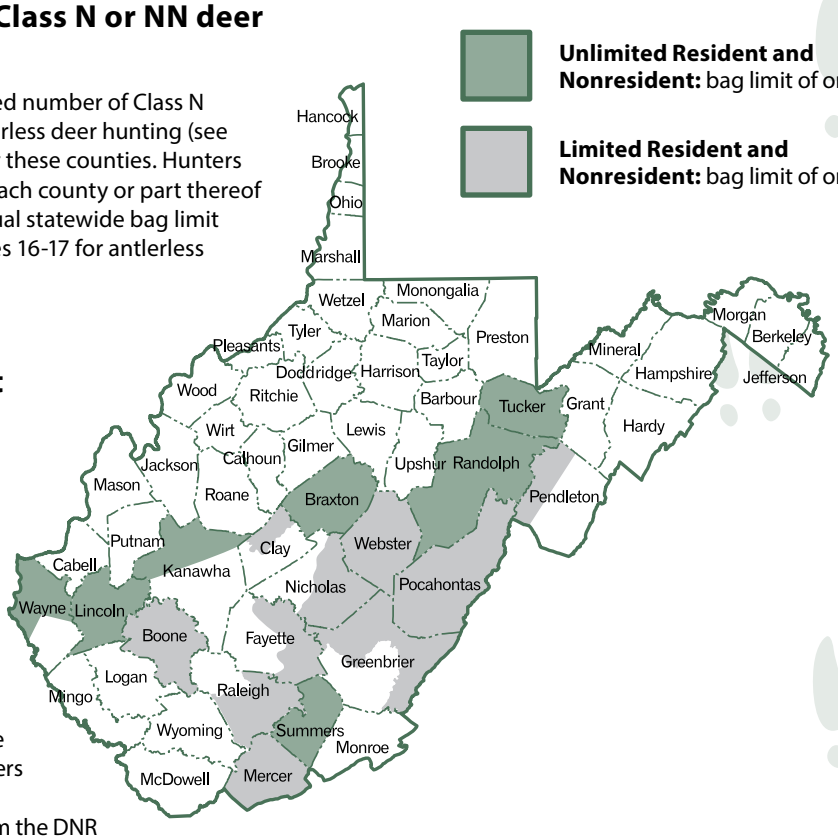
Concurrent waterfowl hunting is legal (see separate WVDNR Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations publication).



COUNTIES, STATE FORESTS AND/OR WMAS WITH LIMITED RESIDENT AND NONRESIDENT CLASS N OR NN PERMITS, AND UNLIMITED RESIDENT AND NONRESIDENT CLASS N OR NN WITH A BAG LIMIT OF ONE

Counties with a bag limit of one Class N or NN deer in antlerless season

Seven counties or parts thereof have an unlimited number of Class N or NN stamps for resident and nonresident antlerless deer hunting (see pages 14 and 18). No application is necessary for these counties. Hunters may take one antlerless (Class N or NN) deer in each county or part thereof in this group of counties, not to exceed the annual statewide bag limit of three antlerless (Class N or NN) deer. See pages 16-17 for antlerless regulations on WMAs and other public lands.



Counties and public lands with limited resident and nonresident hunting for Class N or NN deer in antlerless season

There are 10 counties or portions thereof with resident Class N or nonresident Class NN antlerless deer hunting with prior application in 2013. Seven wildlife management areas (WMAs) and three State Forests (SFs) have a limited number of Class N or Class NN stamps for antlerless deer hunting (see page 18). To be eligible to hunt in one of these counties or on one of these WMAs or SFs, an application must be submitted by August 19, 2013. Resident landowners do not need a permit to hunt on their own land. Successful applicants will receive notification from the DNR by mail. See pages 16-17 for antlerless regulations on WMAs and other public lands.

In limited resident and nonresident antlerless WMAs and State Forests, a hunter may take only one deer in the antlerless season.

To apply, ask your license agent for an antlerless permit application or download one from www.wvdnr.gov.