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Summary of Changes 2019-2020

1. The October 24-27 segment of the antlerless deer season will be open on public lands as well as private lands.
2. Season dates and open counties for antlerless deer, fall wild turkey, and black bear hunting seasons have changed. See appropriate sections for details.
3. The Little Kanawha Wildlife Management Area (Wirt and Calhoun counties) will be managed under special regulations as an older-aged deer management area. See pages 11 and 17.
4. The October segment of the Youth/Class Q and XS Antlerless Deer Season has been extended to include Sunday, Oct. 20. See page 32.
5. The Youth Spring Gobbler Season has been extended to include Sunday, April 19, 2020. Additionally, the shot size restrictions have been removed. See page 43.
6. Side-lock percussion and flintlock muzzleloading pistols are legal for use during the Mountaineer Heritage Season (scopes and in-line pistols are prohibited). Caliber requirements are the same as the traditional muzzleloader season. See page 34.
7. It is illegal for any person to cause through carelessness, neglect, or otherwise to let any edible portion of any big game to go to waste needlessly. See pages 4 and 9.
8. Make note of revised prohibitions for transporting firearms, bows and crossbows that are not disassembled or in a case (bullet points three and nine on page 3).



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