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NR 10.23 Grand river experimental hunting area. (1) **DESCRIPTION.** The area described in s. NR 11.27 (11) and (12), Wis. Adm. Code, shall be called the Grand River experimental hunting area.

(2) **RESTRICTIONS.** (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to take, catch, kill, hunt, trap or pursue any species of wild animal or bird at any time, or have in possession or under control any firearm unless it is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case or any bow unless it is unstrung or enclosed in a carrying case upon that area known as the Grand River experimental hunting area except as provided in this section.

(b) Hunting in the Grand River experimental hunting area shall be from blinds as may be located on the area by the department. The department may further limit the number of blinds to be occupied each day.

(3) **PERMIT AND TAG REQUIREMENT.** In order to hunt Canada geese pursuant to this section, the applicant must comply with NR 10.01 (1) (1) and possess a special goose blind permit issued by the department.

(a) A goose blind application shall be completed and submitted by the applicant on a 3" X 5" post card bearing the name, address and current year hunting license number of each applicant.

(b) Applications must be received by the department no later than September 10 of each year.

(c) No more than 2 persons may apply on a single application card.

(d) It shall be unlawful for any person to submit more than one application per year or an application containing false information.

(4) **REGISTRATION.** (a) Each permit issued shall be validated by the department registration station located on the area prior to occupying any blind.

(b) Registration station hours shall begin one hour before the start of hunting hours. Hunters shall report to such station immediately after the close of hunting hours each day as established in sub. (6).

(c) All blinds will be assigned by one-half hour prior to shooting hours. Permittees numbered 1-20 who do not report prior to this time period shall be assigned blinds as they become available on a first-come, first-served basis.

(d) The department shall assign blinds by random selection at the registration station.

(e) Permits shall be returned to the registration station immediately upon completion of the permittee's hunt and all Canada geese bagged shall be presented for registration.

(5) **GOOSE BLIND PERMIT RESTRICTIONS.** (a) Goose blind permits shall be valid for a single, specified date and entitle each permittee to the daily bag limit of Canada geese.

(b) No more than 2 persons shall hunt from any blind.

(c) It shall be unlawful to hunt from any blind except those assigned to the hunter by the department.

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(d) Goose blind permits are not transferable or replaceable and shall not be reused, altered or defaced.

(e) Permits and numbers assigned to such permits shall be issued on a random basis with priority of use as follows:

1. 30 permits shall be issued for each day.

2. Permits numbered 1-20 shall be validated first each day pursuant to sub. (4).

3. Permits numbered 21-30 shall be validated as blinds become available.

(6) SEASON AND HUNTING HOURS. (a) The open season for hunting Canada geese shall begin October 2 and continue through November 16.

(b) The commencement of the daily hunting hours shall conform to those in NR 10.06 except that hunting hours shall terminate at noon each day unless otherwise indicated by signs posted at the registration station.

(7) Dogs are not permitted on the experimental hunting area described in sub. (1).

NR 10.24 Bong state recreation area hunting zone. (1) DESCRIPTION. The area described in s. NR 45.01 (3) (t) 1., Wis. Adm. Code, shall be called the hunting zone.

(2) RESTRICTIONS. (a) No person may take, catch, kill, hunt, trap or pursue any species of wild animal at any time, or have in possession or under control any firearm unless it is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case or any bow unless it is unstrung or enclosed within a carrying case in the hunting zone except as provided in this section.

(b) All rifles and pistols, except starter pistols loaded with blanks, are prohibited except when they are transported unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case in a vehicle or automobile.

(c) Methods of hunting other than by use of rifles and pistols shall comply with those established in this chapter.

(3) PERMIT AND TAGS. (a) No person may hunt or trap within the hunting zone without first obtaining a permit issued by the department.

(b) Permits and associated carcass tags are not transferable or replaceable and are valid only for the date and area specified on the permit.

(c) The number of daily hunting permits issued may not exceed 675 at any one time. Permits returned by hunters may be reissued on a first-come, first-served basis.

(d) Until the pheasant season opens, no more than 16 waterfowl permits may be issued each day for the area north of state highway 142.

(e) The number of seasonal trapping permits may not exceed 10.

(f) Permits are only valid for hunting or trapping the species specified on the permit.

(g) Permits, waterfowl blind markers, and unused carcass tags shall be returned to a department check-out station immediately upon termination of hunting.

(4) RESERVATIONS. (a) Hunting and trapping permit reservations may be obtained by applying on department forms between April 1 and August 31 each year. Forms are available at the Bong state recreation area headquarters.

(b) No one may submit more than one application for a single date.

(c) If the number of applications exceeds the number of permits available, a random drawing shall select successful applicants.

(d) Applications received after August 31 shall be approved on a first-come, first-served basis if permits are available.

(e) No person may receive more than 5 reservations per season.

(f) Any person who obtains a hunting permit reservation and fails to arrive at the department's check-in station within one-half hour after the opening of hunting hours shall forfeit such reservation and reservation fee. Such person may obtain a daily permit on a first-come, first-served basis provided a permit is available.

(g) A maximum of 440 permits of which 40 are for waterfowl, shall be reservable each day. The remaining nonreservable permits may be issued for hunting within the special use zone as defined in s. NR 45.01 (3)

(t) 2., on a first-come, first-served basis when the zone is not reserved by other groups.

(5) HUNTER IDENTIFICATION. Armbands or other means of identification issued with permits shall be worn on the outermost garment at all times and shall be returned to a department check-out station immediately upon termination of hunting.

(6) SEASON AND HOURS. (a) The open season and limits for hunting and trapping shall be those established in s. NR 10.01, except for the pheasant limits which shall be:

1. Daily—one, either sex for the first 2 days; 2, either sex, thereafter.

2. Possession—one the first day, either sex; 2 the second day, either sex; 4, either sex, thereafter.

(b) Hunting hours for all species shall be the hours established in s. NR 10.06 (2) (e) and (3) except during the pheasant season when hunting shall terminate at 2:00 p.m. on the even-numbered days of the calendar after the Saturday nearest October 27 but not including the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday.

(c) Trapping hours shall be the hours established in s. NR 10.13 (3).

(7) PHEASANT HUNTING. (a) When a pheasant is killed and before it is carried by hand or transported in any manner, the hunter shall completely attach to the bird's leg a carcass tag issued by the department.

(b) The carcass tag shall remain attached to the pheasant until it is prepared for consumption.

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(8) **WATERFOWL HUNTING SOUTH OF STATE HIGHWAY 142.** (a) Hunting shall be restricted to blinds constructed, located and assigned by the department except for retrieval of crippled waterfowl.

(b) No more than 2 persons may hunt from any blind.

(9) **TRAPPING.** (a) Trapping permits are valid for the entire season.

(b) Areas shall be determined by the department and no more than one permittee or helper may trap in any one area.

History: Cr. Register, August, 1981, No. 308, eff. 9-1-81.

NR 10.25 Wild turkey hunting. (1) **TAGS AND PERMITS.** (a) *Permit requirement.* No person may hunt wild turkey unless they have first applied for and received a valid wild turkey hunting permit and tag from the department.

(b) *Permit preference.* Qualified Wisconsin resident landowners or persons assigned eligibility under s. 29.103 (3) (b), Stats., may request first preference when applying for a wild turkey permit provided the zone applied for:

1. Is open to wild turkey hunting.

2. Contains at least 50 acres in one parcel owned by the Wisconsin resident applicant.

(c) *Permit application procedures.* Any person possessing a valid hunting license authorizing the hunting of game birds may apply for a turkey hunting permit as follows:

1. Application shall be made on forms provided by the department.

2. All application forms must be postmarked no later than October 1 to be considered for the succeeding wild turkey hunting season.

3. If a maximum of 2 persons wish to hunt together, each must complete an application form for individual permits and submit them together in a single envelope clearly marked "group application". Such group application shall be treated as one application for purposes of random selection or consideration for a permit. Preference may be requested by group applicants provided both individuals are eligible under par. (b).

(d) *Random selection.* If the number of applications for permits exceed the available number of permits as determined under this section, successful applicants shall be determined by random selection.

(e) *Permit and tag restrictions.* 1. Permit and carcass tags issued under this section are only valid for the zone and time period indicated on the permit.

2. Permits or carcass tags issued under this section may not be transferred to or used by any person other than the permittee.

(2) **TAGGING PROCEDURE.** (a) *Carcass tag use.* When a wild turkey is killed and before it is carried by hand or transported in any manner, the hunter shall:

1. Validate the permit by tearing or cutting out notches on the carcass tag designating the day of kill. Failure to follow the validation procedure in this manner invalidates the permit.

2. Completely attach and seal the carcass tag, utilizing its own adhesive, around the leg of the turkey.

(b) *Transportation and possession.* No person may possess or transport a wild turkey unless the person has lawfully killed and tagged it.

(3) **REGISTRATION.** A person who possesses a wild turkey shall exhibit and register the bird at a department registration no later than 8:00 p.m. on the day killed. The department shall affix a registration tag to lawfully taken wild turkeys and the tag shall be kept until the turkey meat is consumed.

(4) **RESTRICTIONS.** No person may hunt wild turkeys:

(a) By any means other than a shotgun or muzzle-loading shotgun fired from the shoulder or a bow and arrow.

(b) With the aid of recorded bird calls or sounds or electrically amplified imitations of bird calls or sounds.

(c) With the aid of dogs.

(d) With live decoys for the purposes of enticing wild turkeys.

History: Cr. Register, March, 1966, No. 123, eff. 4-1-66; r. and recr. Register, March, 1967, No. 135, eff. 4-1-67; am. (3), (5) and (7)(a), Register, March, 1968, No. 147, eff. 4-1-68; renum. to be NR 10.25, Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; r. and recr., Register, November, 1982, No. 323, eff. 12-1-82.

NR 10.27 Deer hunting in state parks. Open seasons for deer are established on state-owned lands in the following state parks as hereinafter set forth pursuant to s. 29.57 (4), Stats., in accordance with the open season established by s. NR 10.01 (3)(e) in the respective season zone in which such park is located, except for areas closed to deer hunting.

(1) Muzzle-loader season only; Governor Dodge state park, Blue Mound state park and Perrot state park.

(2) Gun season and December bow and arrow season only: Rock Island state park, Newport state park, Big Bay state park recreation area, Tuscobia-Park Falls state trail, Elroy-Sparta state trail, Mirror Lake state park recreation area; Hartman Creek state park, Devil's Lake state park, Interstate state park, Wildcat Mountain state park and Willow River state park and Kinnickinnic state park.

(3) Bow and arrow season except for the December bow and arrow season; Buckhorn state park.

(4) In all other state parks there is no open season for hunting deer.

History: Emerg. cr. eff. 10-11-68; cr. Register, August, 1969, No. 164, eff. 9-1-69; renum. to be NR 10.27; am. intro, par., Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (1) Register, August, 1972, No. 200, eff. 9-1-72; am. Register, November, 1972, No. 203, eff. 12-1-72; am. (2), Register, March, 1975, No. 231, eff. 4-1-75; emerg. renum (3) to be (4) and cr. (3) eff. 9-24-75; renum. (3) to be (4), cr. (4), Register, September, 1975, No. 237, eff. 10-1-75; am. (1) and (2), Register, November, 1976, No. 251, eff. 12-1-76; am. (2), Register, May, 1977, No. 257, eff. 6-1-77; am. (3), Register, August, 1978, No. 272, eff. 9-1-78; am. (1), Register, March, 1979, No. 279, eff. 4-1-79; am. (1) and (2), Register, August, 1981, No. 308, eff. 9-1-81.

NR 10.28 Deer management units. Deer management units are established as designated on the following map:

History: Cr. Register, August, 1964, No. 104, eff. 9-1-64; am. map. Register, August, 1968, No. 152, eff. 9-1-68; r. and recr. Register, August, 1969, No. 164, eff. 9-1-69; renum. to be NR 10.24; am. (1), Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (1), and map Register, August, 1971, No. 188, eff. 9-1-71; am. (1), Register, September, 1972, No. 201, eff. 10-1-72; am. (1), Register, September, 1973, No. 213, eff. 10-1-73; am. (1), Register, May, 1976, No. 245, eff. 8-15-76; am. (1), Register, November, 1976, No. 251, eff. 12-1-76; am. Register, October, 1977, No. 262, eff. 11-1-77; renum. from NR 10.24 and am., Register, September, 1979, No. 285, eff. 10-1-79; r. and recr., Register, October, 1981, No. 310, eff. 11-1-81; emerg. am. eff. 9-9-82; r. and recr. Register, October, 1983, No. 334, eff. 11-1-83.