

Chapter WCD 10

GAME AND HUNTING

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(Sections 29.085 and 29.174, Wis. Stats.)

WCD 10.01 Open and closed seasons. A closed season is established for each species of wild animal and bird named herein extending during all the time of each year except the open season period embraced within the specified dates, both inclusive, and except as otherwise expressly provided, no person shall take, catch, kill, hunt, pursue, or trap any wild animal or bird at any time other than the open season and established hunting hours therefor, nor in the open season in excess of the daily bag limit designated for each species or each locality respectively, nor have any such protected wild animal or bird in his possession or under his control in excess of the possession limit.

(1) MIGRATORY BIRDS AND WATERFOWL

Locality	Kind of animal	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Possession limit
(a) All that part of the counties of Dodge and Fond du Lac enclosed by a line beginning at the junction of state highway 26, with the east-west center line of section 9, 10, 11 and 12 in township 12 north, range 15 east, thence eastward along said center line and continuing eastward along the east-west center of sections 7, 8, 9, and 10 in township 12 north, range 16 east to its junction with county highway TW, thence north and east on said highway TW to its junction with county highway Y, thence northerly on said highway Y to its junction with county highway YY, thence northerly on said highway YY to its junction with county highway Y, thence northerly on said highway Y to its junction with county highway B, thence southwesterly on said highway B to its junction with county highway D, thence westerly on said highway D to its junction with high-				

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<p>way AS, thence westerly on said highway AS to its junction with U. S. highway 151, thence south-westerly on said highway 151 to its junction with the C. M. St. P. &amp; Pac. railroad thence southerly along said C. M. St. P. &amp; Pac. railroad to its junction with state highway 26, thence north on said highway 26 to its junction with the east-west center line of section 9, 10, 11, and 12 in township 12 north, range 15 east which is the point of beginning.</p>	1. Canvasback and redhead ducks	None		
	2. All other wild ducks	Oct. 14 at 12 noon through Nov. 12. Hunting closes at 2 p.m. daily	2 in the aggregate including not more than 1 wood duck and 1 hooded merganser	4 in the aggregate including not more than 1 wood duck and 1 hooded merganser
	3. Coot (mudhen)	Oct. 14 at 12 noon through Nov. 12. Hunting closes at 2 p.m. daily		
	4. Rails and gallinules All varieties	Oct. 14 at 12 noon through Nov. 12. Hunting closes at 2 p.m. daily	6	6
	5. Wilson's snipe (jack-snipe)	Oct. 14 at 12 noon through Nov. 12. Hunting closes at 2 p.m. daily	15	15
	6. Geese	Oct. 14 at 12 noon through Nov. 12. Hunting closes at 2 p.m. daily Oct. 7 at 12 noon through Dec. 5. Hunting closes at 2 p.m. daily	8	8
	7. Woodcock	Oct. 7 at 12 noon through Nov. 9. Hunting closes at 2 p.m. daily	4	8
<p>(b) All other parts of Dodge and Fond du Lac counties and that part of the counties of Juneau, Monroe, and Wood enclosed by a line beginning in the town of Remington, Wood county, at the junction of state highway 173 with state highway 80, thence southerly along said highway 80 to its junction with U. S. high-</p>				

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ways 12 and 16, thence westerly along said highways 12 and 16 to their junction with Monroe county highway N, thence northerly along said county highway N to its junction with state highway 173, thence northeasterly along said highway 173 to its junction with state highway 80 which is the point of beginning.....	1. Canvasback and redhead ducks	None		
	2. All other wild ducks	Oct. 14 at 12 noon through Nov. 12	2 in the aggregate including not more than 1 wood duck and 1 hooded merganser	4 in the aggregate including not more than 1 wood duck and 1 hooded merganser
	3. Coot (mudhen)	Oct. 14 at 12 noon through Nov. 12	6	6
	4. Rails and gallinules All varieties	Oct. 14 at 12 noon through Nov. 12	15	15
	5. Wilson's snipe (jack-snipe)	Oct. 14 at 12 noon through Nov. 12	8	8
	6. Geese	Oct. 7 at 12 noon through Nov. 12	5 in the aggregate including not more than 1 Canada goose or its subspecies and 1 white-fronted goose or 2 white-fronted geese	5 in the aggregate including not more than 1 Canada goose or its subspecies and 1 white-fronted goose or 2 white-fronted geese
	7. Woodcock	Oct. 1 through Nov. 9	4	8
(c) All that part of Burnett county lying west and south of a line beginning at the junction of state highway 77, with the west boundary of said county, thence easterly along said highway 77 to its junction with state highway 35, thence southerly along said highway 35 to its junction with the south boundary of said county..	1. Canvasback and redhead ducks	None		
	2. All other wild ducks	Oct. 14 at 12 noon through Nov. 12	2 in the aggregate including not more than 1 wood duck and 1 hooded merganser	4 in the aggregate including not more than 1 wood duck and 1 hooded merganser
	3. Coot (mudhen)	Oct. 14 at 12 noon through Nov. 12	6	6
	4. Rails and gallinules All varieties	Oct. 14 at 12 noon through Nov. 12	15	15

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(d) All other areas in the state of Wisconsin-----	5. Wilson's snipe (jack-snipe)	Oct. 14 at 12 noon through Nov. 12	8	8
	6. Geese	None		
	7. Woodcock	Oct. 1 through Nov. 9	4	8
	1. Canvasback and redhead ducks	None		
	2. All other wild ducks	Oct. 14 at 12 noon through Nov. 12	2 in the aggregate including not more than 1 wood duck and 1 hooded merganser	4 in the aggregate including not more than 1 wood duck and 1 hooded merganser
	3. Coot (mudhen)	Oct. 14 at 12 noon through Nov. 12	6	6
	4. Rails and gallinules All varieties	Oct. 14 at 12 noon through Nov. 12	15	15
	5. Wilson's snipe (jack-snipe)	Oct. 14 at 12 noon through Nov. 12	8	8
	6. Geese	Oct. 7 at 12 noon through Dec. 5	5 in the aggregate including not more than 2 Canada geese or its sub-species; or 2 white-fronted geese; or 1 Canada goose or its sub-species and 1 white-fronted goose	5 in the aggregate including not more than 2 Canada geese or its sub-species; or 2 white-fronted geese; or 1 Canada goose or its sub-species and 1 white-fronted goose
	7. Woodcock	Oct. 1 through Nov. 9	4	8

(e) 1. The open season for hunting geese in the area described in 10.01 (1)(a), shall close when the conservation director determines that the harvest of Canada geese in Dodge and Fond du Lac counties has reached a total of 8,500. The open season for hunting geese in the remainder of Dodge and Fond du Lac counties shall close when the conservation director determines that the harvest of Canada geese in said counties has reached a total of 10,000.

2. The open season for hunting geese in the area described in WCD 10.01 (1)(b) in the counties of Juneau, Monroe, and Wood shall close when the conservation director determines that the harvest of Canada geese has reached 2,000 in said area.

3. The open season for hunting geese in the areas described in WCD 10.01 (1)(a) and (b) shall close when the conservation director determines that the harvest of Canada geese in said areas has reached a combined total of 12,000, and that to kill additional Canada geese in said areas would be detrimental to and would endanger the breeding stock and future supply of Canada geese.

(2) UPLAND GAME BIRDS

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Bag limit
<p>(a) <b>Ruffed grouse (Partridge)</b>                      All that part of Wisconsin lying northerly of a line beginning at the junction of State Highway 64 extended westerly to the west boundary of said state, thence easterly along said Highway 64 to its junction with U. S. Highway 141, thence northerly along said Highway 141 to its junction with State Highway 180, thence easterly along said Highway 180 to its junction with County Highway "JJ", thence easterly along said Highway "JJ" to its junction with the Menominee River which is the east boundary of said state.....</p>	<p>Oct. 1 through Nov. 14</p>	<p>3 each day 6 possession</p>
<p>All that part of Wisconsin enclosed by a line beginning at the northerly junction of State Highway 64 with State Highway 32, thence westerly along said Highway 64 to its junction with State Highway 27, thence southerly along said Highway 27 to its junction with U. S. Highway 12, thence southerly along said Highway 12 to its junction with State Highway 27, thence southerly along said Highway 27 to its junction with State Highway 21, thence easterly along said Highway 21 to its junction with State Highway 22, thence northerly along said Highway 22 to its junction with State Highway 55, thence northerly along said Highway 55, to its junction with County Highway "M", thence easterly along said Highway "M" to its junction with State Highway 32, thence northerly along said Highway 32 to its northernmost junction with State Highway 64 which is the point of beginning.....</p>	<p>Oct. 1 through Nov. 30</p>	<p>3 each day 6 possession</p>
<p>All that part of Wisconsin lying westerly of a line beginning at the junction of State Highway 64 extended westerly to the west boundary of said state, thence easterly along said Highway 64 to its junction with State Highway 27, thence southerly along said Highway 27 to its junction with U. S. Highway 12, thence southerly along said Highway 12 to its junction with State Highway 27, thence southerly along said Highway 27 to its junction with State Highway 21, thence easterly along said Highway 21 to its junction with State Highway 73, thence southerly along said Highway 73 to its junction with State Highway 23, thence westerly along said Highway 23 to its junction with State Highway 22, thence southerly along said Highway 22 to its junction with State Highway 33, thence westerly along said Highway 33 to its junction with State Highway 78, thence southerly along said Highway 78 to its junction with the south boundary of the state.....</p>	<p>Oct. 21 at 12 noon through Dec. 17</p>	<p>3 each day 6 possession</p>
<p>All that part of Wisconsin lying easterly of a line (except the counties of Jefferson, Kenosha, Milwaukee, Racine, Rock, Walworth, and Waukesha) beginning at the junction of State Highway 78 with the south boundary of the state, thence northerly along said Highway 78 to its junction with State Highway 33, thence easterly along said Highway 33 to its junction with State Highway 22, thence northerly along said Highway 22 to its junction with State Highway 23, thence easterly along said Highway 23 to its junction with State Highway 73, thence northerly along said Highway 73 to its junction with State Highway 22, thence northerly along said Highway 22 to its junction with State Highway 55, thence northerly along said Highway 55 to its junction with County Highway "M", thence easterly along said Highway "M" to its junction with State Highway 32, thence northerly along said Highway 32 to its junction with State Highway 64, thence easterly along said Highway 64 to its junction</p>		

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with U. S. Highway 141, thence northerly along said Highway 141 to its junction with State Highway 180, thence easterly along said Highway 180 to its junction with County Highway "JJ", thence easterly along said Highway "JJ" to its junction with the Menominee River which is the east boundary of the state.....	Oct. 21 at 12 noon through Nov. 12	3 each day 6 possession
In the counties of Jefferson, Kenosha, Milwaukee, Racine, Rock, Walworth, and Waukesha.....	None	
(b) <b>Sharp-tailed grouse</b> All that part of Wisconsin lying northerly of a line beginning at the junction of State Highway 64 extended westerly to the west boundary of said state, thence easterly along said Highway 64 to its junction with State Highway 13, thence southerly along said Highway 13 to its junction with State Highway 153, thence easterly along said Highway 153 to its junction with U. S. Highway 51, thence southerly along said Highway 51 to its junction with State Highway 66, thence easterly along said Highway 66 to its junction with State Highway 49, thence northerly along said Highway 49 to its junction with State Highway 29, thence easterly along said Highway 29 to its junction with State Highway 55, thence northerly along said Highway 55 to its junction with County Highway "M", thence easterly along said Highway "M" to its junction with State Highway 32, thence northerly along said Highway 32 to its junction with State Highway 64, thence easterly along said Highway 64 to its junction with U. S. Highway 141, thence northerly along said Highway 141 to its junction with State Highway 180, thence easterly along said Highway 180 to its junction with County Highway "JJ", thence easterly along said Highway "JJ" to its junction with the Menominee River which is the east boundary of the state.....	Oct. 1 through Oct. 15	3 each day 6 possession
In all other parts of the state.....	None	
(c) <b>Ring-necked, black-necked, Mongolian and mutant pheasant</b> In all counties of the state.....	<b>Cocks only</b> Oct. 21 at 12 noon through Oct. 23 Oct. 24 through Nov. 12	1 each day 2 possession 2 each day 4 possession
There shall be an open season for hunting pheasants in Milwaukee County only with bow and arrow....	<b>Hens or Cocks</b> Oct. 21 at 12 noon through Feb. 15	2 each day 4 possession
(d) <b>Hungarian partridge</b> All that part of Wisconsin lying easterly of a line beginning at the junction of State Highway 78 with the south boundary of the state, thence northerly along said Highway 78 to its junction with State Highway 33, thence easterly along said Highway 33 to its junction with State Highway 22, thence northerly along said Highway 22 to its junction with State Highway 23, thence easterly along said Highway 23 to its junction with State Highway 73, thence northerly along said Highway 73 to its junction with State Highway 22, thence northerly along said Highway 22 to its junction with State Highway 55, thence northerly along said Highway 55 to its junction with County Highway "M", thence easterly along said Highway "M" to its junction with State Highway 32, thence northerly along said Highway 32 to its junction with State Highway 64, thence easterly along said Highway 64 to its junction with U. S. Highway 141, thence northerly along said Highway 141 to its junction with State Highway 180, thence		

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easterly along said Highway 180 to its junction with County Highway "JJ", thence easterly along said Highway "JJ" to its junction with the Menominee River which is the east boundary of the state.....	Oct. 21 at 12 noon through Nov. 12	3 each day 6 possession
There shall be an open season for hunting Hungarian partridge in Milwaukee County only with bow and arrow.....	Oct. 21 at 12 noon through Feb. 15	3 each day 6 possession
In all other parts of the state.....	None	
(e) <b>Bobwhite quail</b> All that part of Wisconsin lying westerly of a line beginning at the junction of State Highway 78 with the south boundary of the state, thence northerly along said Highway 78 to its junction with State Highway 33, thence easterly along said Highway 33 to its junction with State Highway 22, thence northerly along said Highway 22 to its junction with State Highway 23, thence easterly along said Highway 23 to its junction with State Highway 73, thence northerly along said Highway 73 to its junction with State Highway 22, thence northerly along said Highway 22 to its junction with U. S. Highway 10, thence westerly along said Highway 10 to its junction with U. S. Highway 12, thence westerly along said Highway 12 to its junction with State Highway 27, thence northerly along said Highway 27 to its junction with State Highway 64, thence westerly along said Highway 64 and a westerly extension of said Highway 64 to the west boundary of said state.....	Oct. 21 at 12 noon through Nov. 12	3 each day 6 possession
In all other parts of the state.....	None	

(3) UPLAND GAME ANIMALS

(a) <b>Gray and fox squirrels</b> All that part of Wisconsin lying westerly of a line beginning at the junction of State Highway 78 with the south boundary of the state, thence northerly along said Highway 78 to its junction with State Highway 33, thence easterly along said Highway 33 to its junction with State Highway 22, thence northerly along said Highway 22 to its junction with State Highway 23, thence easterly along said Highway 23 to its junction with State Highway 73, thence northerly along said Highway 73 to its junction with State Highway 22, thence northerly along said Highway 22 to its junction with State Highway 55, thence northerly along said Highway 55 to its junction with County Highway "M", thence easterly along said Highway "M" to its junction with State Highway 32, thence northerly along said Highway 32 to its junction with State Highway 64, thence easterly along said Highway 64 to its junction with U. S. Highway 141, thence northerly along said Highway 141 to its junction with State Highway 180, thence easterly along said Highway 180 to its junction with County Highway "JJ", thence easterly along said Highway "JJ" to its junction with the Menominee River which is the east boundary of the state.....	Oct. 1 through Jan. 31	Bag limit means total of both species 5 each day 10 possession
All that part of Wisconsin lying easterly of the foregoing described line.....	Oct. 21 at 12 noon through Jan. 31	5 each day 10 possession

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<p>(b) <b>Raccoon</b> All that part of Wisconsin lying northerly of a line beginning at the junction of U. S. Highway 16 with the west boundary of said state, thence easterly along said Highway 16 to its junction with state Highway 21, thence easterly along said Highway 21 and an easterly extension of said Highway 21 to the west shoreline of Lake Winnebago, thence northerly along said shoreline to the Fox River, thence northeasterly along said Fox River to Green Bay which is the east boundary of the state-----</p>	Oct. 1 through Dec. 31	No bag limit
<p>All that part of Wisconsin lying southerly of the foregoing described line, except in the counties of Kenosha, Racine and Walworth-----</p>	Oct. 15 through Dec. 31	No bag limit
<p>In the counties of Kenosha, Racine and Walworth--</p>	All year	No bag limit
<p>(c) <b>Cottontail, jackrabbit and snowshoe hare</b> All that part of Wisconsin lying northerly of a line beginning at the junction of State Highway 64 extended westerly to the west boundary of said state, thence easterly along said Highway 64 to its junction with State Highway 27, thence southerly along said Highway 27 to its junction with U. S. Highway 12, thence southerly along said Highway 12 to its junction with State Highway 27, thence southerly along said Highway 27 to its junction with State Highway 21, thence easterly along said Highway 21 to its junction with State Highway 22, thence northerly along said Highway 22 to its junction with State Highway 55, thence northerly along said Highway 55 to its junction with County Highway "M", thence easterly along said Highway "M" to its junction with State Highway 32, thence northerly along said Highway 32 to its junction with State Highway 64, thence easterly along said Highway 64 to its junction with U. S. Highway 141, thence northerly along said Highway 141 to its junction with State Highway 180, thence easterly along said Highway 180 to its junction with County Highway "JJ", thence easterly along said Highway "JJ" to its junction with the Memoninee River which is the east boundary of the state-----</p>	<b>Snowshoe Hare</b> All year	No bag limit
	<b>Cottontail</b> Oct. 1 through Jan. 31	3 each day 6 possession
	<b>Jackrabbit</b> Oct. 1 through Jan. 31	4 each day 8 possession
<p>All that part of Wisconsin lying southerly of the foregoing described line-----</p>	<b>Snowshoe Hare</b> Oct. 21 at 12 noon through Jan. 31	4 each day 8 possession
	<b>Cottontail</b> Oct. 21 at 12 noon through Jan. 31	3 each day 6 possession
	<b>Jackrabbit</b> Oct. 21 at 12 noon through Jan. 31	4 each day 8 possession
<p>There shall be an open season for the taking of cottontail rabbits in Milwaukee county at all times and cottontail rabbits may be taken during such open season by any means except the use or aid of firearms, snares and poison.</p>		
<p>(e) <b>Deer</b></p>		
<p><i>Rifle season</i> There shall be an open season for hunting deer with rifles, shotguns loaded with single slug or ball, and with bow and arrow:</p>		
<p>On all islands, except Madeline Island, in the outlying waters of Lake Superior in the counties of Ashland and Bayfield, commonly known as the Apostle Islands-----</p>	Oct. 14 through Nov. 26	One deer per season, either sex



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All other parts of the state (including Madeline Island, Ashland county) <i>except</i> in the following counties or parts of counties: Brown, Buffalo, Calumet, Dane, Dodge, Dunn, Fond du Lac, Green, Jefferson, Kenosha, Kewaunee, Lafayette, Manitowoc, Milwaukee, Outagamie, Ozaukee, Pepin, Pierce, Racine, Rock, Shawano (south of State Highway 29), Sheboygan, St. Croix, Walworth, Washington, Waukesha, Waupaca, and Winnebago.....	Nov. 18 through Nov. 26	One buck deer per season with antler not less than 3 inches in length.
<i>Non-rifle season</i> There shall be an open season for hunting deer with smooth-bore muzzle loading muskets of not less than .45 caliber, rifled muzzle loading muskets of not less than .40 caliber and shotguns loaded with single slug or ball, and with bow and arrow:	Nov. 18 through Nov. 19	One deer per season, either sex
In the counties of Green, Jefferson, Kenosha, Lafayette, Racine, Rock, Walworth and Waukesha.....	Nov. 18 through Nov. 19	One deer per season, either sex
In the counties or parts of counties of Brown, Buffalo, Calumet, Dane, Dodge, Dunn (except Nine Mile Island), Fond du Lac, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Outagamie, Ozaukee, Pepin (except Nine Mile Island), Pierce, Shawano (south of Highway 29), Sheboygan, St. Croix, Washington, Waupaca, and Winnebago.....	Nov. 18 through Nov. 26	One buck deer per season with antler not less than 3 inches in length.
<i>Closed Season</i> There shall be no open season for deer with firearms in Milwaukee, or on Nine Mile Island in the counties of Dunn and Pepin.	Sept. 23 through Nov. 14 Dec. 2 through Dec. 31	One deer per season, either sex
<i>Bow and Arrow Season</i> There shall be an open season for hunting deer with bow and arrow only in all counties of the state.....	Sept. 23 through Nov. 14 Dec. 2 through Dec. 31	One deer per season, either sex
<b>(g) Bear</b>	Oct. 14 through Nov. 26	See note below
<i>Rifle Season</i> There shall be an open season for hunting bear with rifles, shotguns loaded with single slug or ball, and with bow and arrow:	Oct. 14 through Nov. 26	See note below
On all islands except Madeline Island in the outlying waters of Lake Superior in the counties of Ashland and Bayfield, commonly known as the Apostle Islands.....	Oct. 14 through Nov. 26	See note below
All other parts of the state (including Madeline Island, Ashland Co.) lying northerly of a line beginning at the junction of State Highway 29 extended westerly to the west boundary of said state, thence easterly along said Highway 29 to its junction with the Fox River, thence northeasterly along said Fox River to Green Bay which is the east boundary of the state, except that part of the counties of Dunn, Pierce and St. Croix lying north of said Highway 29 and that part of Brown County lying north of said Highway 29 and west of the Fox River.....	Nov. 18 through Nov. 26	See note below
<i>Non-rifle Season</i> There shall be an open season for hunting bear with smooth-bore muzzle loading muskets of not less than .45 caliber, rifled muzzle loading muskets of not less than .40 caliber and shotguns loaded with single slug or ball, and with bow and arrow:	Nov. 18 through Nov. 26	See note below
In that part of the counties of Dunn, Pierce and St. Croix lying northerly of State Highway 29 and that part of Brown County lying north of said Highway 29 and west of the Fox River.....	Nov. 18 through Nov. 26	See note below

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<p><i>Bow and Arrow Season</i> There shall be an open season for bow and arrow only in all that part of Wisconsin lying northerly of a line beginning at the junction of State Highway 29 extended westerly to the west boundary of said state, thence easterly along said Highway 29 to its junction with the Fox River, thence northeasterly along said Fox River to Green Bay which is the east boundary of the state.....</p>	Sept. 23 through Nov. 14	See note below
<p><i>Closed Season</i> There shall be no open season for hunting bear in all other parts of the state.....</p>		NOTE: The bag limit on bear in the state shall be one bear per license holder per year.

## (4) FUR-BEARING ANIMALS

<p>(a) <b>Muskrat and Mink</b> All that part of Wisconsin lying northerly of State Highway 64.....</p>	Nov. 1 through Dec. 19 (water sets permitted)	No bag limit
<p>All that part of Wisconsin (except that part lying west and south of a line beginning at the junction of the Chippewa River with the west boundary of said state, thence northerly along said Chippewa River to State Highway 35, thence southeasterly along said Highway 35 to its junction with U. S. Highway 18, thence westerly along said Highway 18 to its junction with the west boundary of said state) lying southerly of State Highway 64 and northerly of a line beginning at the junction of U. S. Highway 18 with the west boundary of said state, thence easterly along said Highway 18 to its junction with State Highway 60, thence easterly along said Highway 60 and eastward to Lake Michigan..</p>	Nov. 8 through Dec. 19 (water sets permitted)	No bag limit
<p>All that part of Wisconsin, including the Upper Mississippi River Wildlife and Fish Refuge, lying west and south of a line beginning at the junction of the Chippewa River with the west boundary of said state, thence northerly along said Chippewa River to State Highway 35, thence southeasterly along said Highway 35 to its junction with U. S. Highway 18, thence easterly along said Highway 18 to its junction with State Highway 60, thence easterly along said Highway 60 and eastward to Lake Michigan.....</p>	Nov. 20 through Jan. 15 (water sets permitted)	No bag limit
<p>All that part of Dodge county lying northerly of State Highway 60, and Waupaca, Waushara and Winnebago counties.....</p>	Dec. 20 through Mar. 15 (water sets prohibited)	No bag limit
<p>(c) <b>Beaver</b> All that part of Wisconsin enclosed by a line beginning at the junction of U. S. Highway 8 with the northern boundary of the state, thence westerly along said Highway 8 to its junction with State Highway 32, thence southerly along said Highway 32 to its junction with State Highway 64, thence westerly along said Highway 64 to its junction with U. S. Highway 51, thence northerly along said Highway 51 to its junction with U. S. Highway 8, thence easterly along said Highway 8 to its junction with State Highway 32, thence northerly along said</p>		

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Highway 32 to its junction with County Highway "K", thence westerly along said Highway "K" to its junction with County Highway "W", thence northerly along said Highway "W" to its junction with County Highway "O", thence northerly along said Highway "O" to its junction with the northern boundary of the state.....	Feb. 1 through Apr. 5	35 per season
All other parts of the state lying northerly of State Highway 64.....	Feb. 1 through Mar. 26	35 per season
All that part of the state enclosed by a line beginning at the junction of State Highway 64 with the western boundary of the state, thence easterly along said Highway 64 to its junction with U. S. Highway 51, thence southerly along said Highway 51 to its junction with State Highway 23, thence westerly along said Highway 23 to its junction with U. S. Highway 16, thence westerly along said Highway 16 to its junction with the western boundary of the state.....	None	
All that part of the state lying south and west of a line beginning at the junction of U. S. Highway 16 with the west boundary of the state, thence easterly along said Highway 16 to its junction with State Highway 23, thence easterly along said Highway 23 to its junction with U. S. Highway 51, thence southerly along said Highway 51 to its junction with State Highway 33, thence easterly along said Highway 33 to its junction with State Highway 73, thence southerly along said Highway 73 to its junction with U. S. Highway 51, thence southerly along said Highway 51 to its junction with the southern boundary of the state.....	Feb. 25 through Apr. 10	35 per season
In the counties of Brown, Calumet, that part of Columbia lying south and east of State Highway 73, that part of Dane County lying east of a line beginning at the junction of State Highway 73 with the north boundary of said county and southerly along said Highway 73 to its junction with U. S. Highway 51, thence southerly along said Highway 51 to its junction with the south boundary of said county, all of Dodge County except that part lying west of State Highway 73, Jefferson, Kenosha, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, that part of Rock County lying east of U. S. Highway 51, Sheboygan, Walworth, Washington and Waukesha.....	None	
All other parts of the state of Wisconsin.....	Feb. 25 through Mar. 26	35 per season
<b>(d) Otter</b> All parts of the state lying northerly of State Highway 64.....	Feb. 1 through Mar. 26	2 per season
All that part of the state enclosed by a line beginning at the junction of State Highway 64 with the western boundary of the state, thence easterly along said Highway 64 to its junction with U. S. Highway 51, thence southerly along said Highway 51 to its junction with State Highway 23, thence westerly along said Highway 23 to its junction with U. S. Highway 16, thence westerly along said Highway 16 to its junction with the western boundary of the state.....	None	
All that part of the state lying south and west of a line beginning at the junction of U. S. Highway 16 with the west boundary of the state, thence easterly along said Highway 16 to its junction with State Highway 23, thence easterly along said Highway 23 to its junction with U. S. Highway 51, thence southerly along said Highway 51 to its junction with State Highway 33, thence easterly along said Highway 33 to its junction with State Highway 73, thence southerly along said Highway 73 to its junction with		

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Bag limit
U. S. Highway 51, thence southerly along said Highway 51 to its junction with the southern boundary of the state.....	Feb. 25 through Mar. 26	2 per season
In the counties of Brown, Calumet, that part of Columbia lying south and east of State Highway 73, that part of Dane County lying east of a line beginning at the junction of State Highway 73 with the north boundary of said county and southerly along said Highway 73 to its junction with U. S. Highway 51, thence southerly along said Highway 51 to its junction with the south boundary of said county, all of Dodge County except that part lying west of State Highway 73, Jefferson, Kenosha, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, that part of Rock County lying east of U. S. Highway 51, Sheboygan, Walworth, Washington and Waukesha.....	None	
All other parts of the state of Wisconsin.....	Feb. 25 through Mar. 26	2 per season

**History:** 1-2-56; am. (1), (2), (3), (4), Register, August, 1956, No. 8, eff. 9-1-56; am. (4) (c), (d), (f), Register, January, 1957, No. 13, eff. 2-25-57; am. (1), (2), (3), (4), Register, August, 1957, No. 20, eff. 9-1-57; am. (4) (c), (d) and (f), Register, January, 1958, No. 25, eff. 2-1-58; r. and recr., Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; am. emerg. eff. 10-1-58; 11-17-58; r. and recr. (4) (c), (d) and (f), Register, January, 1959, No. 37, eff. 2-1-59; am. emerg. eff. 3-23-59; 4-10-59; r. and recr. (1) (a), (2) (a), (b), (c), (d), (e); am. (3) (a); r. and recr. (3) (b), (c), (d), (e), (g); am. (4) (c); r. and recr. (4) (e) and (f), Register, August, 1959, No. 44, eff. 9-1-59; r. and recr. (1), Register, September, 1959, No. 45, eff. 10-1-59; r. and recr. (2), (3) (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (g), Register, August, 1960, No. 56, eff. 9-1-60; r. and recr. (1), Register, September, 1960, No. 57, eff. 10-1-60; Emergency rule, r. and recr. (1) (a) eff. 10-16-60; emergency rule, am. (4) (c) eff. 4-10-61; r. and recr. (2) (3) and (4), Register, August, 1961, No. 68, eff. 9-1-61; r. and recr. (1), Register, September, 1961, No. 69, eff. 10-1-61.

**WCD 10.02 Wild animals protected at all times.** (1) There shall be no open season on Canada lynx, timber wolf, badger, woodchuck, moose, elk, marten, fisher, wolverine, flying squirrel, or white deer.

(2) There shall be no open season on prairie chicken, Canada spruce grouse (spruce hen), turkeys, mourning doves, swans, cranes, bitterns, eagles, plovers, sandpipers, all species of hawks and owls except great-horned owls or on any other song birds or wild birds not specified in this chapter.

**History:** 1-2-56; am. (2), Register, August, 1956, No. 8, eff. 9-1-56; am. (1), Register, August, 1957, No. 20, eff. 9-1-57; am. (1) and (2), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; am. (1) emerg. eff. 9-20-58; am. (1), Register, August, 1959, No. 44, eff. 9-1-59.

**WCD 10.03 Wild animals protected with exceptions.** There shall be no open season on kingfishers except on federal, state, and licensed private fish hatcheries, or on great blue heron or cormorant within 1,000 feet of any rookery used by those birds for nesting purposes. There shall be no open season on hen pheasants unless otherwise expressly provided in this chapter.

**History:** 1-2-56; am. Register, August, 1956, No. 8, eff. 9-1-56.

**WCD 10.04 Unprotected wild animals.** (1) There shall be no closed season on coyotes, wildcats, any species of foxes and mutations thereof, opossum, skunk, weasel, and all other wild mammals not specifically mentioned in this chapter.

(2) There shall be no closed season on great-horned owls, crows, starlings, red-winged blackbirds, cowbirds, English sparrows, coturnix quail, and chukar partridge.

**History:** 1-2-56; am. (1), Register, August, 1957, eff. 9-1-57; am. (2), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58.

**WCD 10.05 Highways.** (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to hunt deer or bear in any manner at any time within a distance of 200 feet from the center line of any lettered state forest road, and of any federal, state, or county highway.

(2) It shall be unlawful to hunt waterfowl from any public roads or railroads including the respective right-of-ways along or within the area described in WCD 10.01 (1) (a).

**History:** 1-2-56; am. (1) and (2), Register, August, 1956, No. 8, eff. 9-1-56; am. (1) and (2), Register, August, 1957, No. 20, eff. 9-1-57; r. (1) and (2) and recr. (1), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; cr. (2), Register, September, 1960, No. 57, eff. 10-1-60.

**WCD 10.06 Hunting hours.** (1) All hunting hours when specified in this chapter mean central standard time.

(2) The hunting hours for each species of game, except migratory waterfowl and shorebirds, on which an open season is established (except raccoon and all wild animals for which there is no closed season established for which there are no hunting hour restrictions) shall be from one-half hour before sunrise to sunset as listed in the following table and it shall be unlawful for any person to hunt or shoot such game on any day during the open season before the time listed in the AM column or after the time listed in the PM column.

(2m) The hunting hours for migratory waterfowl and shorebirds shall be from sunrise to sunset except as otherwise provided in subsections WCD 10.01 (1) and 10.15 (4) and it shall be unlawful for any person to hunt or shoot such waterfowl and shore birds on any day during the open season before 30 minutes after the time listed in the AM column or after the time listed in the PM column of the following table:

(3) The hunting hours listed in the following table shall apply to the entire state.

Day	September	October	November	December	January	February	March
	A.M.-P.M.	A.M.-P.M.	A.M.-P.M.	A.M.-P.M.	A.M.-P.M.	A.M.-P.M.	A.M.-P.M.
1	4:51-6:32	5:24-5:39	6:01-4:50	6:38-4:24	6:58-4:33	6:42-5:09	6:04-5:46
2	4:52-6:31	5:25-5:37	6:02-4:48	6:39-4:23	6:59-4:34	6:41-5:11	6:02-5:47
3	4:53-6:29	5:26-5:35	6:04-4:47	6:40-4:23	6:59-4:35	6:40-5:12	6:00-5:49
4	4:54-6:27	5:27-5:34	6:05-4:46	6:41-4:23	6:59-4:36	6:39-5:13	5:59-5:50
5	4:55-6:25	5:28-5:32	6:06-4:45	6:42-4:23	6:59-4:37	6:38-5:15	5:57-5:51
6	4:56-6:24	5:30-5:30	6:08-4:43	6:44-4:22	6:58-4:38	6:37-5:16	5:55-5:52
7	4:57-6:22	5:31-5:28	6:09-4:42	6:44-4:22	6:58-4:39	6:36-5:17	5:54-5:54
8	4:59-6:20	5:32-5:27	6:10-4:41	6:45-4:22	6:58-4:40	6:34-5:19	5:52-5:55
9	5:00-6:18	5:33-5:25	6:11-4:40	6:46-4:22	6:58-4:41	6:33-5:20	5:50-5:56
10	5:01-6:17	5:34-5:23	6:13-4:39	6:47-4:22	6:58-4:42	6:32-5:21	5:48-5:57
11	5:02-6:15	5:35-5:22	6:14-4:38	6:47-4:22	6:57-4:43	6:31-5:23	5:47-5:58
12	5:03-6:13	5:37-5:20	6:15-4:37	6:49-4:22	6:57-4:44	6:29-5:24	5:45-6:00
13	5:04-6:11	5:38-5:18	6:17-4:36	6:50-4:23	6:57-4:45	6:28-5:25	5:43-6:01
14	5:05-6:09	5:39-5:17	6:18-4:35	6:51-4:23	6:56-4:46	6:27-5:27	5:42-6:02
15	5:06-6:08	5:40-5:15	6:19-4:34	6:51-4:23	6:56-4:48	6:25-5:28	5:40-6:03
16	5:07-6:06	5:41-5:13	6:20-4:33	6:52-4:23	6:55-4:49	6:24-5:29	5:38-6:04
17	5:08-6:04	5:43-5:12	6:22-4:32	6:53-4:24	6:55-4:50	6:22-5:31	5:36-6:06
18	5:10-6:02	5:44-5:10	6:23-4:31	6:53-4:24	6:54-4:51	6:21-5:32	5:34-6:07
19	5:11-6:00	5:45-5:09	6:24-4:30	6:54-4:24	6:54-4:52	6:19-5:33	5:33-6:08
20	5:12-5:59	5:46-5:07	6:25-4:30	6:55-4:25	6:53-4:54	6:18-5:35	5:31-6:09
21	5:13-5:57	5:47-5:05	6:27-4:29	6:55-4:25	6:52-4:55	6:16-5:36	5:29-6:10
22	5:14-5:55	5:49-5:04	6:28-4:28	6:55-4:25	6:52-4:56	6:15-5:37	5:27-6:11
23	5:15-5:53	5:50-5:02	6:29-4:28	6:56-4:26	6:51-4:58	6:13-5:38	5:26-6:13
24	5:16-5:51	5:51-5:01	6:30-4:27	6:56-4:27	6:50-5:00	6:12-5:40	5:24-6:14
25	5:17-5:50	5:52-4:59	6:31-4:26	6:56-4:27	6:49-5:02	6:10-5:41	5:22-6:15
26	5:18-5:48	5:54-4:58	6:33-4:26	6:57-4:28	6:48-5:03	6:08-5:42	5:20-6:16
27	5:19-5:46	5:55-4:56	6:34-4:25	6:58-4:29	6:47-5:04	6:07-5:44	5:19-6:17
28	5:20-5:44	5:56-4:55	6:35-4:25	6:58-4:29	6:47-5:05	6:05-5:45	5:17-6:18
29	5:22-5:42	5:57-4:54	6:36-4:24	6:58-4:30	6:46-5:05	6:04-5:46	5:15-6:20
30	5:23-5:41	5:59-4:52	6:37-4:24	6:58-4:31	6:45-5:07	-----	5:13-6:21
31	-----	6:00-4:51	-----	6:58-4:32	6:44-5:08	-----	5:11-6:22

**History:** 1-2-56; am. (2); cr. (2m), Register, August, 1956, No. 8, eff. 9-1-56; am. (2m), Register, August, 1957, No. 20, eff. 9-1-57; am. (2), (2m) and (3), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; r. and recr. Register, August, 1959, No. 44, eff. 9-1-59; am. (2), cr. (2m), Register, September, 1959, No. 45, eff. 10-1-59; am. (2) and r. (2m), Register, September, 1960, No. 57, eff. 10-1-60; am. (2), cr. (2m), Register, September, 1961, No. 69, eff. 10-1-61.

**WCD 10.07 Hunting, prohibited methods.** (1) No person shall hunt game with any means other than the use of a gun discharged from the shoulder or a bow and arrow, except that .22 rim-fire hand guns and pellet guns of .177 caliber or larger may be used in the same manner and for the same purposes and subject to the same restrictions as .22 rim-fire rifles.

(2) No person shall place, spread, or set any net, pitfall, snare, spring gun, pivot gun, swivel gun, or other similar contrivance for the purpose of catching or which might catch, take or ensnare game; nor with the aid of an airplane, including the use of an airplane to spot, rally, or drive game for hunters on the ground, except that foxes and coyotes may be spotted, but not shot, from aircraft from January 1 through March 31.

(3) No person shall carry with him in or on any motor-driven boat while the motor is running, any firearm or bow unless such firearm is unloaded and unless such bow is unstrung; or in or on any vehicle or automobile any firearm or bow unless such firearm is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case and unless such bow is unstrung or enclosed within a carrying case; nor load or shoot any firearms or bow and arrow in, on or from any automobile, aircraft, or other vehicle, stationary or moving; nor shall any person have in his possession or under his control any firearm or bow and arrow in or on any vehicle or automobile while shining any wild animal.

(4) It shall be unlawful for any person to shoot into or molest or destroy the nest of any squirrel at any time of the year.

(5) No person shall take, catch, kill, pursue, hunt, shoot, or shoot at any upland game bird, or migratory game bird with a rifle or with a shotgun loaded with single ball or slug or shot larger than No. BB at any time.

(6) No person shall hunt or pursue any wild animals in the nighttime with a dog for the period of 15 days prior to the open season for raccoon.

(7) (a) No person shall use or have in his possession or under his control any ferret, fitch, rat, weasel or guinea pig while hunting, except as provided in this subsection. The owner or occupant of any land where rabbits are found to be doing damage may request from the state conservation commission a permit to use a ferret or fitch for hunting rabbits thereon.

(b) No person shall have in his possession or under his control or use, for hunting rabbits, any snare, trap or any device or contrivance designed or used for the purpose of driving rabbits out of their holes or dens.

(8) It shall be unlawful for any person to fail to make every reasonable effort to retrieve all game birds killed or crippled by him; and until such effort is made, such game birds shall be included in his daily bag.

**History:** 1-2-56; am. (2), Register, August, 1957, No. 20, eff. 9-1-57; am. (5), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; r. and recr. (1) and (3), Register, August, 1960, No. 56, eff. 9-1-60; cr. (8), Register, September, 1961, No. 69, eff. 10-1-61.

**WCD 10.08 History:** 1-2-56; r. Register, August, 1960, No. 56, eff. 9-1-60.

Register, September, 1961, No. 69

**WCD 10.09 Guns and ammunition.** (1) No person shall, except on his own land, have in possession or under his control any rifle or shot gun on any of the inland waters of the state or in places where wild ducks, geese or coot are to be found from the fifteenth day of August to the opening date for hunting aquatic or upland game birds.

(2) It shall be unlawful for any person to carry or have in his possession or under control while hunting or pursuing any game birds, game animals or other wild animals any shotshells loaded with single slug or ball except during the open firearm season for deer or bear or any shell, cartridge or ammunition known as tracer shells, burning tracer shells or any incendiary shells or cartridges which may be discharged from any shotgun, rifle or other firearms, except hunter distress flares.

(3) No person shall have in possession any rifle in territory wherein there is an open season for hunting deer with shotgun only during such open season unless such rifle is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case, except that smooth-bore muzzle-loading muskets of not less than .45 caliber may be possessed and used for the hunting of deer during such open season.

(4) During the period of three days prior to the opening date for hunting deer with firearms, no person shall have in possession any firearm in the area north of state highway 29, wherein there is an open season for deer with firearms, unless the firearm is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case, except that waterfowl hunters shall be permitted to hunt waterfowl continually during the open season.

(5) During the open season for hunting deer with firearms, it shall be unlawful for any person to carry in any manner or have in possession or under control any .22 rim-fire rifle in the area north of state highway 29, wherein there is an open season for hunting deer with firearms, unless said rifle is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case; and it shall be unlawful for any person to carry in any manner or have in possession or under control shot larger than No. BB in counties or parts of counties where an open season for hunting deer with firearms has been established from three days prior to the opening of a deer season through the close of such season while in, on, or traversing any field or forest lands.

(6) It shall be unlawful for any person to take, capture, or kill or wound or shoot at any deer or bear with any .22 rim-fire rifle or any .410 bore shotgun.

**History:** 1-2-56; am. (6), Register, August, 1956, No. 8, eff. 9-1-56; am. (3), (4), (5), (6), Register, August, 1957, No. 20, eff. 9-1-57; am. (4) and (5), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; r. and recr. (4), (5), (6) and r. (7) Register, August, 1959, No. 44, eff. 9-1-59; am. (2), Register, August, 1960, No. 56, eff. 9-1-60; am. (2), Register, August, 1961, No. 68, eff. 9-1-61.

**WCD 10.10 Deer and bear hunting.** (1) No person while hunting or in possession of firearms or bow and arrow shall have in possession or under control any light used for the purpose of shining deer.

(2) No person shall hunt deer or bear in the water of any stream, lake, or pond; or with a dog or dogs; or with the aid of artificial light; or with the aid of an airplane, including the use of an airplane to spot, rally, or drive deer for hunters on the ground; nor place any salt in any place for the purpose of enticing deer thereto; nor con-

struct, occupy, or use any tree, elevated scaffold or other elevated device for the purpose of hunting, watching for, or killing deer or bear.

**WCD 10.11 Bow and arrow hunting.** (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to have in possession or under control any gun or firearms at any time while hunting, killing, or pursuing game with bow and arrow during the open season for hunting deer with bow and arrow only.

(2) Any deer killed during such open season showing evidence that it was shot with a firearm shall be an illegal deer and it shall be unlawful for any person to have such deer in his possession.

(3) No person shall use or have in his possession or under his control while hunting any wild animal or bird any poisoned arrow, arrow with explosive tips, or any bow drawn, held or released by mechanical means. Arrows used for hunting deer or bear shall have well-sharpened metal broad-head blades not less than seven-eighths of an inch in width, and not more than one and one-half inches in width.

(4) No person shall hunt deer or bear with a bow having a pull of less than 30 pounds.

**WCD 10.115 Deer hunting party permit.** (1) The commission finds, pursuant to s. 29.107, Wis. Stats., that the population of deer is such that an additional harvest is reasonably necessary to manage the deer herd properly in the state in balance with the available range and natural food supply, and there shall be open seasons for deer hunting by deer hunting parties, pursuant to s. 29.107, Wis. Stats., as established in s. WCD 10.01 (3) (e).

(2) It shall be unlawful for any member of the deer hunting party to hunt deer under the authority of such permit unless he is in possession of the deer tag and permit and is wearing the arm band on the sleeve of his outermost garment. The arm band shall be surrendered to the officer at the time the hunting party permit deer is presented for registration.

**History:** Cr. Register, October, 1957, No. 22, eff. 11-1-57; r. (1), (2) and (3) and recr. (1) and (2), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; am. (2), Register, August, 1959, No. 44, eff. 9-1-59.

**WCD 10.12 Migratory waterfowl.** (1) **PROHIBITED METHODS.** (a) No person shall hunt any wild ducks, geese, coot (mudhen), rails or gallinules by shooting it or at it from any boat, canoe, raft, blind, contrivance or device in open water except as otherwise provided in this section, or from any boat or craft other than such as are propelled by paddle, oars or pole, or with the use of any decoys beyond 200 feet from the blind or covering in which the hunter is located, or leave any decoys in the water unattended, or hunt any game bird with the use of a rifle.

(b) No person shall shoot or shoot at migratory waterfowl from any pier, dam, dock, or similar structure or by the use or aid of recorded bird calls or sounds or recorded or electrically amplified imitations of bird calls or sounds.

(c) No person shall take waterfowl or coot by means, aid or use of cattle, horses or mules.

(d) No person shall use in any manner any water, air or motor-driven land conveyance for the purpose of or resulting in the concentrating, driving, rallying or stirring up of waterfowl and coots.



(e) It shall be unlawful for any person to use in any manner any sink boat or similar blind that is or can be submerged under the water in any manner for the purpose of hunting, taking, catching, killing, molesting or shooting at any wild ducks, wild geese, coot, or any other aquatic or migratory game birds, nor shall any person leave any waterfowl decoys unattended in the water during the open waterfowl hunting season, nor leave such decoys in the water after 20 minutes after the closing time prescribed for hunting or killing such birds or before one hour before the opening time for shooting such birds.

(f) It shall be unlawful to hunt waterfowl except from a blind during the open season for geese within the area described in subsection 10.01 (1) (a), and not more than 3 persons shall occupy any blind at one time, nor shall any person hunt waterfowl from a blind placed within 200 yards of any other blind occupied by one or more waterfowl hunters or within 100 yards of the boundary of the property on which such blind is located. However, the owner, occupant or lessee of a tract of land which is too small to meet the foregoing spacing requirements and which was partitioned by an instrument executed and recorded before January 1, 1961, may place one blind on such tract at the approximate center thereof. No blind shall be placed within 75 yards of the boundary of the Horicon National Wildlife Refuge. Retrieving downed birds will be permitted outside blinds. For the purpose of this paragraph, "blind" means any framed enclosure or pit not more than 15 feet in its greatest dimension and camouflaged to provide concealment to hunters within.

(g) No person shall possess any live or crippled migratory game bird reduced to possession by means of hunting. Such bird shall be immediately killed and become a part of the daily bag limit.

(2) OPEN WATER; EXCEPTIONS. (a) "Open water" is any water outside or beyond a natural growth of vegetation extending over the water surface and of such height as to offer partial or whole concealment for the hunter.

(b) Blinds in Buffalo, Crawford, Grant, La Crosse, Pepin, Pierce, St. Croix, Trempealeau and Vernon counties. In any of the waters of the Mississippi river, the St. Croix river, Lake St. Croix and Lake Pepin, and their bays, bayous and sloughs wherein they border on the counties of Buffalo, Crawford, Grant, La Crosse, Pepin, Pierce, St. Croix, Trempealeau and Vernon and in any of the inland lakes of these counties, it shall be lawful for any person to use blinds for the purpose of taking, catching, killing and shooting at wild ducks, wild geese or other aquatic fowl that are set, placed, or located not more than 100 feet from any shoreline during the open season for such game birds. Such blinds shall in all instances be securely anchored to the place or spot where they are to be used.

(c) It shall be lawful for any person to hunt wild ducks, wild geese, and other aquatic fowl during the open season therefor in open water in any of the outlying waters of Lake Superior and Lake Michigan under the jurisdiction of the state of Wisconsin excepting Green Bay and the open water area within 500 feet of any shoreline of said lakes.

(3) BAITING. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to hunt, catch or kill any waterfowl or migratory game birds under any

circumstances by the aid or use of salt or shelled or shucked or unshucked corn, wheat or other grains or other feed or means of feeding similarly used to lure, attract or entice such birds to, on, or over the area where hunters are attempting to take them.

(b) This subsection shall not be construed to apply to propagating, scientific or other operations in accordance with the terms of lawfully issued state and federal permits, or to the taking of birds over salt blocks, properly shocked corn, standing crops (including aquatics), grains found scattered solely as a result of normal agricultural practices, flooded standing crops or flooded harvested crop lands, or to the feeding of migratory game birds at any time not in connection with hunting.

(4) **LIVE DECOYS.** It shall be unlawful in the hunting of any migratory waterfowl to use directly or indirectly any live duck or live goose decoys, regardless of the distance intervening between any such live decoys and the position of the hunter.

(5) **GUNS AND AMMUNITION.** (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to take, catch, kill, hunt, or pursue any migratory bird or waterfowl with any shotgun of a larger bore than a No. 10 gauge nor shall any person take, catch, kill, hunt, pursue or shoot at any migratory birds or waterfowl with any automatic-loading or hand-operated repeating shotgun capable of holding more than three shells the magazine of which has not been cut off or plugged with a one-piece filler incapable of removal without disassembling the gun so as to reduce the capacity of said gun to not more than three shells at one time in the magazine and chamber combined nor by any means other than a shotgun fired from the shoulder or a bow and arrow.

(c) It shall be unlawful for any person to use or have in his possession or under his control more than one gun while hunting migratory waterfowl in any manner.

**History:** 1-2-56; am. (2) (c), (3) (a), (4), (5) (c), Register, August, 1956, No. 8, eff. 9-1-56; am. (1) (e) and (2) (c) and r. (5) (b), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; am. (1) (b); r. and recr. (1) (d); cr. (1) (f) and (g); am. (5) (a), Register, September, 1960, No. 57, eff. 10-1-60; r. and recr. (1) (f), Register, August, 1961, No. 68, eff. 9-1-61.

**WCD 10.13 Fur-bearing animals; method of taking.** (1) No person shall hunt any mink, muskrat, beaver, or otter with the aid of any spear, gun, or dog, disturb or molest any raccoon den or den trees; disturb or molest any mink den, or disturb or molest any muskrat house, muskrat feeding house, beaver house, or beaver dam, or set any trap or traps at any time within 50 feet of any beaver house or beaver dam, except during the open season for beaver, when it shall be lawful to set traps for beaver not less than 15 feet from any such beaver house, and not less than 30 feet from any such beaver dam.

(2) No person shall set out or place any traps for fur-bearing animals, whether set or sprung, or set out or place any bait or scent for attracting fur-bearing animals thereto during the closed season for such animals.

(3) It shall be unlawful for any person to set or reset any trap or traps or attend any trapline from sunset to one hour before sunrise.

(4) It shall be unlawful for any person to set, place, or operate more than 75 traps of any kind for the purpose of capturing wild fur-bearing animals.

(5) It shall be unlawful for any person to take, capture, or kill, or attempt to take, capture, or kill any fur-bearing animals at any time by means of water sets except during that period when and in those areas where there is an open season for trapping muskrat, beaver, or otter. A water set is any trap which is set or staked in such manner as to permit the trap or trapped animal to reach the water at any point.

**WCD 10.14 Trapping, prohibited methods.** (1) No person shall set a steel-jawed trap or any trap which might kill or injure birds, on a pole, post, tree stump, or any other elevated perch more than 3 feet above the ground.

(2) It shall be unlawful for any person to set, place, or operate any trap other than a steel-jawed trap, chain-loop trap, or live traps so constructed that not more than one animal can be taken or captured in any such trap at a single setting, for the purpose of taking, capturing, or killing fur-bearing animals.

(3) No person shall construct or place on the ice of any of the waters of this state any artificial house or den for the purpose of taking, catching, or killing any fur-bearing animals, or place or set therein any trap or traps of any kind which might take, catch, or kill fur-bearing animals.

**WCD 10.15 Horicon National Wildlife Refuge.** (4) **HORICON MANAGED GOOSE HUNT.** (a) The open season for hunting geese on the Horicon National Wildlife Refuge shall begin on October 7 at 12:00 noon. Daily shooting hours shall be from sunrise to 2:00 p.m. The daily bag limit shall be one goose of any species.

(b) Hunting on the managed hunting unit on the Horicon National Wildlife Refuge is permitted under permit only as authorized by the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife.

(c) Hunting on such refuge shall be done only under the following conditions:

The Horicon National Wildlife Refuge is divided into 2 units as follows:

1. *Managed hunting unit.* The managed hunting unit varies in width, but is not more than 440 yards wide as marked by single strand of wire, or as posted by the Wisconsin Conservation Department. A single row of blinds spaced approximately 200 yards apart shall be provided by the Wisconsin Conservation Department to accommodate not more than three hunters per blind.

2. *Refuge unit.* The refuge unit shall include all land in the Horicon National Wildlife Refuge not designated above as the managed hunting unit. Within this unit, it shall be unlawful to hunt in any manner at any time.

3. *Reservations.* Reservations for hunting in the managed hunting unit may be obtained under the following conditions:

a. Reservation requests by mail only on official application forms will be accepted at the Wisconsin Conservation Department, Madison. Such requests must be postmarked no later than September 15. Applications which are postmarked after that date will be rejected.

b. Only one application form may be submitted per person, and each applicant must possess a valid small game hunting license at the time of making application. Anyone who submits more than one (1) application for a reservation will have all applications rejected.

c. Selections of mailed application forms will be made by random drawing from all eligible applications submitted.

d. Reservations are not transferable and the person whose name appears on the reservation must present the reservation in person at the designated check station. A reservation will entitle the applicant to bring not more than two (2) guests with him.

e. Only one reservation by mail per applicant may be obtained. Hunters are not limited in the number of permits as guests of a reservation holder, however, hunters in the waiting line shall be allowed only three (3) permits and may be permitted to hunt thereafter only if no other hunters are waiting in line. Hunting licenses shall be marked for each of said three permits from the waiting line.

f. All reservations for any one day will be valid only up to one-half hour before the daily shooting time.

4. *Managed hunting unit prohibitions.* Within the managed hunting unit it shall be unlawful to:

a. Enter without first having obtained the necessary permit (arm band) in person at one of the checking stations. Such permit shall be valid for only one day.

b. Leave the immediate vicinity of the managed hunting unit without first surrendering the permit in person at the checking station where it was obtained. The immediate vicinity of the managed hunting unit is defined as the special area in which the 2 p.m. daily closing hour is in effect as described in subsection WCD 10.01 (1) (a).

5. Blinds will be assigned in numerical sequence at the time reservations are drawn. Reservation confirmations will contain assigned blind number. Vacant blinds will be issued on a first come-first served basis.

6. Hunters without reservations must form a line to apply for blinds, and trailers and busses will not be permitted in the line. Automobiles must be occupied at all times by persons without reservations desiring to register for blinds.

7. Hunters must register in person for blinds, and must submit their hunting licenses for inspection.

8. Arm bands to hunt on the unit are non-transferable and no permittee shall occupy or shoot from any other than his assigned blind.

9. Hunters may use their own decoys.

10. A service fee of three dollars per blind per trip shall be paid by each party. A party consists of from 1 to 3 hunters.

11. Hunters must keep their guns unloaded and enclosed in a carrying case at all times except while occupying assigned blinds.

12. Dogs are not allowed on the managed hunting unit.

13. No person shall leave any refuse in any blind or in the managed hunting unit, and immediately upon terminating his hunting trip shall deposit all refuse in containers provided at managed hunting unit access points.

14. When finished hunting, each hunter must surrender, in person, his numbered arm band at the checking station through which he entered, and there submit for examination such game as he may have bagged, not later than 3:30 p.m.

15. Hunters must park at designated access points and driving to and from blinds is prohibited.

(5) Except as provided in section WCD 10.15 (1) (2) (3) (4) (6) and (7), no person shall take, catch, kill, hunt, trap, or pursue in any manner any species of wild animals or birds at any time or have in possession or under control any firearm unless the same is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case or any bow and arrow unless the same is unstrung or enclosed within a carrying case upon that area known as the Horicon National Wildlife Refuge.

(6) HUNTING AND TRAPPING. (a) Within the discretion of the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, an open season for trapping muskrat, mink and raccoon within the Horicon National Wildlife Refuge may be declared under written permit from the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife or its authorized representative and with the approval of the conservation director between the dates of October 25 and the succeeding April 15. Open seasons for hunting or trapping all other fur-bearing animals within the Horicon National Wildlife Refuge may be declared in the same manner at any time during the state season on such fur-bearing animals. Such permits shall be subject to all other rules and regulations governing hunting and trapping set forth in this chapter except that the use of not more than 125 traps and the use of wet or dry sets may be authorized by such permits.

(7) An open season for hunting deer with bow and arrow shall be established on the Horicon National Wildlife Refuge and said season shall fall within the state-wide season for bow and arrow established in section WCD 10.01 (3) (e). Such open season shall be effective only in those areas on the Horicon National Wildlife Refuge designated by posted notices of the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife. No special permits shall be required but hunting licenses and deer tag as required by statutes are necessary.

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**WCD 10.16 Necedah National Wildlife Refuge, Juneau County.** Except as provided in subs. (1), (2) and (3) of this section, 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 the same is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case or any bow and arrow unless the same is unstrung or enclosed in a carrying case, upon that area known as the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge, Juneau county, Wisconsin.

(1) Within the discretion of the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife an open season for the taking of fur-bearing animals may be declared within the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge upon written approval of the conservation commission, which shall designate the species to be taken and establish opening and closing dates. Trapping on the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge shall be conducted under written permit from the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife.

Such permit shall be subject to all the rules and regulations governing trapping set forth in this chapter.

(2) An open season for hunting deer with bow and arrow shall be established on the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge and said season shall be concurrent with the state-wide season for bow and arrow established in s. WCD 10.01 (3) (e). Such open season shall be effective only in those areas on the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge designated by posted notices of the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife. No special permits shall be required but hunting license and deer tag as required by statutes are necessary.

(3) An open season for hunting deer with firearms shall be established on the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge and such season shall fall within the season established for the remainder of Juneau county in s. WCD 10.01 (3) (e). Such open season shall be effective only on those areas on the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge designated by posted notice of the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife. No special permits shall be required but hunting license and deer tag as required by statutes are necessary and other regulations as outlined for the remainder of Juneau county under s. WCD 10.01 (3) (e) shall apply.

**History:** 1-2-56, am. (1) and (2), Register, August, 1956, No. 8, eff. 9-1-56; am. intro. par., (1) and (2), Register, August, 1957, No. 20, eff. 9-1-57; r. intro. par., (1) and (2), and recr. intro. par., (1) and (2), and cr. (3), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; am. (3), Register, September, 1959, No. 45, eff. 10-1-59.

**WCD 10.19 Transportation of deer.** It shall be unlawful for any person to transport any deer in or on any motor-driven vehicle from the time such deer is killed to the time it is lawfully registered pursuant to section WCD 10.20, unless the deer is carried openly exposed and in such manner so that the deer tag attached to the deer cannot be handled or manipulated by any occupant of the vehicle.

**History:** Cr. Register, August, 1960, No. 56, eff. 9-1-60.

**WCD 10.20 Recording of deer and bear.** (1) GUN SEASONS. (a) Each person who has killed a deer or bear during the open seasons for hunting such animals with guns shall exhibit such deer with his deer tag attached as required by sub. 29.40 (1), Wis. Stats., or such bear to an authorized registration station or an authorized conservation department employe in the county where such deer or bear was killed or in the adjoining county, but within the area included within the open season zone in which such deer or bear was killed, not later than 10:00 p.m. of the first day following the close of such season. Such deer or bear shall be wholly intact except that it may be field dressed. Upon approval of the registration officer, he shall attach a special tag and such tag shall remain attached to such deer or bear or part thereof until such carcass or part thereof is finally consumed. Such deer or bear or part thereof shall not be removed from the area included in the open season zone in which it was killed nor beyond the limits of the county adjoining that in which it was killed unless it has been so exhibited and tagged.

(b) Any deer taken on any of the islands in the outlying waters of Lake Superior in Ashland and Bayfield counties shall be exhibited and tagged pursuant to paragraph (1) (a) at the registration station in the City of Bayfield.

(c) At least two members of the deer hunting party shall be present at the time a deer taken under the authority of a deer hunting party permit is presented for registration.

(d) Any person who has killed a bear in any area during the closed season for hunting deer with firearms in such areas shall exhibit and register such bear as provided in paragraph (1) (a) except that such carcass shall be exhibited within 24 hours after taking or killing thereof.

(2) RECORDING OF DEER AND BEAR TAKEN DURING THE BOW AND ARROW ONLY SEASON. Each person who has killed a deer or bear during the open season for hunting such animals with bow and arrow only shall exhibit and register such deer or bear as provided in subsection 1, except that the carcass of such deer or bear shall be exhibited within 24 hours after the taking or killing thereof.

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**WCD 10.21 Possession of game.** (1) Opening day limits. On the opening day, no person shall have in his possession or under his control more than a daily bag limit of upland game birds, gray or fox squirrels, cottontail rabbits, jackrabbits and snowshoe hares, or migratory game birds for which an open season is prescribed.

(3) Except as provided in s. 29.579, Wis. Stats., no person shall keep alive in captivity any animal or bird on which there is a closed season at any time unless a game or fur farm license has been first obtained from the state conservation commission.

**History:** 1-2-56; r. (2), Register, August, 1956, No. 8, eff. 9-1-56.

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