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Most Counties page 39

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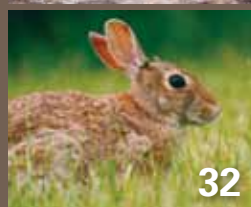
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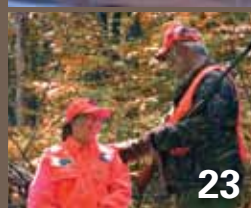
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Dear Friends,
Donning of the familiar camouflage patterns and fluorescent orange signals the start of another great season of hunting. Marylanders are fortunate to have access to the fertile soils, abundant refuge areas and excellent habitats that produce quality game.

Hunters and trappers continue to pass this ritual from generation to generation, as our State provides the opportunity for all citizens to safely, fairly and ethically enjoy this traditional outdoor experience. Each spring and fall junior hunting events are held to cultivate this age old tradition. Nourishing and teaching our children about this abundant and storied hunting heritage is in many ways a rite of passage.

Families that share this time with their sons and daughters are encouraging them to continue on as stewards and keepers of the land. We are grateful to each of you for your commitment to the land and water we share and love.

As we release this year's *Guide to Hunting and Trapping*, I offer my deepest thanks for the important contributions you make to the State of Maryland and to our future generations.

Wishing you a safe and fruitful season,

Martin O'Malley, Governor



John R. Griffin

Greetings,
As the early morning haze greets hunters across our grand State, the anticipation of another great season of hunting and trapping is realized. For many, waking up before the crack of dawn and venturing outdoors to our fields, forests and wetlands is a time-honored tradition.

Unfortunately, last year we were too often reminded that our enthusiasm for these pursuits must be balanced with safety precautions. Tree stands are a widely used piece of hunting equipment and are the leading cause of hunter injuries in Maryland. Nationally, more than 50 percent of all hunting accidents are tree stand-related.

Most tree stand accidents occur when moving from a climbing device to the tree stand and back onto the climbing device. Other injuries occur when the tree stand fails (usually homemade stands) or from incorrect installation of a manufactured stand.

The Department of Natural Resources cares about your safety. When using a tree stand, only climb healthy trees and always use a full-body safety harness as part of your fall restraint system. Before venturing out to your favorite spot, take the time to visit our website (dnr.state.md.us/huntersguide) where you will find more tips on properly using a tree stand, and a video on tree stand safety.

All of us at the Department hope this season brings you a bountiful harvest and many memorable, safe experiences.

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Paul A. Peditto (right)

Welcome to another season of great opportunities for Maryland hunters and trappers. This year promises to be another wonderful season. Abundant wildlife populations coupled to an increase in excellent public hunting lands across the state provide a superb foundation for making memories and putting wild game on the table.

Unfortunately this season dawns as the dark cloud of poaching hangs over the Chesapeake. Although the bad news this spring was borne of the bad acts of illegal fisherman, those rockfish poaching incidents serve as a strong reminder to hunters and trappers that poachers remain an unfortunate part of the fish and wildlife paradigm. We need to work together to eliminate this threat to our wild resources and our reputation.

Ethical hunters and trappers remain the most important deterrent to illegal hunting and trapping. You represent more than 100,000 licensed and legal observers in the field and forest. If you see something suspicious report it to a local DNR office or call our 24-hour poaching hotline at 1-800-635-6124. All calls can remain anonymous and rewards are available for tips leading to arrests and convictions.

Like it or not, the reputation of all legitimate hunters and trappers is tied to the reputation of the entire community. As we learned during the unfortunate rockfish poaching incidents, the bad acts of a few, stole more than wild resources that belong to you and I—those acts impugn the reputation of all of us who enjoy the legal and ethical pursuit of wild game.

This season do your part to shut down poaching and ensure the future is filled with good news about hunting and trapping and the recreational opportunities we so richly enjoy today!

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Headquarters

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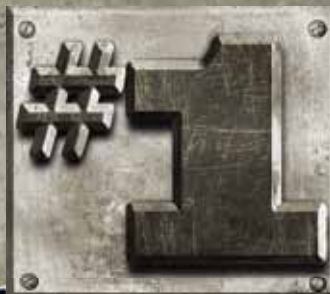
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HUNTER & TRAPPER EDUCATION

HUNTER EDUCATION

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The Maryland Natural Resources Police (NRP) provide the Hunter Education Course required to receive the Certificate of Competency in Firearms and Hunter Safety.

Information about Hunter Education Courses, Boating Safety Education Courses, and Trapper Education is available from any NRP regional office (see page 8), the Maryland Natural Resources Police Safety Education Section 305 Marine Academy Drive, Suite 1, Stevensville, MD 21666, 410-643-8502, or by visiting the DNR website at www.dnr.maryland.gov.

MARYLAND HUNTER EDUCATION INTERNET COURSE

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Hunting licenses are valid from issuance to July 31, 2012, except the nonresident 3-day waterfowl and small game license.

HUNTER EDUCATION and SAFETY REQUIREMENT

To hunt or purchase a hunting license in Maryland, State law requires:

- Presentation of a Certificate of Competency in Firearms and Hunting Safety (required for junior licenses), or
- Certification that you held a hunting license issued prior to July 1, 1977, or
- Certification that you hunted on private property prior to July 1, 1977, and were legally exempt from purchasing a hunting license, or
- Certification that you are purchasing a nonresident license and will only hunt waterfowl.

Exception: Compliance with the Hunter Education and Safety Requirement does not apply to those shooting under a Regulated Shooting Area Hunting License. See pages 14 (Regulated Shooting Area Hunting License) and 28 (Regulated Shooting Area Requirements).

See page 10 for Maryland Hunter Education information.

Note: RESIDENT Junior Hunters (under 16 years of age) will be entitled to a one-time FREE annual hunting license, bow stamp, and muzzleloader stamp upon successful completion of a Hunter Education course (bring form provided by course instructor to any DNR Licensing and Registration Service Center, see page 8).

FULL SEASON HUNTING LICENSE

Allows you to hunt all legal game birds and mammals in season without the need for additional stamps, except: (1) deer during bow season; (2) deer during muzzleloader season; (3) migratory game birds; and (4) furbearers. A Bonus Antlered Deer Stamp may also be used with these licenses.

Resident Regular Hunting License.....\$24.50
(Age 16 to 64)

Resident Junior Hunting License\$10.50
(Under 16 years of age, written permission of parent or guardian required)

Resident Senior Hunting License.....\$5.00
(Age 65 and above, may be purchased in the calendar year in which a resident attains the age of 65.)

Holders of Senior Lifetime Consolidated Licenses

This license has been eliminated, but persons who already hold this license are “grandfathered” and do not need to purchase the Senior Hunting License, Bow or Muzzleloader Stamps. However, they must buy a Bonus Antlered Deer Stamp (to hunt a bonus antlered deer), a Maryland Migratory Game Bird Stamp (to hunt migratory game birds), a DNR Managed Hunt Permit (where required), and a Furbearer Permit (to hunt or chase furbearers). A Big Game Harvest Record may be obtained at no charge from any DNR agent location or in person or by mail from any DNR Service Center.

Nonresident Hunting License.....\$130.00
(Age 16 and above)

Nonresident Junior Hunting License\$65.00
(Under 16 years of age, written permission of parent or guardian required)

SHORT TERM LICENSE

Nonresident 3-Day

Waterfowl and Small Game License\$45.00
Allows nonresidents of Maryland to hunt all legal game except deer, bear, and turkey for 3 consecutive legal hunting days. A Maryland Migratory Game Bird Stamp is required to hunt migratory game birds and a Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp is required to hunt waterfowl. A Furbearer Permit is required to hunt, chase, or trap furbearers.

STAMPS

Maryland Migratory Game Bird Stamp\$9.00
This stamp is required for all migratory game bird hunters (coots, doves, rails, snipe, waterfowl, and woodcock), including persons not required to have a hunting license and holders of senior hunting licenses. Hunters must possess the printed receipt showing proof of purchase of the Maryland Migratory Game Bird Stamp while hunting migratory game birds. Migratory game bird hunters are not required to sign and attach the Maryland Migratory Game Bird Stamp to their license. The Harvest Information Program (HIP) permit (see page 28) is issued in conjunction with the Maryland Migratory Game Bird Stamp.

Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp

- At U.S. Post Offices and at www.duckstamp.com\$15.00
- From sport license agents,
DNR online licensing, and DNR
Licensing and Registration Service Centers\$17.00

This stamp (the federal duck stamp) is required for all waterfowl hunters, including those who are not required to purchase a hunting license, except those under the age of 16. The stamp must be signed in ink to be valid. If you order your stamp online at duckstamp.com, you will receive a purchase code. If you purchase your stamp from a sport license agent, DNR online licensing, or a DNR Licensing and Registration Center, you will receive a printed receipt. Both the purchase code and the printed receipt will be accepted as evidence of the purchase for 45 days and must be possessed while hunting waterfowl and coots. The paper stamp will be mailed to the purchaser. The proof of purchase will expire after 45 days and the purchaser must then possess the stamp, signed in ink, while hunting waterfowl and coots.

Bow Stamp*

Required to hunt deer during Bow Season with valid hunting license. This includes crossbows.

- **Resident Bow Stamp**.....\$6.00
- **Nonresident Bow Stamp**\$25.00

Muzzleloader Stamp*

Required to hunt deer during Muzzleloader Season with valid hunting license. This includes bowhunters that hunt with vertical bows and crossbows during the Muzzleloader Season.

- **Resident Muzzleloader Stamp**\$6.00
- **Nonresident Muzzleloader Stamp**\$25.00

Bonus Antlered Deer Stamp*

A Bonus Antlered Deer Stamp allows you to take one (1) additional antlered white-tailed deer for each Bonus Antlered Deer Stamp purchased, within the established bag limits for a given Deer Management Region (see pages 37–40). The Bonus Antlered Deer Stamp is to be used only after two antlerless deer are taken within the same season. Bonus Antlered Deer Stamps must be purchased



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prior to pursuing a bonus antlered deer. Bonus Antlered Deer Stamps are not season-specific and the stamp may be used during the bow, muzzleloader, or firearm season.

- **Resident Bonus Antlered Deer Stamp** \$10.00
- **Nonresident Bonus Antlered Deer Stamp** \$25.00

* Hunters entitled to hunt without a license do not need to purchase Bow, Muzzleloader, or Bonus Antlered Deer Stamps. Hunters with a Senior Lifetime Consolidated License do not need to purchase Bow or Muzzleloader Stamps but must purchase Bonus Antlered Deer Stamps to take bonus deer.

PERMITS and OTHER LICENSES

Furbearer Permit

With certain exceptions, a person must obtain or be authorized by a Furbearer Permit to hunt, chase, or trap any furbearer (beaver, coyote, fisher, gray fox, long-tailed weasel, mink, muskrat, opossum, raccoon, red fox, river otter, and skunk), including persons participating in the unarmed chasing of fox and raccoons. It is also required for persons not required to have a hunting license (e.g., landowners hunting on their own property) and holders of any senior hunting license. See page 15 for exceptions.

There are two types of Furbearer Permits, Individual and Group. Any person desiring to participate in these activities can obtain the Individual Permit. The representative of an association or group established for the purpose of chasing or hunting furbearers may obtain the Group Permit. A member or guest of the association or group who participates in furbearer chasing or hunting with the association or group is not required to have an Individual Furbearer Permit. The permit holder of the association or group must submit a report to the DNR by September 1 following the end of each permit year.

- **Furbearer Permit—Individual** \$5.00
- **Furbearer Permit—Group** \$10.00

Managed Hunt Permit

The annual Managed Hunt Permit (MHP) is required to hunt DNR properties that charge for Managed Hunts and covers all such hunts on DNR lands. See Public Hunting Lands (pages 46-50) and Managed Deer Hunting Programs on Public Lands (page 51). The MHP is not required to take part in lotteries or drawings but only to participate in the Managed Hunts. Hunters must contact the properties they wish to hunt for site-specific rules and regulations. Persons exempt from the MHP requirement are those legally hunting with a Junior Hunting License (see page 12) or any person serving in the United States Armed Forces that is exempt from needing a Maryland Hunting License (see page 15).

Nonresident Trapping License

This license is required for nonresidents to trap furbearers (see page 20) in Maryland in addition to a Nonresident Hunting License and Furbearer Permit.

Regulated Shooting Area Hunting License

Allows you to shoot captive-raised game birds on a licensed Regulated Shooting Area. This license cannot be used to hunt wild or free-flying captive raised waterfowl on a Regulated Shooting Area (page 28, Regulated Shooting Area Requirements). This license is not required if you have a valid resident or nonresident hunting license. Hunters do not need to meet the Hunter Education and Safety Requirements in order to shoot captive raised game birds (except free-flying captive raised waterfowl)

on a Regulated Shooting Area. See page 12, Hunter Education and Safety Requirement.

Stationary Blind, Blind Site License

For current laws and regulations concerning offshore duck blind laws, visit the DNR website at www.dnr.maryland.gov/wildlife/waterfowl.html.

Snow Goose Conservation Order Hunting Season Permit

Waterfowl hunters participating in the Light Goose Conservation Order season must possess the printed receipt showing proof of the purchase of this permit. The permit can be obtained from any DNR sport license agent, online at www.dnr.maryland.gov, or by phone (1-800-918-2870). For more information on the Light Goose Conservation Order season see Migratory Game Birds, pages 26–29.

Access for All Permit

Hunters with mobility impairments may obtain an Access for All Permit, previously known as a Hunt from a Vehicle Permit, so they may hunt from a vehicle in designated areas. Applications are available from DNR's website (see address below). A physician must certify your permit application. See the Public Hunting Lands on pages 46–50 or visit the DNR website at www.dnr.maryland.gov for public hunting areas that can assist hunters with mobility impairments.

PURCHASING YOUR MARYLAND HUNTING LICENSES, STAMPS, OR PERMITS

Licenses and stamps are available by telephone, online, by mail, or in person at any DNR sport license agent or DNR Licensing and Registration Service Center. Call any DNR Licensing and Registration Service Center listed on page 8 for the location of an agent near you or visit Licenses at www.dnr.maryland.gov. Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps (federal duck stamps) are available from sport license agents, DNR Licensing and Registration Service Centers, U. S. Post Offices, National Wildlife Refuges, by calling 1-800-STAMP24 (782-6724), or online at www.duckstamp.com and www.dnr.maryland.gov.

Apply For a Hunting License By Telephone

You may obtain a hunting license, 24 hours a day, seven days a week by dialing 1-800-918-2870, toll free. Payment can be made by electronic check, Visa, Master Card or Discover and your license will be delivered by mail. A convenience fee will be assessed by the provider.

Apply For a Hunting License Online

You may obtain a hunting license, 24 hours a day, seven days a week by visiting Licenses at www.dnr.maryland.gov. The printed license immediately authorizes your participation in all purchased activities, including deer and turkey hunting. Supporting documents for some privileges (hunting guides, fishing guides, boat decals, Maryland Migratory Game Bird Stamp) will be mailed. Payment can be made by electronic check, Visa, Master Card or Discover. A convenience fee will be assessed by the provider.

Apply For a Hunting License By Mail

You may obtain a Hunting License Application by calling or visiting a DNR Licensing and Registration Service Center or from the DNR website: Licenses at www.dnr.maryland.gov. Complete all applicable sections and mail it with the appropriate fee to any DNR Licensing and Registration Service Center. Applicants for nonresident licenses are required to submit a copy of their driver's license, voter registration card or home state hunting/trapping license.

Obtaining Replacement Hunting Licenses, Stamps, and Permits

Replacement hunting licenses, stamps, and permits are available only from a DNR Licensing and Registration Service Center, in person or by mail at a cost of \$5 per item. The federal duck stamp cannot be replaced at a reduced fee. Call any DNR Licensing and Registration Service Center for an application (see page 8), or at Licenses using www.dnr.maryland.gov.

WHO MAY HUNT WITHOUT A LICENSE

It is unlawful to hunt without a valid hunting license in your possession unless you are exempt from this requirement as described in this section. You are not required to possess a hunting license or stamps (except the Maryland Migratory Game Bird Stamp, the federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp, and a Furbearer Permit) if you are:

- A resident of Maryland (and their spouse) who owns property and who hunts only on that property. This also applies to: (1) the landowner's children and grandchildren if they are under the age of 16; and (2) the landowner's children and grandchildren, and the spouse of the children or grandchildren, regardless of age, if the child, grandchild, or their spouse, lives on the property, has worked on the property for at least 30 days during the preceding 12 months, or manages the property. Each person must individually qualify under these criteria. To qualify for this exemption, a landowner does not need to live on the property but must be able to prove ownership.
- A person (and spouse) who: (1) holds land under lease for agricultural purposes (or a sharecropper); and (2) lives on this farmland; and (3) hunts only on this farmland. This also applies to: (1) the lessee's children and grandchildren if they are under the age of 16; and (2) the lessee's children and grandchildren, and their spouses, if the child, grandchild, or spouse of the child or grandchild, lives on the property, has worked on the property for at least 30 days during the preceding 12 months, or manages the property.
- A nonresident (and spouse) who owns a contiguous piece of farmland that is in both Virginia and Maryland may hunt on the Maryland portion of the property without a Maryland hunting license, if the person's primary residence is on the Virginia portion of the property. This also applies to the owner's children and grandchildren if they are under the age of 16.
- A Maryland resident serving in the United States Armed Forces while on official leave in Maryland (whether stationed in Maryland or outside Maryland). You must possess a copy of official leave orders while hunting. See Hunters in the Armed Forces in the following text.
- A person serving in the United States Armed Forces who has a service-connected disability and possesses a valid military identification while hunting.

Notes:

- Hunters not required to have a license must obtain a Maryland Big Game Harvest Record from a Maryland Sport License agent at no charge.
- Nonresidents of Maryland who own property in the state and hunt on that property are required to purchase a Nonresident Hunting License.
- Individuals who are exempt from Maryland hunting license requirements are subject to all State and federal laws and regulations relative to hunting and trapping.

- The Hunter Education and Safety Requirement applies to all individuals hunting in Maryland, even if they are exempt from the requirement to purchase a hunting license (see page 12).

WHO MAY HUNT and TRAP FURBEARERS WITHOUT A FURBEARER PERMIT

A Furbearer Permit is not required to hunt or trap a fur-bearing mammal if:

- A person possesses a valid Wildlife Control Cooperator Permit issued by the Wildlife and Heritage Service according to the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 08.03.09.0506.06 or .10 and is engaging in the control of fur-bearing mammals in accordance with the terms and conditions of the permit.
- A landowner possesses a Landowner Wildlife Damage Control Permit according to COMAR 08.03.15.03. As stated by the Annotated Code of Maryland, sections 10-406 and 10-414, a Furbearer Permit is not required for:
 - » A landowner to destroy a muskrat that is damaging an embankment or impoundment.
 - » A landowner to hunt or trap a coyote, fox or skunk that is damaging or destroying the personal or real property of the landowner on their land.
 - » The owner of a marsh or the owner's employees to hunt any raccoon which destroys a muskrat or its home in a marsh area of the state.
 - » A landowner or the landowner's agent to set or use traps or similar devices at any time to trap raccoons or opossums which are damaging property.

HUNTERS in the ARMED FORCES

Maryland residents serving in the United States Armed Forces and stationed in Maryland must purchase a Resident Hunting License before hunting, unless they are on official leave and possess a copy of their official leave orders. Maryland residents serving in the United States Armed Forces, while hunting during official leave in Maryland, do not need to purchase a hunting license, deer stamps, or DNR Managed Hunt Permit; however, they must purchase a Maryland Migratory Game Bird Stamp, a federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp, and a Furbearer Permit. You must possess a copy of your official leave orders while hunting and comply with the Hunter Education and Safety Requirement (page 12).

Any nonresident serving in the United States Armed Forces whose duty station is in Maryland must purchase a Resident Hunting License before hunting. Any nonresident serving in the United States Armed Forces who is on leave in Maryland, but not stationed in Maryland, must purchase a Nonresident Hunting License before hunting.

COMPLIMENTARY POW-DAV HUNTING LICENSES

A complimentary lifetime hunting license is available to Maryland residents certified as a former prisoner of war or a 100% service connected disabled American veteran (Veterans Administration documentation required). The lifetime license is available only at DNR Licensing and Registration Service Centers and includes the bow stamp, muzzleloader stamp, and furbearer permit. The Maryland Migratory Game Bird Stamp is not part of the Complimentary License. The Maryland Migratory Game Bird Stamp, federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp, and the Big Game Harvest Record are required each year and can be obtained from a DNR Licensing and Registration Service Center (page 8), a sport license agent, or online.

GENERAL HUNTING REGULATIONS

In addition to the regulations listed elsewhere in this guide, **it is unlawful to:**

- Hunt any game bird or mammal while under the influence of alcohol or any narcotic drug.
- Hunt or trap on private land without written permission of the landowner.
- Hunt any game bird or mammal on Sunday with the exception of: (1) a person who possesses a Falconry Permit, who may hunt specified game birds and mammals on Sundays during the open season (see page 18, Falconry Regulations); (2) an unarmed person participating in an organized fox chase, who may chase foxes on Sundays; (3) persons hunting on Regulated Shooting Areas may shoot captive raised game birds on Sundays; (4) persons hunting deer on those Sundays specified on pages 38–40, Deer Regulations and Charts; and (5) persons hunting turkeys in Allegany and Garrett counties on April 29 and May 6, 2012.
- Hunt any animal other than deer on the first day of Deer Firearms Season, except sea ducks in the Sea Duck Zone.
- Have a loaded firearm in, on, or leaning against any vehicle. This includes ammunition in the magazine or a muzzleloader ready to fire.
- Have a cocked crossbow in, on or leaning against a vehicle.
- Use laser sights when attached to any firearm or bow used for hunting game birds or mammals. Laser sights are those that project a beam of light from a hunting device onto the target. Range finding devices not attached to a hunting device are not considered laser sights.
- Shoot on, from or across any public road.
- Hunt, trap or shoot at wildlife within 150 yards of an occupied structure or camp without permission of the owner or occupant. This distance is 50 yards for archery hunters on private land in Frederick County only.
- Cast the rays of an artificial light from a vehicle on woods, fields, orchards, livestock, wild mammals or birds, dwellings or buildings. However, in Baltimore City, Montgomery and Prince George's Counties, a person may cast the rays of an artificial light from a vehicle for the sole purpose of observing or photographing wildlife until 9:00pm. A person may not have a weapon in their possession while the casting rays of an artificial light. Note: coyotes, foxes, opossums, or

raccoons may be hunted on foot at nighttime during open season with the use of a dog or light, or both.

- Target shoot on State lands except in designated areas.
- Construct or use permanent blinds or tree stands on State-owned or controlled properties. (Tree stands and blinds are limited to those of a temporary nature which must be removed at the end of each day.)
- Trap on State lands without written permission from the controlling agency.
- Hunt without a form of positive identification, such as a drivers license, other photo identification or a secondary form of positive identification.
- Tamper with any legally set trap and to remove the catch from any legally set trap.

Note: The woodchuck and nutria are classified as “unprotected mammals.” As such, a hunting license is not required to hunt woodchucks and nutria except in Baltimore and Frederick Counties. Woodchucks and nutria may be hunted throughout the year, including on Sundays. Hunters must wear fluorescent orange while hunting woodchucks. All legal hunting devices may be used to hunt woodchucks and nutria.

FIREARMS, BOW, AND FALCONRY REGULATIONS

Shotgun Regulations

Shotguns may be used to hunt forest and upland game, coyotes, fishers, foxes, nutria, opossums, raccoons, skunks, woodchucks and migratory game birds, with the restriction that the magazine and chamber must be capable of holding no more than 3 shells total except for resident Canada geese during the September season, light geese when prescribed in annual hunting regulations, or deer hunting (where the number of shells is restricted to 8).

- Shotguns larger than 10 gauge may not be used to hunt migratory game birds.
- Nontoxic shot larger than No. T (.20 inches in diameter) may not be used to hunt waterfowl and coots.
- The possession or use of lead shotgun ammunition while hunting waterfowl, coots, snipe, and rails is prohibited.
- Deer and bear hunters using shotguns must use a pumpkin ball, rifled slug or sabot. Buckshot may not be used to hunt deer except in Dorchester County, where #1 size buckshot or larger may be used. The use of shotguns smaller than 20 gauge for deer and bear hunting is not permitted.

- A person hunting turkeys in the spring season shall be restricted to only using shot sizes #4 or smaller. A person hunting turkeys in the fall season shall be restricted to only using shot sizes #4 or smaller or a solid, single projectile.

Rifle Regulations

- Air rifles are legal to use for hunting in Maryland and must comply with the rifle regulations. Air rifles may not be used to hunt turkeys in the spring season or migratory game birds. They are not legal for deer or bear hunting because they do not meet the minimum muzzle energy standard for rifles noted below.
- It is unlawful to hunt with an automatic firearm capable of firing a series of shots with one continuous pull of the trigger.
- Rifles used for deer and bear hunting must use ammunition developing a muzzle energy of at least 1,200 foot pounds.
- Firearms used for deer and bear hunting may not have an ammunition clip loaded with more than 8 cartridges or bullets. If a clip has the capacity to hold more than 8 rounds, the clip does not have to be physically blocked, but no more than 8 cartridges or bullets may be loaded.
- Rifles may be used to hunt forest game (except turkey during the spring season), upland game (except doves and woodcock), crows, nutria, woodchucks and certain furbearing species.
- It is only lawful to hunt with ammunition of soft point (expanding) construction. All military, full metal jacketed, incendiary or tracer bullets are prohibited.
- Breech-loading rifles may not be used to hunt deer in Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Calvert, Caroline, Charles, Frederick (in that portion of Frederick County lying south of a line beginning at the Washington/Frederick County line at US Rt. 40 and continuing on Rt. 40 east to Harmony Road, proceeding south on Harmony Road to I-70, following I-70 east through Frederick County), Harford, Howard, Kent, Montgomery, Prince George's, Queen Anne's, St. Mary's and Talbot Counties or in Worcester County as follows: (1) within one mile of any school, (2) within that portion of South Point lying south of a line beginning at the west end of the Sinepuxent Bay Bridge on State Rt. 611, then by and with the south side of Rt. 611 to the junction of the South Point Road going south for a distance of .6 miles to a point opposite the southern boundary of the Ocean City Golf and Yacht Club

property on the west side of the road, then by the southern boundary of the Ocean City Golf and Yacht Club to Trappe Creek and (3) within that portion of the land lying south of a line beginning at the mouth of the St. Martin River northwest to the junction with Shingle Landing Road, then by and with the south side of Shingle Landing Road to the junction with State Rt. 113, then by and with the east side of Rt. 113 to the junction with Rt. 589, then by and with the east side of Rt. 589 to the junction with US Rt. 50, then by and with the north side of Rt. 50 to the junction with Assawoman Bay, then by and with the west boundary of Assawoman Bay to the junction with the St. Martin River.

Muzzleloader Regulations

- Muzzleloading rifles and shotguns may be used to hunt forest game (shotgun only for spring turkey hunting), upland game (shotgun only for doves and woodcock), coyotes, fishers, foxes, nutria, opossums, raccoons, skunks, and woodchucks. Muzzleloading shotguns, with non-toxic shot only, may be used to hunt waterfowl, coots, rails, and snipe.
- Muzzleloaders used for deer and bear hunting must be at least .40 caliber in size and use not less than 60 grains of black powder (or a black powder equivalent) and propel one all-lead, lead alloy or copper soft-nosed or expanding bullet or ball at a single discharge. Sabot loads are legal.
- It is permissible to hunt deer with a muzzleloading rifle or shotgun in all counties. Telescopic sights may be used on a muzzleloader.
- Flintlock, percussion cap, and inline ignition muzzleloaders are legal hunting devices. To be considered a muzzleloader, a rifle, shotgun or handgun must be loaded from the muzzle, and a revolver must be loaded from the front of the cylinder.
- Muzzleloaders are considered unloaded if the ignition system is disabled by removal of the cap, primer, battery, or primer powder.

Handgun Regulations

- Modern and muzzleloading handguns may be used to hunt forest game (handgun hunting for turkeys only during the fall season), upland game (except doves and woodcock), coyotes, fishers, foxes, nutria, opossums, raccoons, skunks, and woodchucks.
- Modern handguns may be used to hunt deer only in those counties where the

use of a breech-loading rifle for deer hunting is permitted with the exception that modern handguns may be used to hunt deer throughout Frederick County. Any modern handgun used for deer and bear hunting must have a barrel length of 6 inches or more and use ammunition which produces a muzzle energy of 700 foot-pounds or more.

- Muzzleloading handguns (both single shot and revolvers) may be used to hunt deer in all counties. Muzzleloading handguns used for deer and bear hunting must be at least .40 caliber in size with a barrel length of at least 6 inches and use not less than 40 grains of black powder (or a black powder equivalent) and propel one all-lead, lead alloy or copper soft-nosed or expanding bullet or ball at a single discharge.

Contact the Maryland State Police for information about handgun purchase, possession, transport and use in non-hunting activities.

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HUNTING REGULATIONS

Vertical Bow Regulations

- Vertical bows (compound, recurve, or straight limb) may be used to hunt nutria, woodchucks, and all game birds and game mammals, including migratory game birds, with the exception of beavers, long-tailed weasels, mink, muskrats, and river otters.
- Draw locking devices are legal on all vertical bows except when hunting waterfowl.
- Release aids are permitted.
- For hunting deer and bear, the vertical bow shall have a full draw and pull of not less than 30 pounds.

Crossbow Regulations

- Crossbows may be used to hunt nutria, woodchucks, and all game birds and game mammals with the exception of beavers, long-tailed weasels, mink, muskrats, river otters, and waterfowl.
- The use of telescopic sights is permitted on all crossbows.
- A crossbow used for deer or bear hunting shall have a draw of not less than 75 pounds.
- All crossbows should have a working safety.
- It is unlawful to have a cocked crossbow in, on or leaning against any vehicle.

Regulations Pertaining to Both Vertical Bows and Crossbows

- Arrows used for deer or bear hunting must have a sharpened broadhead with a metal cutting surface having a minimum width of $\frac{7}{8}$ of an inch.
- The vertical bow and crossbow may be used for hunting deer during the Deer Firearms Season and Muzzleloader Season, in accordance with Firearms and Muzzleloader Season regulations.
- Firearms may not be carried while hunting deer during the Bow Season.
- The use of poisoned arrows is not permitted.

Falconry Regulations

Hunting with birds of prey:

- requirements include the possession of a valid hunting license; a Falconry Permit; and to hunt migratory game birds, a Maryland Migratory Game Bird Stamp.
- is permitted one half hour before sunrise to one half hour after sunset, Sunday through Saturday. Coots and waterfowl may not be hunted on Sunday.
- does not require the use of fluorescent orange outer garments, however, hunters are encouraged to wear fluorescent orange whenever they are afield.

FLUORESCENT ORANGE

Fluorescent orange (hunter orange) clothing promotes hunter safety because it is easy for other hunters to see outdoors. Except as noted in the exemptions below, a fluorescent orange outer garment or hat must be worn by all people who hunt any wildlife or accompany, aid, or assist a hunter in a field, marsh, wooded area, or on the water.

Whenever hunting, both hunters and companions must wear either:

- A cap of solid fluorescent orange color (worn as an outer garment on the head at all times);
- A vest or jacket containing back and front panels of at least 250 square inches of solid fluorescent orange color (worn as outer garment at all times); or
- An outer garment of camouflage fluorescent orange worn above the waist which contains at least 50% fluorescent orange color.
- Persons required to wear fluorescent orange that hunt from a ground blind that has four sides, a top, and is placed no more than 4 feet above the ground must display, on or within 25 feet of the blind, a cap of solid fluorescent orange color or a panel, band, strip, or garment containing at least 250 square inches (approximately 16" x 16") of solid fluorescent orange color.
- NOTE: Bowhunters hunting during the Junior Deer Hunt, Deer Firearms, and Deer Muzzleloader Seasons are required to wear fluorescent orange.
- The following persons are exempt from the requirement of wearing fluorescent orange (but are still encouraged to wear it when hunting):
 - » Property owners who hunt any wildlife on their own property with or without a hunting license (NOTE: children and spouses of property owners are required to wear fluorescent orange according to regulation);
 - » A person who hunts deer with a bow during the season restricted to hunting with a bow;
 - » A person who hunts or accompanies, aids or assists another person hunting the following species: brant, coot, crow, dove, furbearing mammals, rails, snipe, waterfowl, or wild turkey;
 - » A person who hunts game birds or mammals using falcons, hawks or owls.

HUNTING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

Permission Required to Hunt or Trap

In all counties, written permission is required from the property owner to hunt on private property. Written permission is required from the property owner to trap on private and public lands in all counties.

Liability

Any person hunting on private property shall be liable for any damage caused by that person to private property while hunting. The landowner may not be liable for accidental injury or damage to the hunter, whether or not the landowner or the landowner's agent or lessee has given permission to hunt. For additional information regarding landowner liability in Maryland read Bulletin EB357 (Recreational Access and Landowner Liability in Maryland) at the Maryland Cooperative Extension's website (<http://extension.umd.edu/publications/PDFs/EB357.pdf>).

Controlling Hunter Use of Private Property

Posting property boundaries in a conspicuous manner makes it illegal to trespass or for any person to enter without the landowner's permission. Maryland law allows the use of blue paint stripes, as well as signs, to indicate private property boundaries. Vertical paint marks at least 2 inches in width and 8 inches in length must be centered at least 3 feet, but no more than 6 feet, from the ground or water surface. The paint must be oil-based and bright blue.

Interference with Hunters

Section 10-422(b) of the Natural Resources Article, Annotated Code of Maryland—"Interference with Hunters:"

Prohibited Acts—While on private land that is owned by another person or in a hunting area on land managed by DNR, a person may not: (1) Interfere intentionally with the lawful taking of wildlife by another person; or (2) Harass, drive, or disturb any game animal intentionally for the purpose of disrupting a lawful hunt.

CROSSBOW SAFETY TIPS

- Maximum effective range is 40 yards.
- Know exactly where the arrow will hit before you pull the trigger (practice, practice, practice).
- Never walk or climb a tree with a crossbow cocked and loaded with an arrow.
- Always use manufacturer recommended arrow weights.
- Practice with the same type broadhead you plan to hunt with.
- Keep your fingers and thumb down on the crossbow forearm out of the path of travel for the string and cables.
- Always identify your target and background before you shoot.
- Never shoot if there is a doubt about the shot.
- Never shoot if the animal is alert and excited.
- Carry a field point tipped arrow in your quiver to uncock the crossbow at the end of the hunt by shooting this arrow into soft ground.

TREE STAND SAFETY TIPS

Tree stands can be dangerous if they are used incorrectly or carelessly. Tree stand accidents are the leading cause of hunter injuries in Maryland. Maryland follows the national trend in that over 50% of all hunting accidents are tree stand related. Most tree stand accidents occur in transition from a climbing device to the tree stand and from the tree stand onto the climbing device. Other injuries occur when the tree stand fails (usually home made stands) or from the incorrect installation of a manufactured stand.

Please follow these safety tips. Your life or livelihood may depend on it.

- Always read, understand and practice the manufacturer's recommendations before using any climbing equipment or tree stand.
- Check permanent tree stands every year before hunting from them. Replace any worn or weak lumber.
- Check your equipment before and during the season for loose, broken or worn parts.
- Use updated equipment. Newer tree stand equipment is solid, safe and secure.
- Always practice installing a hang-on tree stand at ground level before attempting an elevated installation.
- Always use a fall restraint system while climbing a tree.
- Use a **full body safety harness** as part of your fall restraint system. Never use a waist belt or rope as a substitute for a **full**

body safety harness while in a tree stand.

- Only climb healthy trees.
- Use your climbing device or tree stand for support; branches may give way under your weight.
- Use three points of contact with the tree or climbing device for a secure hold.
- Climb higher than your stand and step down onto it. Climbing up into the stand can dislodge it causing a fall.
- Wear boots with non-skid soles. Steps or platforms may be slippery in rain, sleet, or snow.
- Never carry anything while you are climbing. Use a haul line to get hunting devices and other equipment into and out of your stand. Make sure guns and crossbows are unloaded and broadheads are covered prior to raising or lowering firearms, crossbows, or bows with a haul line.
- As a precautionary measure, clear the ground of debris below your stand and climbing device.
- If you are sleepy, climb down from your stand and hunt from the ground.
- Leave a hunting plan with a responsible adult. Include specifically where you will hunt and when you will return. Draw a map to better explain your location. If no one is available for you to tell, leave this information at your camp or in your vehicle for rescuers to find.
- Carry a survival pack with you that you keep on your person. This should include a whistle, cell phone, flashlight, and a basic first aid kit.
- **Never hunt from a tree stand without using a full body safety harness.**
- More information and an online course on treestand safety are available at www.tmastands.com.

FIREARMS SAFETY TIPS

- Treat every gun as if it were loaded. Watch the muzzle! Prepare to control the direction of the muzzle even if you stumble.
- Be sure the barrel and action are clear of obstructions and that you have only ammunition of the proper size for the gun you are carrying.
- Be sure of your target and what is beyond it before you pull the trigger; know the identifying features of the game you hunt.
- Unload guns when not in use. Take down or have actions open. Guns should be carried in cases to the shooting area.
- Never point a gun at anything you don't want to shoot or kill. Do not play with a firearm.

- Never climb a tree or jump a ditch with a loaded gun. Never pull the gun toward you by the muzzle.
- Never shoot a bullet at flat, hard surfaces or water.
- Store guns and ammunition separately, beyond the reach of children and careless adults. Use trigger locks.
- Never use alcoholic beverages or medications that cause drowsiness before or during the use of a firearm.



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DNR promotes sustainable and compatible uses of the furbearer resource. Hunting and trapping seasons and bag limits are established based on furbearer biology, distribution and abundance of each species, public interests and needs and the incidence of furbearer damage complaints. The following species are managed as “furbearers” in Maryland: beaver, bobcat, coyote, fisher, gray fox, long-tailed weasel, mink, muskrat, nutria, opossum, raccoon, red fox, river otter, and skunk.

Licensing and Permit Requirements

A Regular Hunting License, Junior Hunting License, any senior hunting license or Nonresident Hunting License is required to hunt or trap furbearers except nutria.

With certain exceptions, a person must obtain or be authorized by a Furbearer Permit to hunt, chase, or trap any furbearer (beaver, coyote, fisher, gray fox, long-tailed weasel, mink, muskrat, opossum, raccoon, red fox, river otter, and skunk), including the unarmed chasing of fox and raccoons. See pages 12–15 for descriptions, prices, exceptions to, and availability of licenses, stamps, and permits.

Trapper Education Requirement

Any person who traps or attempts to trap furbearers (beaver, coyote, fisher, gray fox, long-tailed weasel, mink, muskrat, opossum, raccoon, red fox, river otter, and skunk) under the authority of a Furbearer Permit must first obtain a Certificate of Trapper Education from the DNR (or a designee of the Department), except that the certificate is not required if the person held a Furbearer Permit prior to August 1, 2007. However, all trappers are encouraged to participate in a trapper education course. Trapper education courses are being held statewide. Any similar certificate issued by another state is acceptable as complying with the educational requirements if the privileges are reciprocal for Maryland residents. Please contact the Maryland Natural Resources Police, Safety Education Division, 305 Marine Academy Drive, Suite 1, Stevensville, MD 21666, 410-643-8502; or visit the DNR website at www.dnr.maryland.gov for information about Trapper Education Courses.

General Furbearer Regulations

- License and permit requirements: A Maryland resident must possess a valid hunting license to hunt or trap on another person's property, including public lands. Nonresident hunters must possess a valid Nonresident Hunting License. Nonresident trappers are required to have both a Nonresident Hunting License and a Nonresident Trapping License. Resident and nonresident license holders must also possess a Furbearer Permit. Nonresident Trapping Licenses can be obtained from any DNR Sport License Agent or a DNR Licensing and Registration Service Center.
- It is unlawful to hunt, trap or shoot at wildlife within 150 yards of an occupied structure or camp without permission of the owner or occupant.
- Harvesting the following species by any means other than trapping is prohibited: beaver, long-tailed weasel, mink, muskrat, and river otter. Nonresidents are not permitted to harvest beaver or river otter.
- Destroying or disturbing furbearer dens is prohibited.
- A permit is required to possess the meat or skinned carcass of a furbearer for more than 10 days after the season has closed. Permits can be obtained from the Maryland Natural Resources Police (NRP). See page 8 for NRP offices.

- The pelt or unskinned carcasses of all fisher and otter harvested in Maryland must be tagged within 15 days after the season has closed. Fisher and otter pelt tags may be obtained by contacting local offices of either the DNR Wildlife & Heritage Service or NRP. See page 8 for offices.
- The pelts or unskinned carcasses of furbearers harvested in Maryland, and then transported across the state line must have a “Fur Shipping Tag” accompanying them. These tags are available online at www.dnr.maryland.gov or by contacting local offices of either the DNR Wildlife & Heritage Service or NRP. See page 8 for offices.
- On those lands owned or controlled by DNR in Caroline, Dorchester, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester counties only leaseholders or their appointees can hunt or trap furbearers and nutria between November 15 and March 15.
- Fox Restrictions: Some counties have local restrictions governing fox hunting and trapping, and the possession of foxes and/or their pelts. For detailed information, contact local law enforcement authorities.

The following restrictions apply:

- » In Charles and Dorchester counties, a person may hunt, trap or possess the pelt of a fox any time of the year.
- » It is unlawful to kill a fox being pursued by dogs in the following counties: Cecil, Harford, Kent, St. Mary's and Wicomico.

Furbearer Hunting and Chasing Regulations

- Firearm, bow and/or crossbow hunting of coyote, fisher, gray fox, nutria, opossum, raccoon, red fox, and skunk is permitted (see County Fox Restrictions in previous section for exceptions). Any individual that hunts these species must possess a valid Furbearer Permit. Shooting of all other furbearer species is prohibited. Refer to pages 16–18 for information on the use of firearms, bows, and crossbows for hunting furbearers.
- Unarmed fox chasing is not included in the statutory definition of hunting. However, it is subject to DNR regulations. Individuals participating in the unarmed chasing of fox must possess an Individual Furbearer Permit or be a part of an organized group that possess a Group Furbearer Permit. Additional permits may also be required to chase foxes on certain public lands. All activities on DNR owned and managed properties are subject to DNR public land regulations. With the exception of unarmed fox chasing, fox hunting with the aid of dogs is prohibited during the deer firearms season.
- With the exception of nutria, hunting furbearers on Sunday is prohibited (also see Trapping Regulations on the following section).
- Legal hunting hours for opossums and raccoons are from sunset to sunrise except Sundays. Raccoons that are destroying muskrats and/or their dens may be hunted any time of the year by owners of the affected marshlands or their employees.
- The use of artificial light and/or dogs is permitted while hunting coyotes, foxes, opossums, or raccoons on foot. Coyotes, foxes, opossums, and raccoons can be hunted with the aid of electronic calling devices. Daytime and nighttime hunting for foxes is permitted during the legal harvest season for foxes except Sundays. Coyotes can be hunted at night during the period specified in the furbearers seasons and bag limits chart. At all other times of the year, coyotes may only be hunted during the legal daylight shooting hours.

Furbearer Trapping Regulations

Advisory: It is unlawful to tamper with and remove the catch from any legally set trap.

- Written permission is required to trap on another person's property, including publicly owned properties.
- Setting or maintaining any foothold, body-gripping or snare trap within 150 yards of a permanent human residence is prohibited with the following exceptions:
 - » On State, federal or private wetlands.
 - » On lands that qualify for agricultural assessment, timberlands and lands used for reforestation.
 - » Body-gripping traps with a diameter of less than 6 inches that are set completely submerged in water.
 - » Except in Harford and Howard Counties, owners and lessees of privately-owned land.
 - » In Harford and Howard Counties, landowners and lessees of privately-owned land may set or maintain the above described traps on their property as long as they are not within 150 yards of another person's permanent residence.
- All individuals trapping furbearers must possess a Furbearer Permit unless exempted from the requirement (see page 14, Permits and Other Licenses).
- Traps must be checked once per calendar day except those traps that are set in water or tidal marshes which must be checked once per 36 hours.
- In tidal areas, landowners and their agents or lessees have exclusive rights to muskrats and other furbearers above the mean low water line.
- Any furbearer taken during the legal trapping season FOR THAT SPECIES may be released on site, but may not be transported from the point of capture unless it has been killed. **Animals caught during the closed season for a species must be released on site.**
- Legal trapping devices include: box traps, snares, foothold traps and body-gripping traps. Legal use of these devices is subject to compliance with the following restrictions and conditions:

1. Foothold (Leghold) Traps

- The use of toothed or serrated jawed traps is prohibited. All traps must possess smooth jaws.
- Traps set above the waterline must not exceed a maximum jaw spread of 5¾ inches. Traps set below the waterline and completely submerged cannot exceed a maximum jaw spread of 7¾ inches.
 - » Jaw spread means the distance between the inside of both jaws, when measured across the trap jaws on a line perpendicular to a line drawn through the jaw pivot points when the trap is in the set position.
- In Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Howard, Montgomery and Prince George's counties traps cannot be set to capture furbearers unless completely submerged in water subject to the following exceptions:
 - » Traps can be set above the waterline on farmland by the owner(s) of the property, members of owner(s) immediate family that reside on the property and the landowner(s) agent, tenant or lessee.
 - » Traps can be set above the waterline in response to wildlife control concerns by authorized agents of the DNR, and according to guidelines established by DNR.

2. Snare Traps

- It is illegal to use, sell, possess, set, place or maintain a snare trap in Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Cecil, Harford, Montgomery and Prince George's counties.

3. Body-Gripping Traps

- Body-gripping traps with a diameter of greater than 8 inches can be set when partially or totally submerged in water.
- Body-gripping traps with a diameter of 8 inches or less can be set above ground in tidal wetlands, flooded non-tidal wetlands, fresh water marshes, wooded swamps, bogs in areas where water covers the surface of the soil, or in areas where the soil is waterlogged to the surface. In all other areas these traps may be set when partially or totally submerged in water.

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2011-2012 FURBEARERS SEASONS & LIMITS

SPECIES	OPEN SEASON	LOCATION	BAG LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT
BEAVER Closed to Nonresidents	Dec. 15–Mar. 15	All counties	No limit	No limit
BOBCAT	CLOSED SEASON	—	—	—
COYOTE Firearms, Bow & Crossbow	Coyotes may be hunted in all counties year-round during daylight hours (½ hr. before sunrise to ½ hr. after sunset) except Sunday .		No limit	No limit
	Oct. 15–Mar. 15	Coyotes may be hunted in all counties day and night except Sundays.	No limit	No limit
COYOTE Trapping	Nov. 15–Jan. 31	In that portion of the state east of the Chesapeake Bay and the Susquehanna River.	No limit	No limit
	Nov. 1–Jan. 19	In that portion of the state west of the Chesapeake Bay and the Susquehanna River.	No limit	No limit
FISHER	Nov. 1–Jan. 19	All counties	2 per day	2 per season
FOX (RED & GRAY) Trapping, Firearms, Bow & Crossbow	Aug. 1–July 31	Charles & Dorchester counties	No limit	No limit
	Nov. 15–Jan. 31	In that portion of the state east of the Chesapeake Bay and the Susquehanna River except Dorchester County.	No limit	No limit
	Nov. 1–Jan. 19	In that portion of the state west of the Chesapeake Bay and the Susquehanna River except Charles County.	No limit	No limit
MUSKRAT & MINK	Nov. 15–Feb. 15	Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, Howard & Washington counties	No limit	No limit
	Jan. 2–Mar. 15	Anne Arundel, Calvert, Caroline, Charles, Dorchester, Montgomery, Prince George's, St. Mary's, Talbot & Wicomico counties	No limit	No limit
	Dec. 15–Mar. 15	Baltimore, Cecil, Harford, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset & Worcester counties	No limit	No limit
NUTRIA	Aug. 1–July 31	All counties	No limit	No limit
OTTER Closed to Nonresidents	CLOSED SEASON	Allegany & Garret counties	—	—
	Dec. 15–Mar. 15	All counties except Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, Howard, Montgomery & Washington	10 per day	10 per season
	Dec. 15–Mar. 15	Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery & Washington counties	2 per day	2 per season
RACCOON & OPOSSUM Chasing—NO KILL	Aug. 1–Oct. 14 Mar. 16–July 31	All counties	—	—
RACCOON & OPOSSUM Firearms, Bow, Crossbow & Dog	Oct. 15–Mar. 15	All counties	No limit	No limit
RACCOON & OPOSSUM Trapping	Nov. 15–Mar. 15	In that portion of the state east of the Chesapeake Bay and the Susquehanna River.	No limit	No limit
	Nov. 1–Mar. 15	In that portion of the state west of the Chesapeake Bay and the Susquehanna River.	No limit	No limit
SKUNK & LONG-TAILED WEASEL	Nov. 15–Jan. 31	In that portion of the state east of the Chesapeake Bay and the Susquehanna River.	No limit	No limit
	Nov. 1–Jan. 19	In that portion of the state west of the Chesapeake Bay and the Susquehanna River.	No limit	No limit

JUNIOR HUNTING

Hunters 16 years of age or younger may participate in the following two events if the individual possesses a valid hunting license or is exempt from Maryland hunting license requirements.

Junior Deer Hunt: November 12 & 13, 2011*

Junior Turkey Hunt: April 14, 2012

Hunters 15 years of age or younger may participate in the following event if the individual possesses a valid hunting license or is exempt from Maryland hunting license requirements. The individual must possess a Maryland Migratory Game Bird Stamp.

Junior Waterfowl Hunt: Date to be announced in September

All hunters participating in these events must be accompanied in the field by an individual who:

- Is 21 years old or older.
- Possesses a valid Maryland hunting license, or is exempt from hunting license requirements.
- Is not afield with a firearm, bow or other hunting device.

* Sunday deer hunting: In Allegany, Anne Arundel, Calvert, Caroline, Carroll, Cecil, Charles, Dorchester, Frederick, Garrett, Harford, Kent, Montgomery, Queen Anne's, St. Mary's, Somerset, Talbot, Washington, Wicomico, and Worcester counties on private lands only—Junior Deer Firearm Season is open on Sunday, November 13.



The Maryland Department of Natural Resources will be sponsoring the fifth annual **Maryland's Celebration of National Hunting and Fishing Day** on **Saturday, September 24, 2011**

The event will be held at **SCHRADER'S BRIDGETOWN MANOR** on Maryland's Upper Eastern Shore. Schrader's is located at **16090 Oakland Road, Henderson, Maryland.**

Open to the public, this **FREE EVENT** with **LIVE ENTERTAINMENT** will run from **10am to 4pm.**

This family-oriented day offers fun and educational hands-on activities that everyone will enjoy. It is a great way to introduce young people and newcomers to outdoor sports, while teaching them about the important role that hunting and fishing play in Maryland's wildlife conservation programs. A few of the fun and challenging hands-on activities participants can try include spin casting, archery, and target shooting on the grounds with skilled instructors. There will be displays of hunting and fishing equipment and demonstrations of outdoor skills. Kids will enjoy the clay pigeon and archery shooting range, laser shooting program, wood duck box making, fly tying and spin casting, dog demonstrations, and much more! For more information, visit www.dnr.maryland.gov/wildlife/Hunt_Trap/NHFD/index.asp or contact Patricia Allen at 410-260-8537 or pallen@dnr.state.md.us.

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FOREST GAME

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Hunting Hours

One half hour before sunrise to one half hour after sunset except Spring Bearded Turkey Season.

Spring Bearded Turkey Season

- **April 18 through May 9:** one half hour before sunrise to noon
- **Junior Hunt Day (April 14) and May 10 through May 23:** one half hour before sunrise to sunset.

Licensing Requirements

A Regular Hunting License, Junior Hunting License, Senior Hunting License or Nonresident Hunting License is required to hunt forest game. The Bear Hunting Permit application process is outlined in the following text. See pages 12–15 for descriptions, prices, and availability of licenses, stamps, and permits.

Legal Hunting Devices for Forest Game

For information on legal hunting devices for use during Forest Game Seasons (including black bear), refer to pages 16–18, Firearms, Bow, and Falconry Regulations.

WILD TURKEY HUNTING

It is illegal to bait for spring and fall turkey hunting, use recorded or electronically amplified calls, or use motorized or electronic turkey decoys. An area is considered by law to be baited for 10 days after removal of the bait. Dogs and organized drives may not be used for hunting turkeys in the spring.

Fall turkey hunters may only use rifles, handguns, shotguns (loaded with #4 shot or smaller or a solid, single projectile), crossbows, or vertical bows. Spring turkey hunters may only use shotguns loaded with #4 shot or smaller, crossbows or vertical bows.

Turkey Tagging and Checking Requirements

The complete instructions for deer and turkey tagging and checking are found on page 30.

BEAR HUNTING

Application Process for the 2011 Maryland Bear Hunting Permit

- Bear Hunting Permits will be made available through a random drawing process. Applications for the Bear Hunting

Permits will be accepted online from July 1–September 2, 2011 (24/7) at: <http://blackbear.dnr.state.md.us>. Telephone applications will be accepted from August 22–August 26, 2011 by calling 1-888-579-6768 between the hours of 9am–5:30pm.

- To apply, each applicant must pay a \$15 nonrefundable application fee and may only enter once. Applicants must possess a valid Hunter Safety Certificate or have held a hunting license prior to July 1, 1977 or hunted on private property prior to July 1, 1977 to apply. The drawing will be held on September 5, 2011 and all successful applicants will be notified shortly thereafter.
- In 2007 DNR implemented a Preference Point System for bear hunting permit applicants. Preference points provide additional entries in future drawings. Applicants receive one additional entry in the random drawing for each year they have been a concurrent applicant.
 - » Applicants must apply each year to retain preference points. If an applicant skips a year, all preference points will be forfeited.
- » Once an applicant is selected to receive a bear hunting permit in the random drawing, all preference points will be forfeited.
- » If an applicant is selected in the random drawing, but forfeits the permit, all preference points will be forfeited.
- » Applicants will not forfeit preference points by participating in the hunt as a Subpermittee or Landowner Subpermittee.
- DNR will issue a limited number of Bear Hunting Permits this season that will be valid anywhere in the designated bear hunting area. Each successful applicant may designate 1 sub-permittee who will be allowed to participate in every aspect of the hunt. If hunting on private land, the permittee may designate the landowner as an additional 'landowner' subpermittee who will be restricted to hunting on his/her own land. Only 1 black bear may be harvested by a permittee/subpermittee hunting team.

TURKEY HUNTING SAFETY TIPS

Follow these suggestions to ensure a safe turkey hunting experience:

- Leave the area if you suspect there's another hunter already working the same bird.
- Resist the urge to stalk turkey sounds. It is nearly impossible to sneak up on a turkey. It is also unethical and could lead to an accident.
- Select a spot that is in open timber rather than thick brush: wearing camouflage clothing and eliminating movement is more critical to success than hiding in heavy cover.
- Sit against a large stump, blow-down, tree trunk or rock that is wider than your shoulders and higher than your head when calling wild turkeys.
- Never wear bright colors, especially not red, white, blue or black because these are the colors of a wild turkey gobbler. Watch out for red, white or blue on your socks, t-shirts, hooded sweatshirts, hats, bandannas, etc. Wear dark undershirts and socks, and pants long enough to be tucked into boots.
- Remain still and speak in a loud, clear voice to announce your presence to other hunters if necessary. Never move, wave or make turkey sounds to alert another hunter of your presence.
- Keep your hands and head camouflaged when calling.
- Maintain a clear field of view when using a camouflage blind or netting.
- Ensure your decoy is not visible when you are transporting it. Stash the decoy in your vest and make sure the head is not sticking out. If you harvest a wild turkey during your hunting trip, you also should cover the bird's head and body when carrying it out from your hunting spot.
- Put your gun's safety on and approach the downed bird with your firearm pointed in a safe direction after firing. Never run with a firearm.

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2011-2012 FOREST GAME SEASONS & LIMITS

SPECIES	OPEN SEASON	LOCATION	DAILY BAG LIMIT	SEASON BAG LIMIT
BLACK BEAR	Oct. 24–Oct. 29 Permit Required	Allegany & Garrett counties	1 per day with no more than 1 per permitted bear hunting team	1 per season with no more than 1 per permitted bear hunting team
WILD TURKEY Fall season: either sex	Oct. 29–Nov. 5	Allegany, Garrett, & Washington counties	1	1
WILD TURKEY Spring season: Junior Hunt*	April 14	All counties	1 bearded turkey	2 bearded turkeys
WILD TURKEY Spring season	April 18–May 23			

* Junior Hunt for hunters age 16 or younger only. Junior hunter must be accompanied by a licensed (or exempt from license requirement) unarmed adult age 21 or older.

HUNTING HOURS FOR WILD TURKEY SPRING SEASON

April 18–May 9: one half hour before sunrise to noon; **Junior Hunt Day & May 10–23:** one half hour before sunrise to sunset

SUNDAY TURKEY HUNTING

• In Allegany and Garrett counties on public and private lands, turkey hunting is permitted on April 29 and May 6, 2012.

SPECIES	OPEN SEASON	LOCATION	DAILY BAG LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT
RUFFED GROUSE	Oct. 1–Jan. 31	All counties	2 per day	4
RUFFED GROUSE – Falconry	Oct. 1–Mar. 31			
DELMARVA FOX SQUIRREL	CLOSED SEASON	—	—	—
SQUIRREL Gray and eastern fox	Sept. 3–Feb. 29	All counties	6 per day	12
SQUIRREL Gray and eastern fox – Falconry	Sept. 3–Mar. 31			
SQUIRREL Red or piney	Sept. 3–Feb. 29	All counties	No limit	No limit
SQUIRREL Red or piney – Falconry	Sept. 3–Mar. 31			

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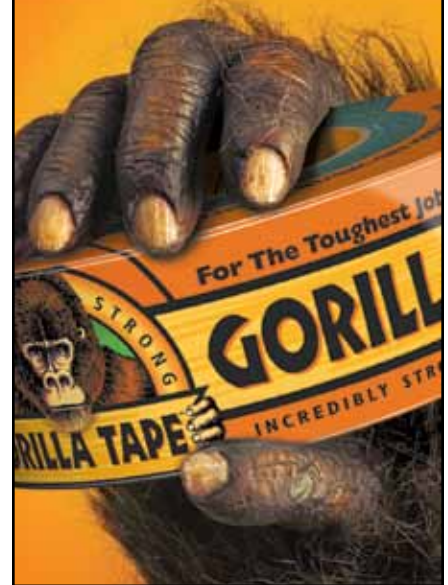


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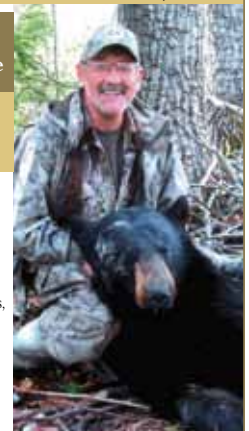
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MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS

Hunting for migratory game birds (coot, dove, rails, snipe, waterfowl, and woodcock) is regulated by the federal government under the authority of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. Each year, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) establishes hunting season guidelines for migratory game birds after reviewing data on population trends, reproductive success, and harvests. Guidelines include maximum number of hunting days, maximum bag limit, and the earliest and latest dates the season can start and end. States are allowed to select season dates and bag limits from within these guidelines. State selections can be more restrictive than the federal guidelines. Guidelines for late seasons, such as regular duck and goose seasons, are available in August and become final in early September. The DNR solicits public comment on proposed waterfowl seasons via a public meeting and online forum in late August. Early Migratory Game Bird Seasons (for example, dove and resident Canada geese) are listed on page 29. Season dates and bag limits listed here are conditional on USFWS approval in late August.

Hunting Hours

Hunting hours are one half hour before sunrise to sunset, except for (1) mourning dove during the first season segment, when shooting hours are from noon to sunset; (2) teal during the September teal season, when shooting hours are from sunrise to sunset; (3) resident Canada geese during the September seasons; and (4) light geese (snow and Ross's geese) during the Conservation Order Season, when shooting hours are from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

Licensing and Stamp Requirements

A Regular Hunting License, Junior Hunting License, any Senior Hunting License, or a Nonresident (full term or short term)

Hunting License is required to hunt migratory game birds in Maryland. All migratory game bird hunters, including those who are exempt from the hunting license requirement, must purchase a Maryland Migratory Game Bird Stamp. In addition, all waterfowl and coot hunters over the age of 15, including those who are exempt from the hunting license requirement, must purchase a federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp. See pages 12–15 for other requirements, descriptions, prices, and availability of licenses, stamps, and permits.

Unlawful Methods

Migratory game birds may not be taken with traps, snares, nets, rifles, pistols, swivel guns, fish hooks, poisons, drugs, explosives or stupefying substances. Migratory game birds may not be taken with a shotgun capable of holding more than 3 shells (except resident Canada geese during the September seasons and light geese during the Conservation Order Season) unless it is plugged with a one piece filler which is incapable of removal without disassembling the shotgun. Shotguns larger than 10 gauge may not be used to hunt migratory game birds. Waterfowl may not be hunted with a crossbow.

Nontoxic Shot and Unlawful Shot

Non-toxic shot is required for hunting waterfowl, coots, rails, and snipe. Hunters may not use or possess nontoxic shot larger than size number T (0.20 inches in diameter). Hunters may not use or possess shotshells loaded with a material other than steel, bismuth, tungsten-iron, tungsten-polymer, tungsten-matrix, or other shot determined by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to be nontoxic (see www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/issues/nontoxic_shot/nontoxic.htm). Hunters also may not use or possess shotgun slugs, sabots, or pumpkin balls while hunting waterfowl, coots, rails, and snipe.

Daily Bag Limit

The maximum number of migratory game birds of a single species or combination (aggregate) of species permitted to be taken by one person in any one day during the open season.

Field Possession Limit

You may possess no more than one daily bag limit while in the field or returning from the field to your vehicle, hunting camp, or personal abode.

Possession Limit

The maximum number of migratory game birds of a single species or combination of species permitted to be possessed by any one person.

Wanton Waste

No person shall kill or cripple any migratory game bird without making a reasonable effort to retrieve the bird, and retain it in his actual custody.

Possession of Live Birds

Wounded birds reduced to possession shall immediately be killed and included in your daily bag limit.

Dressing

The head or one fully-feathered wing must remain attached to all birds (except doves) while being transported from the field until they have arrived at your personal abode or a migratory bird processing facility. It is unlawful to completely field dress or breast-out any migratory game bird (except dove) before transporting the birds from the field.

Tagging

If you are giving, putting or leaving migratory game birds at any place or in the possession of another person, you must tag each bird with the following information: (a) hunter's signature, (b) hunter's address, (c) total number and species of birds killed, and (d) dates the birds were killed. Tagging is required even if someone else is transporting the bird for you or the bird has been left for cleaning, storage (including temporary storage), shipment or taxidermy services.

Shipment

Tagged migratory game birds may not be shipped unless the package is conspicuously marked on the outside with the following information: (a) name and address of the person sending the birds, (b) name and address of the person to whom the birds are being sent, and (c) number of birds, by species, contained in the package.

It is Unlawful To:

- Hunt migratory game birds with the aid of bait (placing feed such as corn, wheat, salt or other feed that constitutes a lure or enticement). An area is considered by law to be baited for 10 days after removal of the bait. It is not necessary for you to know that an area is baited to be in violation. Migratory game birds may not be hunted over any area that has been top sown or broadcast on top of the soil leaving the



seed available to feeding birds. Before hunting can occur on areas where seeds or small grains have been top sown or broadcast as a normal agricultural practice, all seed must have germinated, or the seed must be covered with soil, or completely removed by other means at least 10 days before hunting. However, doves may be hunted in areas where seed-producing plants such as corn, sunflowers, wheat, and other small grains are manipulated (mowed, knocked down, burned) to attract doves for hunting. In this instance, the 10-day rule does not apply.

- Sell taxidermy-mounted migratory game birds for use as decoys.
- Possess either a rifle or pistol at any time while hunting waterfowl and coots.
- Use common reed (*Phragmites australis*) in any manner for the construction of hunting blinds on lands owned or controlled by DNR.
- Construct, or cause to be constructed, permanent hunting blinds or tree stands, and to leave waterfowl decoys set overnight on lands owned or controlled by DNR, except with written permission from DNR.

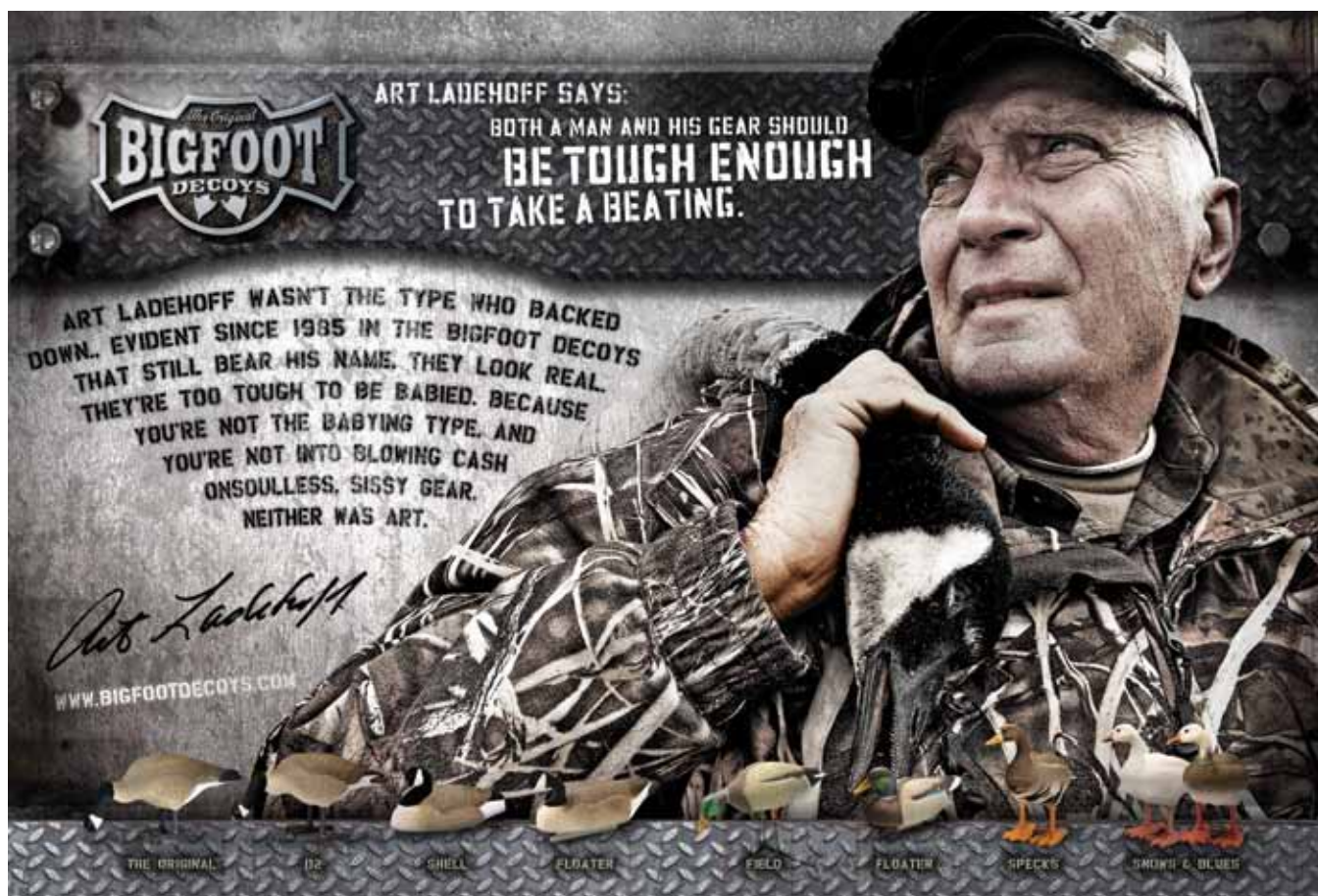
- Hunt migratory game birds after sunset except resident Canada geese during the September seasons and light geese during the Conservation Order Season, when shooting hours are from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.
- Hunt wild migratory game birds on Sunday.
- Hunt any animal other than deer on the opening day of Deer Firearms Season except sea ducks in the Sea Duck Zone.
- Hunt from a sink box (low floating device with depression that conceals the hunter beneath the surface of the water).
- Hunt from or with the aid or use of a truck or any other motor-driven land conveyance or any aircraft.
- Hunt from or by means of any motorboat or sailboat unless the motor has been completely shut off and /or the sails furled and the boat's progress has ceased.
- Hunt migratory game birds while in possession of any electronic calling device from which bird calls are conveyed or amplified and to use recordings of migratory game bird calls or sounds or electronically amplified imitations of bird calls

except while hunting light geese during the Conservation Order Season.

- Drive, rally or chase birds with any motorized conveyance or any sailboat to put the birds in the range of hunters.
- Use or have the aid of live decoys. Although not limited to, it shall be a violation for any person to take migratory waterfowl on an area where tame or captive live ducks or geese are present unless such birds are and have been for a period of 10 consecutive days prior to such taking, confined within an enclosure which substantially reduces the audibility of their calls and totally conceals such birds from the sight of wild migratory waterfowl.

Link To Federal Migratory Game Bird Hunting Regulations

For a complete list of Federal migratory game bird hunting regulations visit the DNR website at http://www.dnr.state.md.us/huntersguide/pdfs/FedRegs_HuntingMGB.pdf



MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS

Offshore Duck Blind Laws

For current laws and regulations visit the DNR website at dnr.maryland.gov/wildlife/Licenses/offshore.asp.

Sea Duck and Offshore Waterfowl Hunting Zones

Obtain maps and descriptions of Sea Duck and Offshore Waterfowl Hunting Zones from DNR Wildlife & Heritage Service Offices listed on page 8 or visit our website at dnr.maryland.gov/wildlife/Licenses/offshore.asp. Nonresidents must be accompanied by a Maryland resident while hunting in designated waters.

Releasing Captive-Raised Mallards

Captive-raised mallard ducks may not be released to the wild except under the authority of a Regulated Shooting Area Permit, Retriever Training Permit, or a Field Trial Permit issued by DNR. See below for information on Regulated Shooting Areas.

Regulated Shooting Area Requirements

A Regulated Shooting Area (RSA) is a tract of land on which the licensee may release and shoot captive-raised mallard ducks and other game birds. Requirements, regulations and application forms to apply for a Regulated Shooting Area Permit may be viewed online at www.dnr.maryland.gov/wildlife/Licenses/rsapermit.asp.

Those persons hunting free-flying, captive-raised mallard ducks or wild waterfowl on a State-licensed RSA need to possess a Maryland hunting license, the printed receipt from the purchase of a Maryland Migratory Game Bird Stamp, and a Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp (if over the age of 15). Those persons shooting only flighted (tower-released) mallard ducks on a State-licensed RSA need to possess either a RSA hunting license (see page 14) or a Maryland hunting license and the printed receipt from the purchase of a Maryland Migratory Game Bird Stamp.

At all times during possession, transportation, and storage until the raw carcasses are finally processed immediately prior to cooking, smoking, or canning, the toe-clipped foot of captive-raised mallard ducks taken on RSAs must remain attached to each carcass; except that, the RSA permittee may remove the toe-clipped foot of captive-raised mallard ducks when the number of the RSA permit has first been legibly stamped in ink on the back of each carcass or breast and on the container in which the carcass or breast is stored. When properly marked, such carcasses and breasts may be given to, or acquired from, any person and possessed and transported in any number at any time or place.

Light Goose Conservation Order Season

The DNR will continue to implement a Light Goose Conservation Order Season which will allow hunters to harvest light geese after the established regular 2011–2012 hunting season. Greater and lesser snow geese and Ross's geese are collectively referred to as light geese.

The Light Goose Conservation Order Season will run from January 30 to April 14, 2012. Special hunting methods allowed during the Conservation Order Season include unplugged shotguns, electronic calls of light geese, and extended shooting hours (½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset).

Waterfowl hunters participating in the Conservation Order Season must possess a Snow Goose Conservation Order Hunting Season Permit. The Permit can be obtained from any DNR sport license agent, online at <http://www.dnr.maryland.gov>, or by phone (1-800-918-2870) for a \$5 fee. Hunters are required to keep the permit receipt in their possession while hunting light geese during the Conservation Order Season.

Participants will also be required to possess a valid Maryland hunting license (resident Delaware licenses are also acceptable) and a printed receipt from the purchase of a 2011–2012 Maryland Migratory Game Bird Stamp. Possession of a federal Migratory Game Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp is not required during the Conservation Order Season.

Light Goose Conservation Order Season Zone:

Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Calvert, Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Harford, Howard, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, St. Mary's, Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester Counties; that portion of Carroll County east of Route 31 to the intersection of Route 97, and east

of Route 97 to the Pennsylvania line; and that portion of Prince George's County east of Routes 3 and 301; and that portion of Charles County east of Route 301 to the Virginia line.

HARVEST INFORMATION PROGRAM (HIP)

Requirement for Hunting All Migratory Game Birds

The Harvest Information Program (HIP) is a national, cooperative state and federal program to improve the information collected regarding the harvest of migratory game birds. All persons (including landowners and other persons entitled to hunt without a license) must be "HIP Certified" and have the printed receipt showing certification in their possession while hunting migratory game birds (dove, coots, rails, snipe, waterfowl, and woodcock). HIP certification is issued at the time you purchase the Maryland Migratory Game Bird Stamp. All HIP certified hunters will become part of a pool of hunters from which samples for federal harvest surveys will be drawn.

When you purchase your Maryland Migratory Game Bird Stamp, you will be asked a few questions about your hunting success during the last season. These questions are used to identify the type of migratory birds taken by you and your success from the previous hunting season. Your answers are used for harvest survey sampling, nothing more. You will be asked:

- Do you plan to hunt brant this coming hunting season?
- About how many of these migratory birds did you bag last season? Ducks, geese, doves, woodcock?
- Which of these types of migratory birds did you hunt last season? Sea ducks [long-tailed duck (old squaw) and scoters], coots, snipe and rails?

Please be sure that the sport license agent asks these HIP questions. Responses to these questions improve survey efficiency and the quality of harvest information used to manage migratory game birds. If you were not asked these questions or if you have additional questions regarding HIP, please contact the DNR at 410-260-8540.

From the pool of migratory bird hunters that plan to hunt in Maryland, a sample of hunters will be asked to participate in federal migratory bird harvest surveys and provide information about their harvest and hunting activity during the most recent Maryland hunting season.



2011-2012 WEBLESS MIGRATORY GAME BIRD SEASONS & BAG LIMITS

SPECIES	OPEN SEASON	LOCATION	BAG LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT
CLAPPER & KING RAILS	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	All counties	10 per day (no more than 1 king rail)	20
MOURNING DOVE	Sept. 1–Oct. 8 Nov. 12–Nov. 25 Dec. 21–Jan. 7	All counties	15 per day	30
SNIFE	Sept. 28–Nov. 25 Dec. 12–Jan. 28	All counties	8 per day	16
SORA & VIRGINIA RAILS	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	All counties	25 per day	25
WOODCOCK	Oct. 29–Nov. 25 Jan. 12–Jan. 28	All counties	3 per day	6

2011 EARLY RESIDENT CANADA GOOSE SEASONS & BAG LIMITS

SPECIES	OPEN SEASON	LOCATION	BAG LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT
EARLY RESIDENT GOOSE SEASON Eastern Zone	Sept. 1– Sept. 15	Calvert, Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Harford, Kent, Queen Anne's, St. Mary's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico & Worcester counties; and that part of Anne Arundel County east of Interstate 895, Interstate 97 and Route 3; and that part of Prince George's County east of Route 3 and Route 301; and that part of Charles County east of Route 301 to the Virginia State line.	8 per day	16
EARLY RESIDENT GOOSE SEASON Western Zone	Sept. 1– Sept. 24	Allegany, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, Howard, Montgomery & Washington counties; and that part of Anne Arundel County west of Interstate 895, Interstate 97 and Route 3; and that part of Prince George's County west of Route 3 and Route 301; and that part of Charles County west of Route 301 to the Virginia State line.	8 per day	16

Special Hunting Methods for Resident Canada Geese During September Seasons Only: Shotguns capable of holding more than three shells may be used to take Resident Canada geese. Shooting hours for Resident Canada geese are from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

Please Report Bird Bands

Bands recovered and reported by hunters provide valuable information about survival, migration, harvest rates, and distribution for a wide variety of migratory game birds.



To report band numbers from all types of birds (except pigeons), go on-line at www.reportband.gov. The information needed is: the band number, hunter's name and address, and date and location (nearest town) of harvest. You can also report bands by calling 1-800-327-BAND (2263). You will receive a certificate of appreciation and information about the bird you reported. The band is yours to keep!

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TAGGING & CHECKING

DEER & TURKEY TAGGING and CHECKING INSTRUCTIONS

Before moving each deer or turkey from the place of kill*, the hunter must:

1. Complete the Maryland Deer and Turkey Field Tag (example below) in ink and attach it to the animal. The Field Tag must be attached to the head of the deer or leg of the turkey. These tags are available in this 2011–2012 Guide to Hunting & Trapping in Maryland or a tag with the appropriate information can be made by the hunter.

*Place of kill is the location where the animal expired and was first recovered.

Field Tag- Attach permanently to head of deer or leg of turkey.

Date: 11/26/11 County: Frederick

Hunter's Name: John Q. Hunter

Hunter's License #: 012 345 678 910

Fill Out Big Game Harvest Record

2. Fill out a block on the Maryland Big Game Harvest Record (example at right) in ink. Record the species, date, county, sex, and weapon class (Confirmation Number will be provided later). The Big Game

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3. After completing Steps 1 and 2, the deer or turkey can legally be moved from the place of kill.
- Hunters then have until 24 hours after the kill is field tagged to check in their game using the Internet check-in site www.gamecheck.dnr.state.md.us or calling the Maryland Big Game Registration Phone Line 1-888-800-0121 to complete the check-in process. TTY users, call through the Maryland Relay. For ease of use, deaf and hard of hearing hunters are encouraged to use the Internet check-in site.
 - **Important:** At the end of the Internet or telephone check-in, a **Confirmation Number will be issued which must be recorded in the Confirmation Number space on the Big Game Harvest Record.**
 - A hunter may not remove the head or hide or any part from any deer (except internal organs), or cut the meat into parts, until the deer has been checked in and the confirmation number recorded on the Big Game Harvest Record.
 - Each deer and turkey harvested must be checked via the Internet or telephone and each will have its own Confirmation Number that must be recorded on the Big Game Harvest Record. **It is possible to receive the same Confirmation Number for multiple animals. Please do not recheck a deer or turkey you have already checked.** If you have a question or need to retrieve a Confirmation Number, call your local Wildlife & Heritage Service office.
 - Hunters will be required to furnish the Confirmation Number to taxidermists and or processors/butchers before they can leave their deer or turkey. Hunters should also complete a Butcher/Taxidermy Tag (example below) to give to the Butcher/Taxidermist for their record keeping. These tags are provided in this 2011–2012 Guide to Hunting & Trapping in Maryland or one can be made by the hunter. **For deer, the Field Tag must remain on the head and should not be removed at the butcher shop.** Hunters who plan to have their deer mounted should attach the tag to the antler and not through a hole cut in the ear.

Butcher/Taxidermy Tag- Complete for Processor or Taxidermist

Hunter's Name: John Q. Hunter

Address: 9876 Igotem Road
Big Deer MD 21678

License # 012 345 678 910 Phone # 301-123-4567

Confirmation #: 987654321000 County: Frederick

- The completed Big Game Harvest Record with associated Confirmation Numbers serves as the hunter's possession tag and must remain in the hunter's possession. If the hunter harvests more than 8 animals (combination of deer and turkeys), he/she can obtain another Big Game Harvest Record free-of-charge from a Maryland Sport License agent.
- In cases where the hunter is not required to have a Hunting License, the hunter must complete the tagging procedure. Field Tags can be made by using other paper and providing the information as described above or by using the Field Tags provided in the Guide to Hunting & Trapping In Maryland. Hunters not required to have a license will record the last four digits of their Social Security number followed by their zip code in the hunting license number section. **Hunters not required to have a license must obtain a Maryland Big Game Harvest Record from a Maryland Sport License agent at no charge.**

2011-12 MARYLAND BIG GAME HARVEST RECORD
THIS CARD MUST BE IN YOUR POSSESSION WHILE HUNTING

John Q. Hunter
Name of Licensee

*SPECIES, DATE, COUNTY, SEX, & WEAPON MUST BE COMPLETED IN INK BEFORE GAME CAN BE MOVED FROM PLACE OF KILL

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- 1 ☐ **DEER** (press 1) ☐ **TURKEY** (press 2)

YOUR HUNTING LICENSE NUMBER: _____

LICENSE EXEMPT HUNTERS (only for those who may hunt without a license)

LAST FOUR DIGITS OF YOUR
SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

+

FIVE DIGITS OF
YOUR ZIP CODE

DATE OF GAME HARVEST

MONTH

DAY

January: 01

February: 02

March: 03

April: 04

May: 05

June: 06

July: 07

August: 08

September: 09

October: 10

November: 11

December: 12

COUNTY CODE NUMBER (county in which game was harvested) — see codes below.

COUNTY CODE

Allegany: 01

Anne Arundel: 02

Baltimore: 03

Calvert: 04

Caroline: 05

Carroll: 06

Cecil: 07

Charles: 08

Dorchester: 09

Frederick: 10

Garrett: 11

Harford: 12

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Somerset: 19

Talbot: 20

Washington: 21

Wicomico: 22

Worcester: 23

PRIVATE LAND CODE NUMBER (see p. 42–45) or **PUBLIC LAND CODE NUMBER** (see p. 50)
(Locality in which game was harvested. See maps of counties on pages 42–45 for these code numbers.)

PRIVATE LAND CODE

PUBLIC LAND CODE

DEER

☐ WHITETAIL (press 1)

☐ SIKA (press 2)

☐ BUTTON BUCK (press 1)

☐ FEMALE DEER (press 2)

☐ ANTLERED DEER (press 3)
NUMBER OF POINTS _____

☐ RIFLE (press 1)

☐ SHOTGUN (press 2)

☐ MUZZLELOADER (press 3)

☐ VERTICAL BOW (press 4)

☐ CROSSBOW (press 5)

☐ HANDGUN (press 6)

SPRING TURKEY SEASON

☐ SHOTGUN (press 1)

☐ MUZZLELOADING SHOTGUN
(press 2)

☐ VERTICAL BOW (press 3)

☐ CROSSBOW (press 4)

☐ BEARD LONGER THAN 6"
(press 1)

☐ BEARD LESS THAN 6" (press 2)

☐ SPURS LESS THAN ½" (press 1)

☐ SPURS GREATER THAN ½"
(press 2)

FALL TURKEY SEASON

☐ SHOTGUN (press 1)

☐ RIFLE (press 2)

☐ MUZZLELOADER (press 3)

☐ VERTICAL BOW (press 4)

☐ CROSSBOW (press 5)

☐ HANDGUN (press 6)

☐ BEARD LONGER THAN 2½"
(press 1)

☐ NO BEARD OR LESS THAN 2½"
(press 2)

☐ SPURS GREATER THAN ¼"
(press 1)

☐ NO SPURS OR LESS THAN ¼"
(press 2)

CONFIRMATION NUMBER: _____

The confirmation number must be recorded in ink on your Big Game Harvest Record.

Use this form to make your deer or turkey check-in easier.

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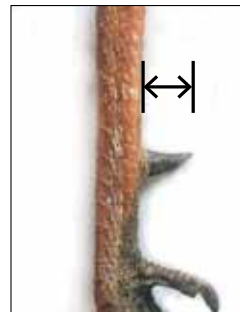
- **Internet check-in at:**
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Definitions

- **Antlered white-tailed deer:** a white-tailed deer with 2 or more points to one antler, or a white-tailed deer with one antler 3 or more inches long, measuring from the top of the skull in a living deer.
- **Antlered sika deer:** a sika deer with at least one antler visible above the hair line.
- **Button buck:** a male deer with antlers that do not protrude through the hairline.

Turkey Measurements

- **Spurs:** measure from the leg to the tip of the spur.



- **Beard:** measure from the skin to the tip of the beard.



Confirmation Number

The confirmation number must be recorded in ink on your Big Game Harvest Record. The Big Game Harvest Record comes attached to your hunting license. It serves as your official possession tag when correctly filled out in ink (including Confirmation Number) for each deer and turkey that you harvest. The Harvest Record must remain in your possession as proof you registered your harvest with DNR.

UPLAND GAME

2011-2012 UPLAND GAME SEASONS & BAG LIMITS

SPECIES	OPEN SEASON	LOCATION	BAG LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT
CROW	Aug. 15–Mar. 15 Wed.–Sat. Only	All counties	No limit	No limit
EASTERN COTTONTAIL RABBIT	Nov. 5–Feb. 29	All counties	4 per day	8
EASTERN COTTONTAIL RABBIT – Falconry	Nov. 5–Mar. 31	All counties	4 per day	8
PHEASANT Male only	Nov. 5–Dec. 31	All counties	1 per day	2
PHEASANT – Falconry, both sexes	Nov. 5–Mar. 31	All counties	1 per day	2
QUAIL	CLOSED SEASON	Allegany & Garrett counties	—	—
	Nov. 5–Jan. 14	Lands owned or managed by DNR excluding Allegany & Garrett counties.	6 per day, no more than 3 per day on lands owned or managed by DNR	12 in all counties and zones combined
	Nov. 5–Feb. 15	Private lands east of I-83 from PA south to I-695 to I-95 south to VA		
	Nov. 5–Jan. 14	Private lands west of I-83 from PA south to I-695 to I-95 south to VA, excluding Allegany & Garrett counties.		
QUAIL – Falconry	Nov. 5–Mar. 31	All counties	4 per day	8
SHOWSHOE HARE	CLOSED SEASON	—	—	—

Upland game species include bobwhite quail, cottontail rabbit, crows, and ring-necked pheasant.

Hunting Hours

One half hour before sunrise to one half hour after sunset.

Licensing Requirements


A Regular Hunting License, Junior Hunting License, Senior Hunting License or Nonresident Hunting License is required to hunt upland game. See pages 12–15 for descriptions, prices, and availability of licenses, stamps, and permits.

Legal Hunting Devices




For information on legal firearms and archery equipment for hunting upland game, refer to Firearms, Bow, and Falconry Regulations (pages 16–18).

Other Regulations

- The head, plumage and feet shall remain attached to all pheasants to permit identification of species and sex while being transported from the place where killed to the place of final disposition. This does not pertain to captive-reared pheasants taken on Regulated Shooting Areas.
- The use of decoys, calls and/or recordings for hunting crows is allowed. Hunters must wear fluorescent orange when hunting upland game except crows. See page 18 for more information on fluorescent orange.



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DNR's long-term goals for deer are to ensure the present and future well-being of deer and their habitat; maintain deer populations at levels necessary to ensure compatibility with human land uses and natural communities; encourage and promote the recreational use and enjoyment of the deer resource; inform and educate Maryland citizens about deer biology, management options and the impacts that deer have on landscapes and people. Both native white-tailed deer and exotic sika deer populations are managed through hunting.

Hunting Hours

One half hour before sunrise to one half hour after sunset.

Licensing and Stamp Requirements

A Regular Hunting License, Junior Hunting License, any senior hunting license or Nonresident Hunting License is required to hunt deer with a firearm. In addition to a hunting license, bow deer hunters must purchase a Bow Stamp and muzzleloader deer hunters must purchase a Muzzleloader Stamp. Bow deer hunters must purchase a Muzzleloader Stamp in order to hunt deer with a bow during muzzleloader season.

Hunters entitled to hunt without a license do not need to purchase Bow, Muzzleloader, or Bonus Antlered Deer Stamps. Hunters with a Senior Lifetime Consolidated License do not need to purchase Bow or Muzzleloader Stamps but must purchase Bonus Antlered Deer Stamps to take bonus antlered deer. Hunters not required to have a license must obtain a Maryland Big Game Harvest Record from a Maryland Sport License agent at no charge. See pages 12–15 for descriptions, prices and availability of licenses, stamps, and permits.

Bonus Antlered Deer Stamps

A Bonus Antlered Deer Stamp is required by all license holders to take a second antlered deer in Region B during a given season (bow, muzzleloader, or firearms). For example, a deer hunter must purchase a Bonus Antlered Deer Stamp before attempting to take a second antlered deer with a firearm in Region B. An individual who purchases a Bonus Antlered Deer Stamp but does not use it during a particular season may use that stamp during any subsequent season (muzzleloader, firearms, or bow season) in that hunting license year. Bonus Stamps are not required to take antlerless deer. Region

B hunters are reminded that two antlerless deer must be taken (in a given season) before a second antlered deer can be taken during that season.

Daily Limit

In all counties, there is no restriction that applies to the number of deer that may be taken per day within the season bag limits unless otherwise specified.

Legal Hunting Devices

See Firearms, Bow & Falconry Regulations, pages 16–18.

Electronic Deer Calls

Recorded or electrically amplified calls or sounds are prohibited for the purpose of deer hunting. This would include calls or sounds imitating common deer vocalizations or noises such as grunts, snorts, bleats, and antler rattling. Non-electronic deer calls are permitted for deer hunting.

Deer Tagging and Checking Requirements

The complete instructions for deer and turkey tagging and checking are found on pages 30–31.

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Deer in Water

Deer may not be hunted while they are swimming or taking refuge in water.

Fallow Deer

Fallow deer may be taken in place of white-tailed deer during each of the seasons. Fallow deer have escaped from captivity and are found in a few isolated areas in Maryland.

Sika Deer

Sika deer season dates are the same as white-tailed deer season. Sika deer bag limits are independent of the white-tailed deer bag limits. Sika deer may be hunted only in Caroline, Dorchester, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester counties.

Baiting Deer

Baiting deer is legal, except on State-owned or State-controlled properties, or areas where it is specifically prohibited due to Chronic Wasting Disease (see Chronic Wasting Disease regulations on page 34).

Antlered Deer Definition

An antlered white-tailed deer is a deer with two or more points to one antler, or a deer with one antler three or more inches long, measuring from the top of the skull as the deer is in life.

An antlered sika deer is a sika deer with at least one antler visible above the hairline.

Deer Seasons & Bag Limits

Maryland has two "Deer Management Regions." See Deer Management Region map on page 37. Independent deer bag limits have been established for each region. The number of deer that a hunter can take in one region will not affect the hunter's bag limit in the other region. Deer seasons and bag limits for each Deer Management Region are located on pages 38–40.

Deer Harvested With a Bow During Muzzleloader or Firearms Season

Deer harvested with a bow during the antlerless-only second split of the early muzzleloader season in Region B must count towards the bow bag limit. Deer harvested with a bow during the first-split either-sex early muzzleloader or late muzzleloader season must count towards the muzzleloader season bag limit. Hunters must have a Muzzleloader Stamp to hunt deer with a bow during the first-split either-sex early muzzleloader or late muzzleloader season. Deer harvested with a bow during the 2-week firearms or 2-day late firearms season must count towards the firearms bag limit.

Chronic Wasting Disease

Chronic wasting disease (CWD) is a naturally occurring disease of the brain and nervous system in deer, elk, and moose (cervids). CWD is classified as a transmissible spongiform encephalopathy (TSE) and attacks the brain of cervids, producing small lesions that eventually result in death. DNR has tested over 7,000 random hunter-harvested deer for CWD since 2002, and detected the disease for the first time in Maryland from a sample taken from a deer in November 2010. The infected deer was harvested by a hunter in Allegany County within four miles of Hampshire County, West Virginia, where CWD has been present since at least 2005.

Concerns over CWD should not stop hunters from enjoying the hunting season or any venison they may acquire. CWD has not been shown to be transmissible to humans. However, it is recommended that hunters field-dressing or butchering deer should take the same precautions as they might to protect against other pathogens or diseases. The following common-sense precautionary measures are recommended for the safe handling, field-dressing and home processing of venison:

- Avoid shooting or handling a deer that appears sick.
- Wear latex or rubber gloves when field-dressing or butchering deer.
- Remove all internal organs.
- Remove the meat from the bones and spinal column if home processing a deer.
- Do not use household knives or utensils when field-dressing or home processing a deer.
- Avoid cutting through bones or the spinal column (backbone).
- Never eat a deer's brain, eyeballs, spinal cord, spleen, or lymph nodes.

- If you saw off antlers or through a bone, or if you sever the spinal column with a knife, be sure to disinfect these tools prior to using them for the butchering or removal of meat.
- Remove all fat, membranes and connective tissue from the meat. Note that normal field-dressing and trimming of fat from meat will remove lymph nodes.
- Always wash hands and instruments thoroughly after dressing and processing game meat.
- Use a 50/50 solution of household chlorine bleach and water to disinfect tools and work surfaces. Wipe down counters and let them dry; soak knives for one hour.

CWD Management

Due to the detection of CWD in Allegany County, DNR has implemented a number of measures expected to be in place by the beginning of the 2011-12 hunting season. The measures are intended to prevent the unintentional spread of CWD to other locations in Maryland. The changes outlined below apply only to the CWD Management Area (CWDMA), which is that section of Allegany County with the Private Land Code number of 233, regardless of whether it was taken on private or public land (see the map on pages 42–43).

1. Whole deer carcasses or deer parts cannot be transported out of the CWDMA, except for:
 - a) Meat with no part of the spinal column, backbone, or head attached,
 - b) Cleaned hide with no head attached,
 - c) Skull plate cleaned of all meat and brain tissue,
 - d) Antlers with no meat or soft tissue attached,
 - e) Finished taxidermy mounts or tanned hides,
 - f) Whole deer carcasses or parts being transported directly to meat processors, taxidermists, or lined landfills within Allegany County.

Dumpsters will be available at select locations to dispose of carcass parts before leaving the CWDMA. Please consult the DNR website (www.dnr.maryland.gov) or contact the DNR office (301-842-2702) for a list of dumpster locations.

2. Baiting and feeding of deer is prohibited in the CWDMA on both private and public land. Bait and feed include, but are not limited to, corn, other grains, fruits, vegetables, pelleted foods and mineral supplements and salt blocks

that act as attractants to deer. Hunting over food plots or areas where normal agricultural activities have occurred is not considered baiting or feeding.

3. CWD surveillance stations will be available in the CWDMA on certain popular hunting days. Hunters are strongly encouraged to bring their Allegany and western Washington County harvested deer to a station to provide a voluntary CWD sample. Results of the CWD test will be available to the hunter.

Please also check the DNR website (www.dnr.maryland.gov) for updates on CWD surveillance and management in Maryland. Hunter assistance and cooperation is essential to the DNR's efforts to monitor and manage CWD in Maryland.

Carcass Importation Ban

The primary objective in the management of CWD is to prevent its spread into new areas. One possible mode of disease transmission is by the movement and disposal of infected carcasses. In an effort to minimize the risk for disease spread, Maryland, along with many other states, has adopted regulations that prohibit the importation of whole carcasses and certain carcass parts of deer, moose and elk harvested from states that have CWD.

A person may bring only the following parts of a dead deer, elk, or moose into Maryland from another state or province's designated CWD containment, surveillance, or management area: (1) meat with no part of the spinal column or head attached; (2) meat without backbone; (3) cleaned hide with no head attached; (4) skull plate cleaned of all

meat and brain tissue; (5) antlers with no meat or soft tissue attached; (6) upper canine teeth, also known as buglers, whistlers, or ivories; and (7) finished taxidermy mount or tanned hide. The Department will maintain a list of CWD positive states/provinces and contact numbers to call to confirm the containment areas in those areas that are subject to these restrictions. The list is available on the DNR website (http://dnr.maryland.gov/wildlife/Hunt_Trap/deer/disease/cwdinformation.asp) or by calling 410-260-8540.

Any person who imports or possesses a cervid carcass or part of a cervid that was tested for chronic wasting disease in another state or province and is notified that the cervid tested positive, must report the test results to the Maryland Department of Natural Resources within 24 hours of receiving such notification- by telephone at 301-842-0332; or by FAX 301-842-1026; or by email to beyler@dnr.state.md.us.

Travelers may pass through Maryland with cervid carcasses, provided that no parts are disposed of or remain in the state.

If you hunt deer, elk, moose or other cervids in other states and/or provinces, particularly those in which CWD has been detected, check with the respective fish and wildlife agencies regarding special regulations or specific advice for hunters. Also check with your home state fish and wildlife agency to ensure that animals lawfully killed elsewhere may be imported and possessed in your state. Additional information can be found at the CWD alliance website www.cwd-info.org and the Maryland DNR website www.dnr.maryland.gov.

Proper Disposal of Game Carcasses

The Wildlife and Heritage Service reminds hunters that State and local ordinances limit how game carcasses and other animal remains may be disposed of. Most hunters dispose of game carcasses properly, but some resort to dumping carcasses, bones or hides by the side of the road or in a public spot.

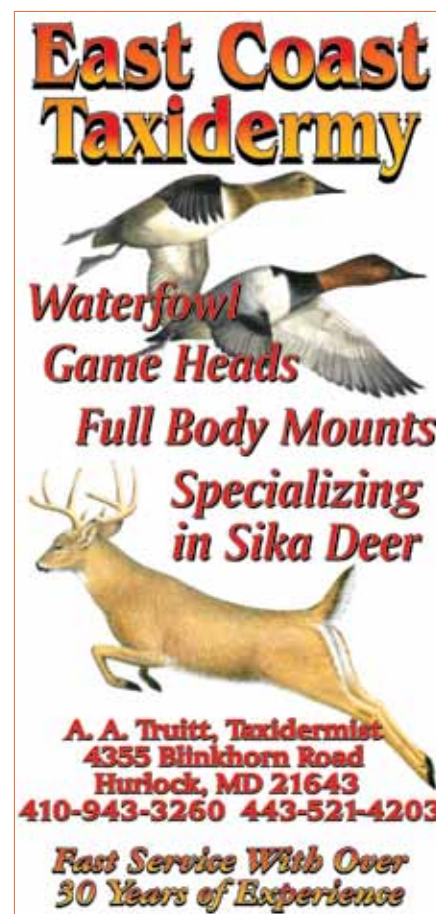
State law prohibits the dumping of dead wildlife or remnants on roadways, rights-of-way or on private property without the landowner's consent. Doing so is considered "littering." If apprehended, an offender may be charged with a misdemeanor and face fines up to one year in jail and \$12,500.

In some counties and municipalities, a portion of the local landfill is designated to safely receive such animal byproducts. In other areas, game carcasses should be buried to a depth of at least two feet and thoroughly covered by earth or stone.

Anyone who witnesses illegal dumping of wildlife parts should note the time, date and place of the activity. If possible, get a physical description of the people involved and a vehicle license number. This information can be given to the Natural Resources Police via a toll-free call at 1-800-635-6124. All callers will remain anonymous and may receive a cash reward.

Taking Deer Carcasses out of Maryland

Now that Maryland is considered a CWD positive state, deer hunters must follow carcass importation regulations in other states when they transport a deer carcass out of Maryland (see www.cwd-info.org/index.php/fuseaction/policy.regulationsMap). The surrounding states of Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia each have specific regulations as to whether they will allow whole deer carcasses or only parts of carcasses to enter from Maryland. Likewise, the regulations for each of these states vary as to whether they apply to deer from anywhere in Maryland, or just to deer taken within the CWDMA. Hunters are strongly encouraged to check state regulations before transporting deer carcasses.



Deer Processors

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources would like to thank the deer processors listed below for their service and cooperation in the Wildlife and Heritage Service's annual collection of information on Maryland's deer. Their efforts help supply the data necessary to manage this popular species. We appreciate their support of the stewardship and management of deer in Maryland.

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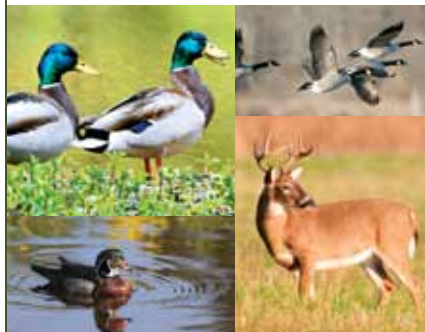
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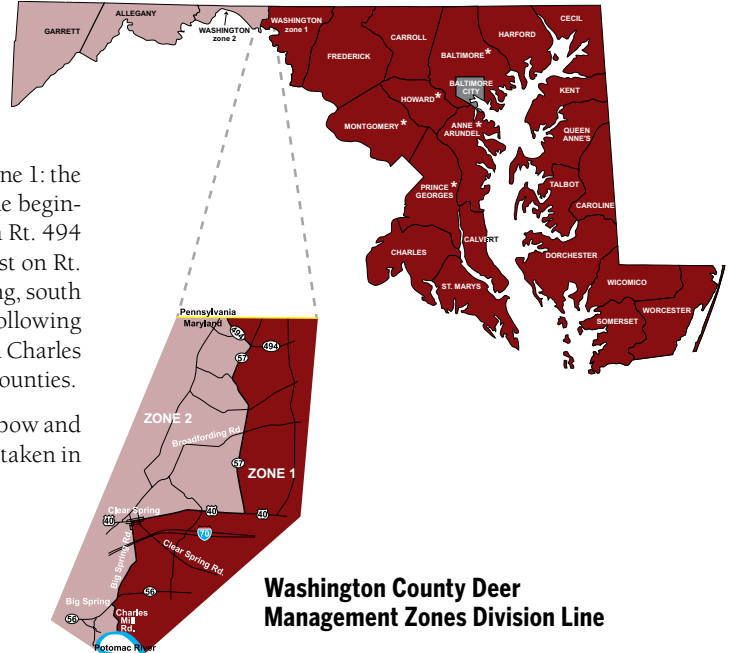
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Deer Management Regions/Zones Map



REGION B: Anne Arundel*, Baltimore*, Calvert, Caroline, Carroll, Cecil, Charles, Dorchester, Frederick, Harford, Howard*, Kent, Montgomery*, Prince George's*, Queen Anne's, St. Mary's, Somerset, Talbot, Washington (Zone 1: the eastern portion of Washington County that lies east of a line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 494 and the PA line, south on Rt. 494 to Rt. 57, south on Rt. 57 to Rt. 40 at St. Paul's Church, west on Rt. 40 to the junction of Big Spring Rd. and Rt. 40 in Clear Spring, south on Big Spring Rd. to the junction of Rt. 56 at Big Spring, following Rt. 56 west to the junction of Charles Mill Rd., then south on Charles Mill Rd. to the Potomac River), Wicomico and Worcester Counties.

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DEER SEASONS & BAG LIMITS

2011–2012 WHITE-TAILED DEER SEASONS & BAG LIMITS

REGION A: Allegany, Garrett & Washington (Zone 2) counties

REGION A DNR PUBLIC LANDS INCLUDE: Billmeyer-Belle Grove WMA, Dan's Mountain WMA, Deep Creek Lake State Park (Designated Areas Only), Green Ridge State Forest, Indian Springs WMA, Mount Nebo WMA, Potomac-Garrett State Forest, Prather's Neck WMA, Rocky Gap State Park (Designated Areas Only), Savage River State Forest, Sideling Hill WMA, Warrior Mountain WMA, Woodmont, Youghiogheny Reservoir CWMA and Youghiogheny Scenic Wild River.

SEASON	DESCRIPTION	DATES	TOTAL BAG LIMIT	NOTES
BOW	Antlered or Antlerless	Sept. 15–Oct. 19 Oct. 23–Nov. 25 Dec. 12–Dec. 16 Jan. 2–Jan. 31	1 Antlered & 1 Antlerless*	Crossbows are legal for all hunters to use during the Deer Bow Season in Region A. The Deer Bow Season Bag Limit applies to all deer taken with either a vertical bow or crossbow during the Deer Bow Season. Special regulations for November 12 & 13: (1) Vertical bow and crossbow hunters must wear fluorescent orange; (2) Any deer taken with a vertical bow or crossbow on this date must count towards the Bow Hunting Season Bag Limit (excluding deer taken by youth during Junior Deer Hunt). Sunday deer hunting: Deer Bow Season is open on Sundays October 16, October 23, October 30, November 6 and November 13, 2011 in Region A on private land only.
MUZZLELOADER DNR Public Lands	Antlered Only	Oct. 20–Oct. 22 (only 1 deer may be taken during these dates on either DNR public or private lands)	1 Antlered & 1 Antlerless*	Bowhunters hunting during the Junior Deer Hunt, Deer Firearms Season, or Deer Muzzleloader Season are required to wear fluorescent orange.
	Antlered Only	Dec. 17–Dec. 30		
	Antlered or Antlerless	Dec. 31		
MUZZLELOADER All Other Lands	Antlered or Antlerless	Oct. 20–Oct. 22 (only 1 deer may be taken during these dates on either DNR public or private lands)	1 Antlered & 1 Antlerless*	Bowhunters hunting during the Junior Deer Hunt, Deer Firearms Season, or Deer Muzzleloader Season are required to wear fluorescent orange.
	Antlered Only	Dec. 17–Dec. 28		
	Antlered or Antlerless	Dec. 29–Dec. 31		
FIREARMS DNR Public Lands	Antlered Only	Nov. 26–Dec. 9	1 Antlered & 1 Antlerless*	Sunday deer hunting: Deer Firearms Season is open on Sunday November 27, 2011 in Allegany, Garrett and Washington (Zone 2) counties on private land only. Bowhunters hunting during the Junior Deer Hunt, Deer Firearms Season, or Deer Muzzleloader Season are required to wear fluorescent orange.
	Antlered or Antlerless	Dec. 10		
FIREARMS All Other Lands	Antlered Only	Nov. 26–Dec. 8	1 Antlered & 1 Antlerless*	Bowhunters hunting during the Junior Deer Hunt, Deer Firearms Season, or Deer Muzzleloader Season are required to wear fluorescent orange.
	Antlered or Antlerless	Dec. 9–Dec. 10		

Region A DNR Public Land Antlerless Harvest Restriction: Hunters may harvest up to 3 antlerless deer per year in Region A (one each during the Bow, Firearm, and Muzzleloader seasons). However, no more than 2 antlerless deer (total) may be taken on DNR public lands in Region A with any combination of bow, muzzleloader, and firearm bag limits excluding the Junior Deer Hunt.

* No more than 2 antlerless deer may be taken on DNR public lands in Region A with any combination of bow, muzzleloader, and firearm bag limits excluding the Junior Deer Hunt.

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REGION B: Anne Arundel*, Baltimore*, Calvert, Caroline, Carroll, Cecil, Charles, Dorchester, Frederick, Harford, Howard*, Kent, Montgomery*, Prince George's*, Queen Anne's, St. Mary's, Somerset, Talbot, Washington (Zone 1), Wicomico & Worcester counties

2 antlerless deer must be taken in each season before a second antlered deer can be taken within that season.
A Bonus Antlered Deer Stamp is required for each season that a second antlered deer is taken.

SEASON	DESCRIPTION	DATES	TOTAL BAG LIMIT	NOTES
BOW	Antlered or Antlerless	Sept. 15–Oct. 19 Oct. 23 (Sunday, see NOTES) Oct. 24–Nov. 25 Dec. 12–Dec. 16 Jan. 2–Jan. 5 Jan. 9–Jan. 31	2 Antlered 10 Antlerless (Unlimited antlerless in Suburban Deer Archery Zone—see NOTES)	Crossbows are legal for all hunters to use during the Deer Bow Season in Region B. The Deer Bow Season Bag Limit applies to all deer taken with either a vertical bow or crossbow during the Deer Bow Season. Special regulations for October 24–29 & November 12 & 13: (1) Vertical bow and crossbow hunters must wear fluorescent orange; (2) Any deer taken with a vertical bow or crossbow on these dates must count towards the Deer Bow Season Bag Limit (excluding deer taken by youth during Junior Deer Hunt). Sunday deer hunting: • In Calvert, Carroll, Charles, Dorchester, Frederick, St. Mary's, Somerset, Talbot, Washington (Zone 1), Wicomico & Worcester counties on private lands only—Deer Bow Season is open on Sundays October 16, October 23, October 30, November 6 and November 13, 2011. • Deer Bow Season is open on Sunday November 6, 2011 in Anne Arundel, Caroline, Cecil, Harford, Kent, Montgomery & Queen Anne's counties on private lands only. • Suburban Deer Archery Zone of Region B (Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Howard, Montgomery & Prince George's counties): During the Deer Bow Season, vertical bow and crossbow hunters may take an unlimited number of antlerless deer within these counties. The Deer Bow Season antlerless bag limit for all other Region B counties is 10. All antlerless deer taken with a vertical bow or crossbow in the Bow Hunting Suburban Zone must be recorded on the hunter's Big Game Harvest Record. If a hunter needs another Big Game Harvest Record, one can be printed at a Maryland Sport License Agent.
		Oct. 20–Oct. 22 (only 1 antlered deer may be taken during these dates)	2 Antlered 10 Antlerless	Bowhunters hunting during the Junior Deer Hunt, Deer Firearms Season, or Deer Muzzleloader Season are required to wear fluorescent orange.
MUZZLELOADER	Antlered or Antlerless	Oct. 24–Oct. 29		
	Antlerless Only	Dec. 17–Dec. 31		
FIREARMS	Antlered or Antlerless	Nov. 26–Dec. 10 Jan. 6–Jan. 7	2 Antlered 10 Antlerless	Sunday deer hunting: • In Anne Arundel, Caroline, Carroll, Cecil, Dorchester, Frederick, Harford, Kent, Montgomery, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Washington (Zone 1), Wicomico & Worcester counties on private lands only—Deer Firearms Season is open on Sunday November 27. • Deer Firearms Season is open on Sundays November 27 and December 4, 2011 in Calvert, Charles & St. Mary's counties on private land only. Bowhunters hunting during the Junior Deer Hunt, Deer Firearms Season, or Deer Muzzleloader Season are required to wear fluorescent orange.

* This county is part of the **Suburban Deer Archery Zone of Region B**: For bow hunting only—unlimited antlerless deer may be taken in these counties during the open Deer Bow Season and a crossbow may be used during the entire bow season.

REGION A & B JUNIOR DEER HUNT SEASON NOVEMBER 12 & 13*, 2011

The Junior Hunt is for hunters age 16 or younger only.
A Junior hunter must be accompanied by a licensed (or exempt from license requirement) unarmed adult age 21 or older.

REGION	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL BAG LIMIT	NOTES
REGION A	White-tailed Deer, Antlered or Antlerless	1 deer	Deer taken by Junior Hunters during the Junior Hunt Season do not count towards the regular bow, muzzleloader, or firearms season bag limits.
REGION B	White-tailed Deer, Antlered or Antlerless	3 deer, no more than 1 may be antlered	
REGION B Caroline, Dorchester, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico & Worcester counties	Sika Deer, Antlered or Antlerless	1 deer	

* Sunday deer hunting: In Allegany, Anne Arundel, Calvert, Caroline, Carroll, Cecil, Charles, Dorchester, Frederick, Garrett, Harford, Kent, Montgomery, Queen Anne's, St. Mary's, Somerset, Talbot, Washington, Wicomico, and Worcester counties on private lands only—Junior Deer Firearm Season is open on Sunday, November 13.

Maryland Trophy Deer Contest

The 2011 Maryland Trophy Deer Contest recognizes the "top" deer in each county taken during the 2009-2010 deer hunting seasons for the Maryland State Record Book. Highest scoring bucks (typical and nontypical) are recognized for white-tailed deer taken during each of the vertical bow, crossbow, muzzleloader, and firearms seasons. The Boone and Crockett method of scoring is used. A separate category for sika deer is also available.

The 2011 contest will be held at the Southern Maryland Hunting and Outdoor Expo on August 27, and 28, 2011. The Southern Maryland Expo is located at the Charles County Fairgrounds in LaPlata, Maryland. The Contest is cosponsored by the Maryland Bowhunters Society and the DNR Wildlife & Heritage Service. For more information regarding the 2011 contest contact Mr. Walter "Tinker" Johnson at 301-349-2413, or DNR at 301-842-0332.

DEER SEASONS & BAG LIMITS

2011-2012 SIKA DEER SEASONS & BAG LIMITS

Caroline, Dorchester, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico & Worcester counties

SEASON	DESCRIPTION	DATES	TOTAL BAG LIMIT	NOTES
BOW	Antlered or Antlerless	Sept. 15–Oct. 19 Oct. 23 (Sunday, see NOTES) Oct. 24–Nov. 25 Dec. 12–Dec. 16 Jan. 2–Jan. 5 Jan. 9–Jan. 31	2 deer, no more than 1 antlered	Crossbows are legal for all hunters to use during the Sika Deer Bow Season. The Sika Deer Bow Season Bag Limit applies to all deer taken with either a vertical bow or crossbow during the Sika Deer Bow Season. Special regulations for October 24–29 & November 12 & 13: (1) Vertical bow and crossbow hunters must wear fluorescent orange; (2) Any deer taken with a vertical bow or crossbow on these dates must count towards the Sika Deer Bow Season Bag Limit (excluding deer taken by youth during Junior Deer Hunt). Sunday deer hunting: • In Dorchester, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico & Worcester counties on private lands only—Deer Bow Season is open on Sundays October 16, October 23, October 30, November 6 and November 13, 2011. • Deer Bow Season is open on Sunday November 6, 2011 in Caroline County on private lands only.
		Oct. 20–Oct. 22 (only 1 sika deer may be taken during these dates)		
MUZZLELOADER	Antlered or Antlerless	Oct. 20–Oct. 22 (only 1 sika deer may be taken during these dates)	2 deer, no more than 1 antlered	Bowhunters hunting during the Junior Deer Hunt, Deer Firearms Season, or Deer Muzzleloader Season are required to wear fluorescent orange.
	Antlerless Only	Oct. 24–Oct. 29 (only 1 sika deer may be taken during these dates)		
	Antlered or Antlerless	Dec. 17–Dec. 31		
FIREARMS	Antlered or Antlerless	Nov. 26–Dec. 10 Jan. 6–Jan. 7	2 deer, no more than 1 antlered	Sunday deer hunting: Sika Deer Firearms Season is open on Sunday November 27, 2011 in Caroline, Dorchester, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico & Worcester counties on private lands only. Bowhunters hunting during the Junior Deer Hunt, Deer Firearms Season, or Deer Muzzleloader Season are required to wear fluorescent orange.

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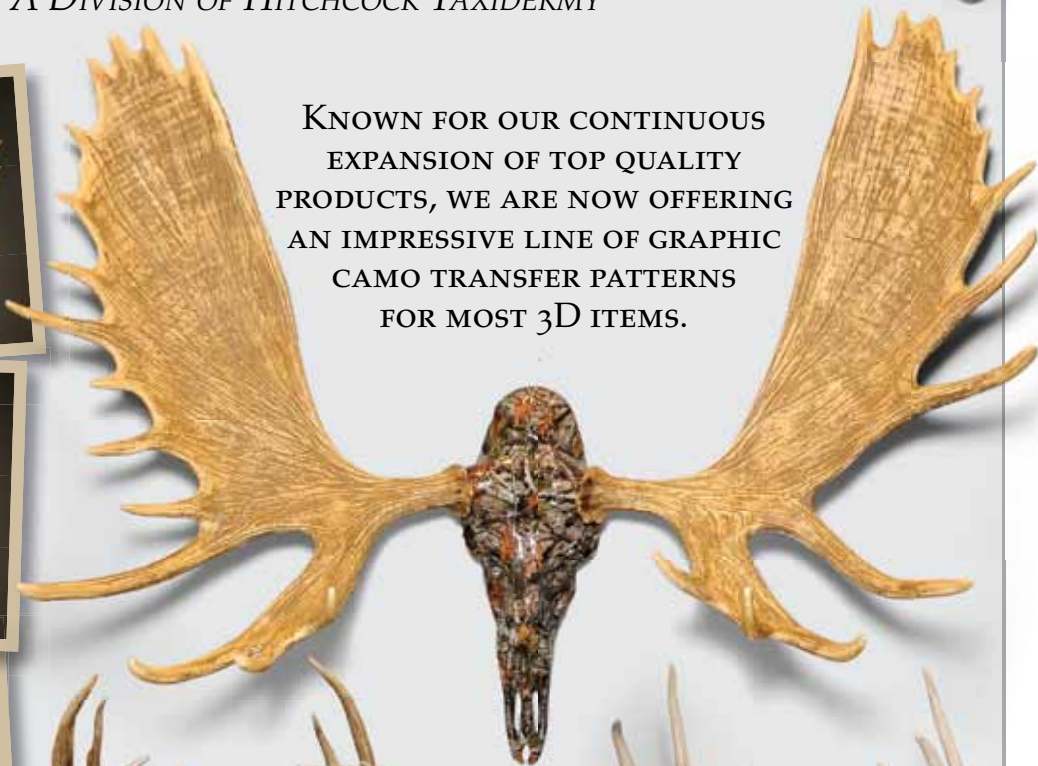
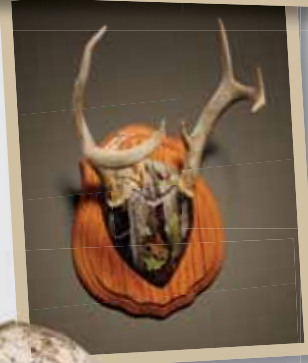
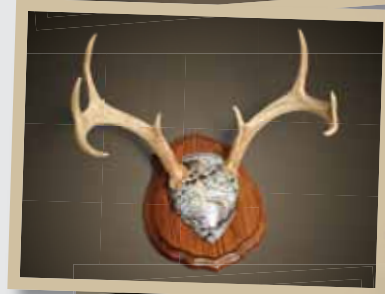
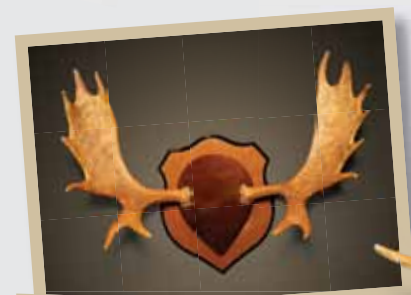
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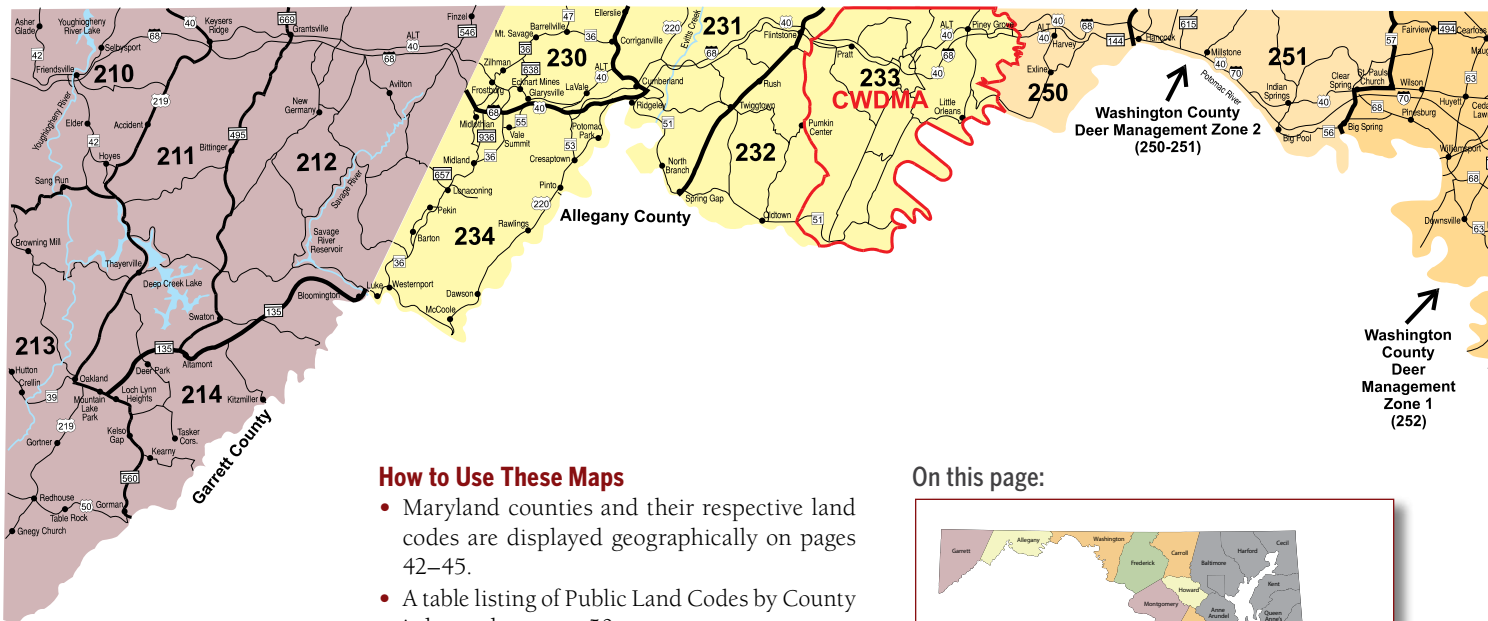
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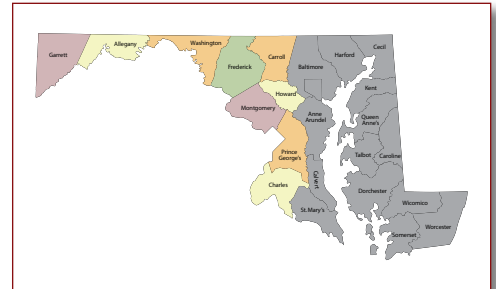
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- Maryland counties and their respective land codes are displayed geographically on pages 42–45.
- A table listing of Public Land Codes by County is located on page 50.
- The Private Land Code section of Allegany County numbered 233 is the Chronic Wasting Disease Management Area. See CWD Management on page 34 for more information.

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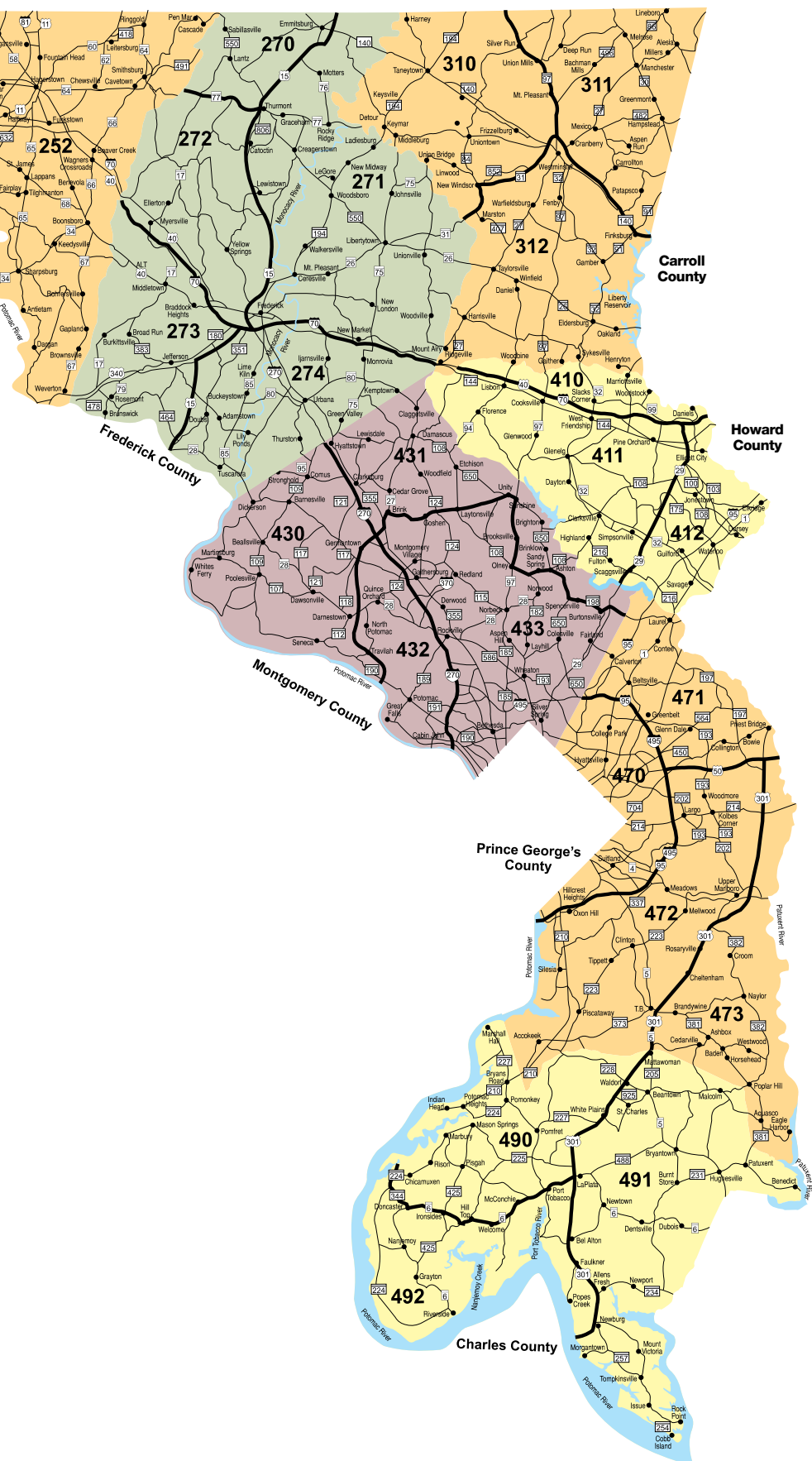
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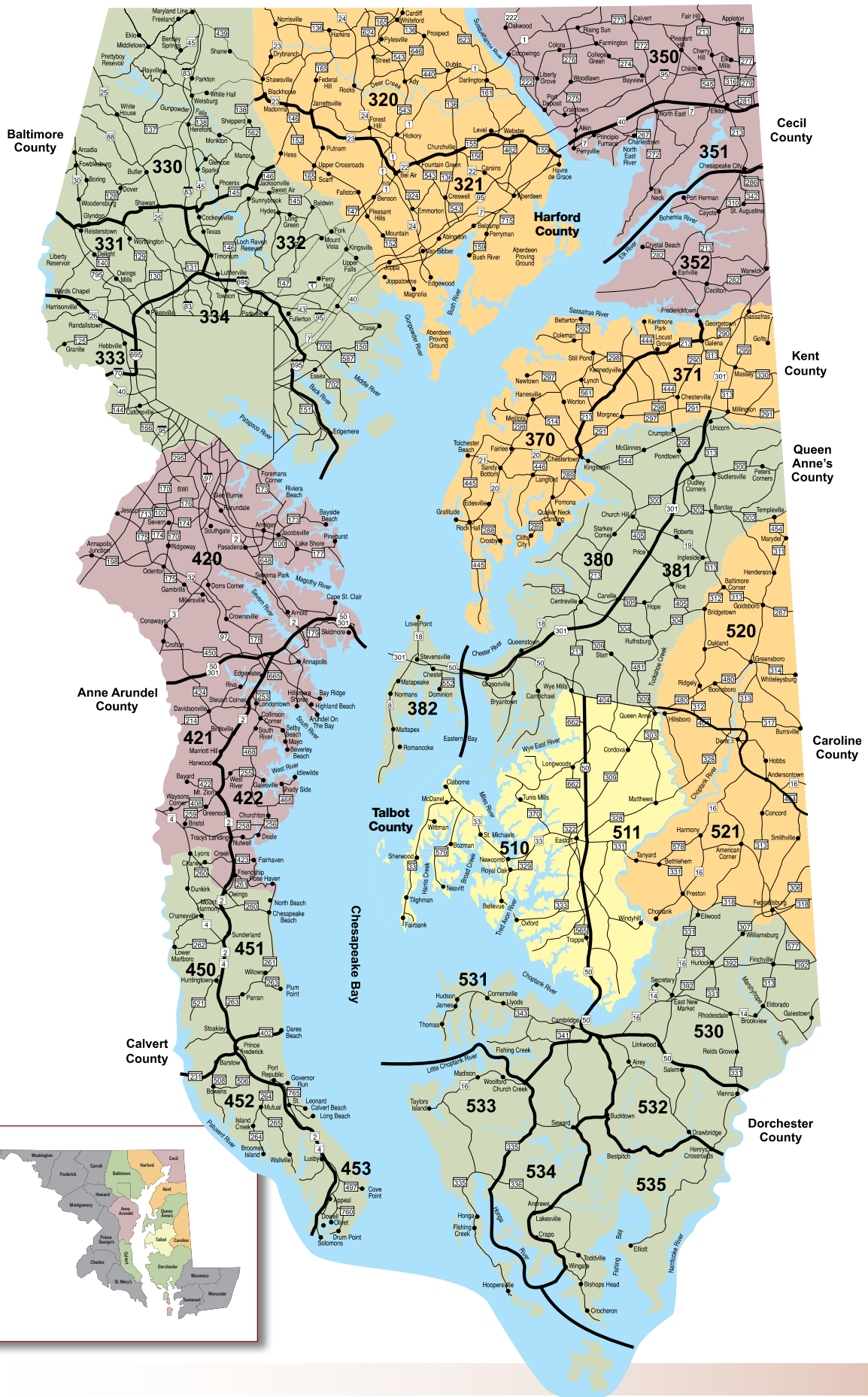
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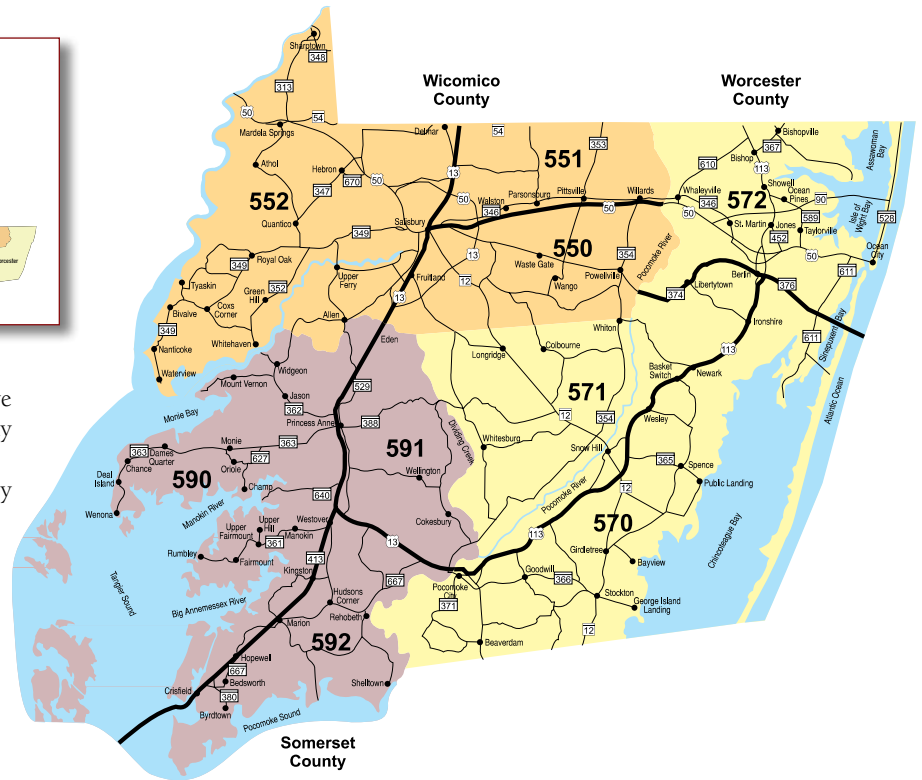


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


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Allegheny

- **Billmeyer-Belle Grove WMA:** 1,114 acres.   301-478-2525
- **Dan's Mountain WMA:** 9,681 acres.   301-478-2525
- **Green Ridge State Forest:** 46,657 acres. Free permit required for trapping, call 310-478-2525.    301-478-3124
- **Rocky Gap State Park:** 1,451 acres (general hunting), 300 acres (bow only). Special provisions to assist mobility-impaired hunters during the deer fire-arms season (free permit required).  301-722-1480
- **Warrior Mountain WMA:** 4,672 acres.  301-478-2525


Anne Arundel

- **Sandy Point State Park:** Waterfowl hunting at designated sites during the third split of the waterfowl season only. Boat access only. Reservation required.  301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm








Baltimore

- **Gunpowder Falls State Park:** 3,000 acres. 
 - » **Hammerman, Hart-Miller Island, Days Cove and North Point Areas:** Waterfowl blinds by lottery and/or by daily reservation.  410-356-9272, 7:30am–11:30am
 - » **Sweet Air Area:** Managed deer hunt (shotgun) by lottery, see page 54 for application.  410-356-9272, 7:30am–11:30am or 410-592-2897.
 - » **Hereford Area:** Deer bow hunting only.  410-329-6809.
- **Gwynnbrook WMA:** 35 acres. Deer bow hunting only.  410-356-9272, 7:30am–11:30am
- **Liberty Watershed:** 9,200 acres. Bow hunting only for all game species. No waterfowl hunting. Bowhunting Permit available on page 55 or register online at www.dnr.maryland.gov.  410-356-9272, 7:30am–11:30am
- **Loch Raven Watershed:** 1,600 acres. Deer bow hunting only. Bowhunting Permit available on page 55 or register online at www.dnr.maryland.gov.  410-356-9272, 7:30am–11:30am
- **Patapsco Valley State Park:** 3,895 acres. Deer bow hunting only.   410-461-5005
- **Prettyboy Watershed:** 7,380 acres. Bow hunting only for all game species. No waterfowl hunting. Bowhunting Permit available on page 55 or register online at

www.dnr.maryland.gov.  410-356-9272, 7:30am–11:30am

- **Soldiers Delight NEA:** 700 acres. Deer bow hunting. Managed deer hunt (shotgun) by lottery, see page 54 for application.  410-461-5005

Calvert

- **Calvert Cliffs State Park:** 950 acres.  301-888-1410
- **Flag Ponds Park CWMA:** 100 acres. Deer bow hunting only. Opens to hunting the Monday before the late Muzzleloader Season split. Reservation required.  301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Hall Creek NRMA:** 275 acres. Free permit and reservation required for waterfowl blind.  301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Huntingtown Area of King's Landing NRMA:** 960 acres. Hunting within King's Landing NRMA is allowed only in the Huntingtown Area which is north of Cocktown Creek. Hunting is not permitted in the Calvert County managed King's Landing Park. Reservation required for waterfowl blinds.     301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm.

Caroline

- **Ayton Tree Nursery:** 5 acres. Dove hunting by lottery only. Limited to youth age 15 and under with unarmed licensed adult. Limited to 4 junior hunters per day. Application (see page 55) due by 3pm August 18, 2011. Drawing August 18, 2011. 410-673-2467
- **Bridgetown Ponds:** 100 acres. Deer Bow Hunting only. Restricted Season: Nov. 26, 2011–Jan. 23, 2012. Daily sign-in required at Tuckahoe State Park.  410-820-1668.
- **Idylwild WMA:** 3,382 acres. Furbearer trapping permits issued by bid process.   410-376-3236.
- **Merrikan Gordy Complex CFL:** 426 acres.  410-632-3732
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- **Tuckahoe State Park:** 1,000 acres. Migratory goose hunting by lottery. Applications available online at: www.dnr.maryland.gov     410-820-1668

Carroll

- **Avondale WMA:** 180 acres. **Free** 410-356-9272, 7:30am–11:30am
- **Farver CWMA:** 23 acres. Deer bow hunting only. **Free** 410-356-9272, 7:30am–11:30am
- **Hahn CWMA:** 25 acres. Deer bow hunting only. **Free** 410-356-9272, 7:30am–11:30am
- **Hanover Watershed:** 337 acres. **Free** 410-356-9272, 7:30am–11:30am
- **Maring CWMA:** 237 acres. **Free** 410-356-9272, 7:30am–11:30am
- **Morgan Run NEA:** 1,300 acres. Deer bow and muzzleloader hunting only. **MHP** 410-461-5005
- **Patapsco Valley State Park:** see Baltimore County.
- **Raincliffe CWMA:** 35 acres. Deer bow hunting only. Saturday only. **Free** 410-356-9272, 7:30am–11:30am
- **Sawmill CWMA:** 500 acres. **Free** 410-356-9272, 7:30am–11:30am
- **Slacks CWMA:** 135 acres. Deer bow hunting only. **Free** 410-356-9272, 7:30am–11:30am
- **Speigel CWMA:** 250 acres. **Free** 410-356-9272, 7:30am–11:30am
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Cecil

- **C & D Canal Lands:** 410-356-9272, 7:30am–11:30am
 - » **Bethel:** 400 acres. Bow hunting only for deer. **Free**
 - » **Courthouse Point:** 315 acres. Bow hunting only for deer. **Free**
 - » **Elk Forest:** 242 acres. **Free**
 - » **Grove Neck:** Waterfowl only from two blind sites on the Sassafras River. No on site boat access available. **Free**

- » **Stemmers Run:** 750 acres. Boat access restricted to waterfowl hunting only. **Free**
- » **Welch Point:** 77 acres. **Free**
- **Earlville WMA:** 195 acres. **Free**
- **Elk Neck State Forest:** 3,316 acres. **Free** 410-287-5675
- **Elk Neck State Park:** 340 acres. For deer—410-287-5333. For waterfowl blinds by daily reservation—410-356-9272, 7:30am and 11:30am. **MHP**
- **Fair Hill NRMA:** 5,613 acres. Deer bow hunting and raccoon hunting. Managed deer hunt (shotgun) by lottery, see page 54 for application. Required parking permit. **MHP** 410-398-1246
- **Grove Farm WMA:** 744 acres. **Free** 410-356-9272, 7:30am–11:30am
- **Old Bohemia WMA:** 975 acres. **Free** 410-356-9272, 7:30am–11:30am

Charles

- **Blossom Point CWMA:** Waterfowl blind sites. Boat access only. Reservations required. **Free** 301-743-5161, 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Cedar Point WMA:** 1,920 acres. Reservations required for waterfowl blinds/blind sites. **Free**
- **Cedarville State Forest:** 1,100 acres. **Free** 301-743-5161, 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Chapel Point State Park:** 550 acres. **Free** 301-888-1410
- **Chapman State Park (210 Parcel):** 1,305 acres. **Free** 301-743-5161, 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Chapman State Park (Mt. Aventine Parcel):** 875 acres. Deer and waterfowl only. Reservations required. **Free** 301-743-5161, 8:00am–12:00pm

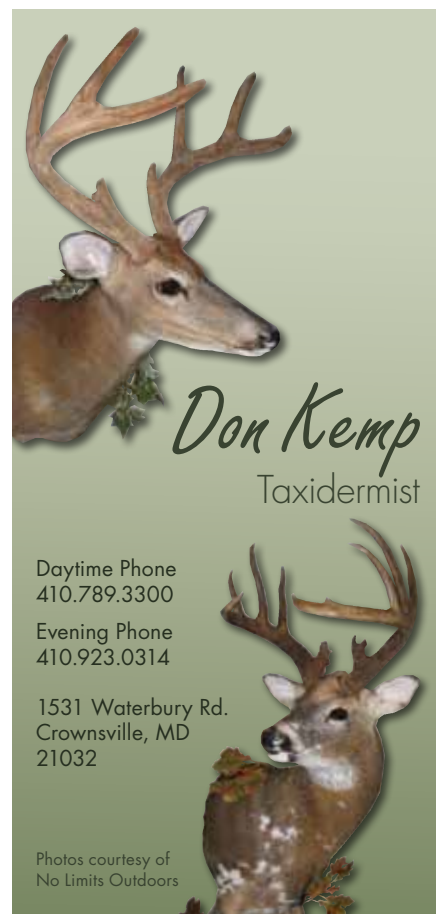
- **Chicamuxen WMA:** 381 acres. Reservations required for waterfowl blinds. **Free** 301-743-5161, 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Doncaster Demonstration Forest:** 1,700 acres. **Free** 301-743-5161, 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Indian Creek NRMA:** 680 acres. **Free** 301-743-5161, 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Mattawoman NEA:** 301-743-5161, 8:00am–12:00pm
 - » **Buteaux Crossing Tract:** 261 acres. **Free**
 - » **Pomfret Road Tracts:** 371 acres. **Free**
- **Myrtle Grove WMA:** 1,748 acres. **Free** 301-743-5161, 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Nanjemoy NRMA:** 1,458 acres (includes the former Pursue State Park & Douglas Point WMA/CWMA). Reservations required for waterfowl blind sites. **Free** 301-743-5161, 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Riverside WMA:** 394 acres. **Free** 301-743-5161, 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Tayloes Neck Tract (State Forest):** 300 acres. Reservations required for waterfowl blind sites. **Free** 301-743-5161, 8:00am–12:00pm

Free Central Region Public Hunting Permit

To obtain the free Central Region Public Hunting Permit either bring your hunting license to the Gwynnbrook Wildlife and Heritage Service office during office hours (Monday through Friday, 7:30-11:30 am) or mail a photocopy of your hunting license, vehicle tag number, day-time phone number, and a self addressed envelope to 3740 Gwynnbrook Avenue, Owings Mills, MD 21117. Please be sure to note specific areas of interest so applicable maps and regulations can be sent with your permit. For any questions, please call the Gwynnbrook office at 410-356-9272.

Free Southern Region Public Hunting Permit

You can now apply for the Southern Region Hunting Permit through the DNR website. For information on the areas covered by this permit and to apply online, go to dnr.maryland.gov/huntersguide/southern_region_hunt_permit.asp. For questions regarding specific areas and other methods to apply, please call the Myrtle Grove office at 301-743-5161.



PUBLIC HUNTING LANDS

Dorchester

- **Baumgarthner-Southam Complex CFL:** 210 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Fishing Bay WMA:** 29,237 acres. Furbearer trapping permits issued by bid process. 🐾 410-376-3236
- **Hoernicke-Oliphant Complex CFL:** 368 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Insley Complex CFL :** 450 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **LeCompte Complex CFL:** 452 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **LeCompte WMA:** 485 acres. Furbearer trapping permits issued by bid process. No squirrel hunting. Waterfowl hunting for the mobility-impaired, reservation required. ♿ 🐾 🚗 410-376-3236
- **Lewis Complex CFL:** 1,575 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Linkwood WMA:** 313 acres. Furbearer trapping permits issued by bid process. 🐾 410-376-3236
- **Marshy Hope Complex CFL:** 3,355 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Tar Bay WMA:** 12 acres. Waterfowl (water access only). 410-376-3236
- **Taylors Island WMA:** 1,114 acres. Furbearer trapping permits by bid process. Primarily boat access. 🐾 410-376-3236

Frederick

- **Cunningham Falls State Park:** 3,500 acres. Reservations required. Free permit required for raccoon hunting and fox chasing. ♿ 🚗 301-271-7574
- **Frederick City Watershed CWMA:** 7,300 acres. Free permit required to hunt furbearers at night. 🐾 301-842-2702
- **Heater's Island WMA:** 194 acres. Boat access only. 🐾 301-842-2702
- **Monocacy NRMA:** 1,800 acres. 301-924-2127
- **South Mountain State Park:** 3,350 acres. 🐾 301-791-4767
- **Thurmont Watershed CWMA:** 300 acres. 🐾 301-842-2702

Garrett

- **Deep Creek Lake State Park:** 1,200 acres. No firearms hunting until Oct. 16, 2011. No waterfowl hunting. ♿ 🚗 301-387-5563
- **Mt. Nebo WMA:** 1,860 acres. 🚗 🐾 301-334-4255
- **Potomac-Garrett State Forest:** 18,535 acres. For trapping permit call 310-334-4225. 🎯 🚗 🐾 301-334-2038

- **Savage River State Forest:** 54,447 acres. For trapping permit call 310-334-4225. 🚗 🎯 🐾 301-895-5759
- **Youghiogheny Reservoir CWMA:** 900 acres. 301-334-4255
- **Youghiogheny Scenic Wild River:** 1200 acres. 🐾 301-387-5563

Harford

- **Gunpowder Falls State Park:** See Baltimore County
- **Rocks State Park:** 120 acres. Deer bow hunting only. 410-557-7994
- **Stoney Demonstration Forest:** 318 acres. 🆓 410-356-9272 between 7:30am–11:30am.
- **Susquehanna State Park:** 880 acres. Deer bow hunting only. MHP 410-557-7994. Waterfowl blinds by daily reservation. MHP 410-356-9272 between 7:30am and 11:30am

Howard

- **Hugg-Thomas WMA:** 276 acres. ♿ 🆓 410-356-9272 between 7:30am–11:30am
- **Patapsco Valley State Park:** See Baltimore County
- **Patuxent River State Park:** 5,000 acres. 301-924-2127

Kent

- **Millington WMA:** 4,000 acres. No hunting for bobwhite quail. Canada goose hunting by reservation only. Limited spring turkey hunting. ♿ 🚗 🐾 📅 410-928-3650
- **Sassafras NRMA:** 1,000 acres. General hunting with restrictions. Migratory goose and waterfowl hunting by lottery only. Restrictions and applications available online at: www.dnr.maryland.gov. MHP ♿ 📅 🚗 410-820-1668

Montgomery

- **Cherrington CWMA (MNCPPC):** 275 acres. Deer hunting only. 410-356-9272 between 7:30am–11:30am
- **McKee-Beshers WMA:** 1,960 acres. 410-356-9272 between 7:30am–11:30am
- **Patuxent River State Park:** See Howard County
- **Seneca Creek State Park:** 1,000 acres including 3 tracts for deer bow hunting only. MHP » **Managed Deer Hunt** (shotgun) by lottery, see page 55 for application. MHP 301-924-2127

» **Schaeffer Farm:** Deer shotgun hunting. MHP 410-356-9272 between 7:30am and 11:30am

- **Strider 1 WMA:** 100 acres. Deer bow hunting only. 🆓 ♿ 410-356-9272 between 7:30am–11:30am
- **Strider 2 WMA:** 70 acres. Deer bow hunting only. 🆓 410-356-9272 between 7:30am–11:30am

Prince George's

- **Aquasco Farm CWMA (MNCPPC):** 150 acres. Deer bow hunting only. 🆓 301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Bowen WMA:** 300 acres. Reservations required. Boat access only. 🆓 🐾 301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Cedarville State Forest:** See Charles County.
- **Cheltenham WMA:** 15 acres. Dove hunting. Reservation required. 🎯 🆓 301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Milltown Landing NRMA:** 250 acres. Reservations required for waterfowl blinds. 🚗 🆓 301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm
- **National Park Service Blind Sites:** Reservation required. Boat access only. 🆓 301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Nottingham NRMA:** 329 acres. Reservations required for waterfowl blind sites. 🆓 📅 301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Patuxent River Park/Billingsley (MNCPPC):** 400 acres. Deer bow hunting only. Reservation required. 🆓 301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Rosaryville State Park:** 460 acres. Deer bow hunting only. Reservation required. 🚗 🆓 301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Spice Creek NRMA:** 230 acres. Reservations required for waterfowl blinds. 🆓 📅 301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm

Queen Anne's

- **Tuckahoe State Park:** See Caroline County.
- **Wye Island NRMA:** 2,500 acres. Deer Bow Season hunting limited to 25 hunters per day. 📅 Deer muzzleloader hunting by lottery. Application on page 54. MHP Deer Firearms Season hunting by lottery. Application on page 54. MHP Migratory goose hunting by lottery. ♿ MHP Lottery applications are available online at www.dnr.maryland.gov/hunting/managedhunt/html or by sending a self-addressed, stamped

envelope to Wye Island NRMA, 632 Wye Island Rd., Queenstown, MD 21658. 410-827-7577. **Hunters are required to submit a copy of their current Maryland Hunting License along with their permit application.**

Somerset

- **Cedar Island WMA:** 2,880 acres. Furbearer trapping permits issued by bid process. Boat access only. 🐾 410-543-8223
- **Deal Island WMA:** 13,400 acres. Furbearer trapping permits issued by bid process. Impoundment area open to hunting during: Junior Waterfowl Hunting Day (for persons aged 15 or younger); October duck season on opening day, Wednesday and any Saturday; November duck season on opening day, Tuesdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Thanksgiving; all hunting days during the December/January duck season. The impoundment will be closed to hunting on all other days. Lottery permit required for impoundment on certain dates. To request a lottery application, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Wellington WMA, 32733 Dublin Rd., Princess Anne, MD 21853. Requests for applications must be received by Sept. 1. Multiple application requests require extra postage! 🐾 410-543-8223
- **E. Mace Smith Complex CFL:** 1,708 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Fairmount WMA:** 5,054 acres. Furbearer trapping permits issued by bid process. Lottery for impoundment on certain dates. To request a lottery application, see information above for Deal Island WMA. 🐾 410-543-8223
- **Haislip-Marumsc Complex CFL:** 1,379 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Janes Island State Park:** 3,147 acres. Waterfowl hunting only. Trapping permits issued through bid process. 🐾 410-968-1565
- **Maryland Marine Properties WMA:** 1,130 acres. Furbearer trapping permits issued by bid process. 🐾 410-543-8223
- **Oriole Complex CFL:** 567 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Peters McAllen Complex CFL:** 934 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Pocomoke Sound WMA:** 922 acres. Furbearer trapping permits issued by bid process. Boat access only. 🐾 410-543-8223
- **South Marsh WMA:** 2,969 acres. Furbearers trapping permits issued

by bid process. Boat access only. 🐾 410-543-8223

- **Wellington WMA:** 429 acres. Furbearer trapping permits issued by bid process. 🐾 410-543-8223
- **Wells Complex CFL:** 1,915 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732

St. Mary's

- **Elms CWMA:** 545 acres. No wood-chuck hunting. Reservation required. Spring turkey hunting on Saturdays only. Environmental education on site. **Free** 301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Greenwell State Park:** 187 acres. 🚗 301-872-5688
- **Newtowne Neck State Park:** 550 acres. Reservation required for waterfowl blinds/blind sites. **Free** 301-872-5688 or 301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm.
- **Myrtle Point CWMA Blind Sites:** Waterfowl hunting in the third split of the season only. Reservation required. Boat access only. **Free** 301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm
- **Point Lookout State Park:** 240 acres. No deer hunting during the early muzzle-loader season. 301-872-5688
- **St. Clement's Island State Park:** 63 acres. Rabbit and waterfowl hunting only. Accessible only by boat. 301-872-5688
- **Salem Tract:** (State Forest) 850 acres. 🐾 301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm.
- **St. Inigoes State Forest:** 600 acres. Reservation required for waterfowl blind sites and raccoon hunting. **Free** 301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm.
- **St. Mary's Lake:** Waterfowl hunting at designated sites only. Boat access only (No gas motors). Reservation required. **Free** 301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm.
- **St. Mary's River State Park:** 2,200 acres. 301-872-5688

Talbot

- **Seth Demonstration Forest CFL:** 124 acres. Deer bow hunting only. 410-632-3732

Washington

- **Fort Frederick State Park:** 400 acres. Managed deer hunt (shotgun) by lottery, see page 54 for application. **MHP** 301-842-2155
- **Greenbrier State Park:** 500 acres. Free permit required for raccoon hunting and fox chasing. 🐾 301-791-4767
- **Indian Springs WMA:** 6,635 acres. 🚗 301-842-2702

- **Prather's Neck WMA:** 205 acres (general hunting), 10 acres (bow hunting only). 🐾 301-842-2702
- **Sideling Hill WMA:** 3,100 acres. 🐾 301-842-2702
- **South Mountain State Park:** See Frederick County.
- **Woodmont NRMA:** 2,400 acres. For free trapping permit call 301-842-2702. 🚗 301-842-2155

Wicomico

- **Athol Complex CFL:** 682 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Aughty Naughty Complex CFL:** 1,317 acres. Includes the Brown Tract: 70 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Ellis Bay WMA:** 2,994 acres. Furbearer trapping permits issued by bid process. 🐾 410-376-3236
- **Fair Meadow Complex CFL:** 362 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Greenhill Complex CFL:** 3,312 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Johnson WMA:** 115 acres. Furbearer trapping permits issued by bid process. Deer hunting with bow only. 🐾 410-543-8223



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- **Louis Horner Complex CFL:** 465 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Nanticoke River WMA:** 1,688 acres. Furbearer trapping permits issued by bid process. 🐾 410-376-3236
- **Wetipquin WMA:** 100 acres. Furbearer trapping permits issued by bid process. 🐾 410-376-3236
- **Wicomico Demonstration Forest CFL:** 3,503 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732

Worcester

- **Abe Harmond Complex CFL:** 149 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Apgar Tract CFL:** 198 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Assateague State Park:** 450 acres. Deer bow hunting only restricted to Nov. 1, 2011–Jan. 30, 2012. Self sign in required at Pump House #1. Limit of 10 hunters per day plus 2 hunters with Hunt From a Vehicle Permits. 🚗 📄 410-641-2120
- **Bethards Tract CFL:** 33 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732

- **Buck Harbor Complex CFL:** 315 acres located off Stevens Roads. This area is managed for handicap hunters who are restricted to a wheelchair. For more information contact the National Wild Turkey Federation at 410-546-9154. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Cordery Complex CFL:** 595 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Creek Complex CFL:** 868 acres. This complex is comprised of the Creek, Chatham, and Tankard Farm tracts. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Dunn Swamp Complex CFL:** 1,150 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **E. A. Vaughn WMA:** 2,630 acres. Furbearer trapping permits issued by bid process. Caution squirrel hunters: endangered Delmarva Fox Squirrel may not be hunted. 🚗 🐾 410-543-8223
- **Hickory Point Natural Heritage Area:** 1,735 acres. 410-543-8223
- **Isle of Wight WMA:** 232 acres. Furbearer trapping permits issued by bid process.

- Area south of Rt. 90 closed to hunting. 🐾 410-543-8223
- **Johnson & Johnson Tract CFL:** 871 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Pocomoke River State Forest:** 13,036 acres. Free permit required for trapping and raccoon hunting. Limited vehicle access. 🚗 🐾 Free 410-632-3732
- **Pocomoke River WMA:** 1,016 acres. Furbearer trapping permits issued by bid process. 🐾 410-543-8223
- **Priscilla Pusey Complex CFL:** 154 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Selby Complex CFL:** 531 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Sinepuxent Islands WMA:** 25 acres. Furbearer trapping permits issued by bid process. Boat access only. 🐾 410-543-8223
- **Timmons-Donnaway Complex CFL:** 527 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732
- **Whitesburg Complex CFL:** 375 acres. 🐾 410-632-3732

Public Land Codes by County

PUBLIC LAND	CODE
Allegany County	01
Dan's Mountain WMA	240
Warrior Mountain WMA	241
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Billmeyer WMA	243
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Prettyboy Watershed	340
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Gunpowder SP	343
Patapsco SP	344
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Calvert Cliffs SP	455
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Chapel Point SP	403
Cedarville SF	405
Indian Creek NRMA	406
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Linkwood WMA	541
Fishing Bay WMA	542
Blackwater NWR	543
Taylor's Island WMA	544
Chesapeake Forest Lands	545
Frederick County	10
Frederick City Watershed	280
Cunningham Falls SP, Thurmont WS	281
Monocacy NRMA	282
South Mountain SP	283
Emmitsburg Watershed	284
Fort Detrick	285
Heaters Island WMA	286
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Garrett SF	222
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Millington WMA	375
Eastern Neck NWR	376
Sassafras NRMA	378
Montgomery County	15
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McKee-Beshers WMA	441
Seneca Creek SP	442
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Spice Creek (Patuxent River) NRMA	481
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St. Mary's SP or Salem Tract	467
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Maryland Marine Properties WMA	505
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MANAGED DEER HUNTING PROGRAMS

Managed deer hunts will be conducted during the 2011–2012 hunting season as listed below. Lottery applications for these hunts are available on pages 54–55.

MANAGED DEER HUNTS IN NORTH/CENTRAL MARYLAND

A Shooter Qualification Card (see below) and a DNR Managed Hunt Permit (see page 14) are required to participate in the following hunts. Hunters will be chosen by lottery. Only one application per hunter. Group applications of up to three hunters will be accepted and must be stapled together.

Shotguns with slugs are the only firearms allowed for these hunts. The use of scopes is encouraged. Deer taken will not count toward the hunter's regular deer firearms season bag limit.

Hunters participating in the Fair Hill, Gunpowder Falls, Patapsco Valley State Park/Soldiers Delight NEA, and Seneca Creek hunts will be allowed to harvest four antlerless deer and approximately 1 out of 10 hunters will be chosen by drawing on the morning of the hunt to harvest an antlered

deer in lieu of one of the four antlerless deer. Hunters participating in the Fort Frederick State Park hunt will be allowed to harvest two antlerless deer.

- **Fair Hill Natural Resources Management Area:** (Cecil) Limit of 180 hunters. 410-356-9272 between 7:30am–11:30am or 410-398-1246.
- **Gunpowder Falls State Park—Sweet Air Area:** (Baltimore and Harford) Limit of 65 hunters. 410-356-9272 between 7:30am–11:30am or 410-592-2897.
- **Fort Frederick State Park:** (Washington) Limit of 30 hunters. 301-842-2155
- **Patapsco Valley State Park/Soldiers Delight NEA:** (Baltimore) Limit of 140 hunters. 410-356-9272 between 7:30am–11:30am or 410-461-5005.
- **Seneca Creek State Park:** (Montgomery) Limit of 110 hunters. 410-356-9272 between 7:30am–11:30am or 301-924-2127.

MANAGED DEER HUNTS IN SOUTHERN MARYLAND

A Shooter Qualification Card (see below) and Hunter Safety verification are required to participate in these hunts. Hunters will be chosen by lottery. Only one application

per hunter. Group applications of up to three hunters will be accepted and must be stapled together. All applications must be accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped, legal sized envelope. Shotguns with slugs are the only firearms allowed for these hunts. The use of scopes is encouraged.

- **Blossom Point Army Research Lab Junior Hunt:** (Charles County) Jr. Hunters Only. 301-743-5161 between 8:00am–12:00pm.
- **Smithsonian Environmental Research Center:** (Anne Arundel County) Mandatory Scout Date – November 20, 2011 from 8:00am to 2:00pm. Use of a portable tree stand is required. Accommodations will be made for hunters with a Hunt From A Vehicle Permit.

SHOOTER QUALIFICATION CARD PROGRAM

The DNR facilitates the Shooter Qualification Program. Through this program local sportsman's clubs, shooting clubs, and other groups avail their facilities and expertise to certify hunters. Those hunters, who meet certain shooting qualification standards, become certified and receive a Maryland State Shooter Qualification Card valid for



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the current year. This card serves as “proof of proficiency” and enables a qualified hunter to be eligible for many of the managed deer hunts held across Maryland.

The Fort Frederick State Park Qualification event will be held November 6, 2011 beginning at 10am at the Fort Frederick Range in Washington County (All hunters must arrive by 10am.).

The Qualification event held at the Notchcliff Army National Guard Range in Baltimore County for the Fair Hill, Gunpowder Falls, and Soldiers Delight Hunting Programs will be held on December 11, 2011. (All hunters must arrive by 10am.)

Other Shooter Qualification events are held at different times and locations throughout the year. Many of the organizations that host these events charge a fee. The DNR will issue a press release in the summer announcing the dates for the various qualifications. The DNR website will list the website addresses of participating sportsmen's clubs and other locations where Shooter Qualifications will be held. The DNR website address for this information is: <http://dnr.maryland.gov/huntersguide/shootqual.asp>

Hunters interested in participating in managed hunts should contact the organization holding the hunt to learn more about their program and any additional requirements.

Western Maryland Hunters and Black Bears



Western Maryland (Garrett, Allegany, Washington, and Frederick counties) is home to a healthy black bear population. Accordingly, hunters may find themselves encountering black bears, especially in and around natural or artificial food sources, such as bait piles. Although black bears are generally shy animals and run when confronted by people, they may try to protect a food source. Black bears are wild animals that should be treated with respect. If approached by a bear while hunting, DNR recommends that you make your presence known to the bear. Make noise, remain upright, and don't run.

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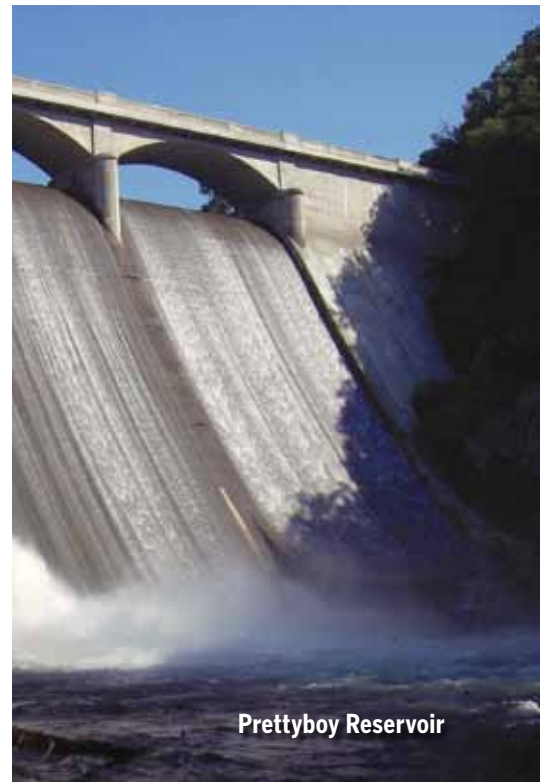
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BOWHUNTING AT LIBERTY, LOCH RAVEN, and PRETTYBOY RESERVOIRS

- Parking or driving motor vehicles of any description except on hard surfaced roads is prohibited.
- No fires are permitted on the watershed areas at any time.
- Hunting is permitted only from sunrise to sunset.
- No hunting within 50 feet of high water shoreline.
- No hunting is allowed south of Liberty Road (MD Rt. 26) on Liberty Reservoir in Baltimore County.
- Hunters must adhere to all regulations established by the Baltimore City Bureau of Water and Wastewater.
- Hunters are warned against the disposal of refuse and trash on the watershed area, and violators will be prosecuted in accordance with the law.
- Although not recommended by Baltimore City Department of Public Works, the use of patented portable tree stands is permitted.

- Masks or other face gear shall be removed upon leaving the woods and when approaching within 100 yards of another person.
- Permits are valid for the entire season for the taking of game, except waterfowl, by BOW only at Liberty and Prettyboy Reservoirs.
- On Loch Raven Reservoir, the permit is valid for deer hunting only with bow and arrow in designated areas.
- On Loch Raven Reservoir hunting is prohibited on the Torrey C. Brown Rail Trail/NCR Trail.
- Baltimore City Department of Public Works regulations allow for use of crossbows on Liberty, Loch Raven, and Prettyboy Reservoirs during the entire deer bow season established by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources.

Online self registration is available for bowhunting at Liberty, Loch Raven, and Prettyboy Reservoirs at www.dnr.maryland.gov/huntersguide/lnp.asp.



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Name: _____

Address (street): _____

(city, state, zip): _____

Telephone #: _____

Hunting License #: _____

Number the hunt date blocks, with #1 being your first choice:

<input type="checkbox"/> December 6, 2011	<input type="checkbox"/> December 7, 2011
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Mail the completed application to:

Fort Frederick State Park
11100 Fort Frederick Road, Big Pool, MD 21711

Deadline for applications is October 11, 2011.

The lottery drawing will be held on October 12, 2011 at 10:00am.

Fair Hill NRMA Managed Hunt Application

Name: _____

Address (street): _____

(city, state, zip): _____

Telephone #: _____

Hunting License #: _____

Number the hunt date blocks, with #1 being your first choice:

<input type="checkbox"/> January 9, 2012	<input type="checkbox"/> January 10, 2012
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Mail the completed application to:

Gwynnbrook WMA
3740 Gwynnbrook Ave., Owings Mills, MD 21117

Deadline for applications is November 11, 2011.

The lottery drawing will be held on November 14, 2011 at 12:30pm.

Gunpowder Falls State Park Managed Hunt Application Sweet Air Area

Name: _____

Address (street): _____

(city, state, zip): _____

Telephone #: _____

Hunting License #: _____

Number the hunt date blocks, with #1 being your first choice:

<input type="checkbox"/> January 19, 2012	<input type="checkbox"/> January 20, 2012
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Mail the completed application to:

Gwynnbrook WMA
3740 Gwynnbrook Ave., Owings Mills, MD 21117

Deadline for applications is November 11, 2011.

The lottery drawing will be held on November 14, 2011 at 12:30pm.

Patapsco Valley State Park/Soldiers Delight NEA Managed Hunt Application

Name: _____

Address (street): _____

(city, state, zip): _____

Telephone #: _____

Hunting License #: _____

Number the hunt date blocks, with #1 being your first choice:

<input type="checkbox"/> January 4, 2012	<input type="checkbox"/> January 5, 2012
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Mail the completed application to:

Gwynnbrook WMA
3740 Gwynnbrook Ave., Owings Mills, MD 21117

Deadline for applications is November 11, 2011.

The lottery drawing will be held on November 14, 2011 at 12:30pm.

Smithsonian Environmental Research Center Managed Deer Hunt Application

Name: _____

Address (street): _____

(city, state, zip): _____

Telephone # (day/evening): _____

Hunting License #: _____

Shooter Qualification #: _____

A copy of your Shooter Qualification Card must be submitted no later than November 4, 2011.

Hunter Safety Card #: _____

Hunt from a Vehicle Permit #: _____

Number the hunt date blocks, with #1 being your first choice:

<input type="checkbox"/> November 26, 2011	<input type="checkbox"/> November 28, 2011
<input type="checkbox"/> November 30, 2011	<input type="checkbox"/> December 2, 2011
<input type="checkbox"/> December 3, 2011	<input type="checkbox"/> December 5, 2011
<input type="checkbox"/> December 7, 2011	<input type="checkbox"/> December 9, 2011
<input type="checkbox"/> December 10, 2011	

Mail the completed application to:

Smithsonian Environmental Research Center, Attn: Tony Dove
647 Contees Wharf Rd., Edgewater, MD 21037

Deadline for applications is October 7, 2011.

The lottery drawing will be held on October 12, 2011.

The mandatory scout date is November 20, 2011 from 8am to 2pm.

Wye Island NRMA Deer Hunt Application

Name: _____

Address (street): _____

(city, state, zip): _____

Telephone # (day/evening): _____

Hunting License #: _____

Vehicle Tag(s) #: _____

October Hunt (Muzzleloader)

Number the hunt date blocks, with #1 being your first choice:

<input type="checkbox"/> October 20, 2011	<input type="checkbox"/> October 21, 2011
<input type="checkbox"/> October 22, 2011	

October hunt applications must be postmarked by Sept. 9, 2011.

The lottery drawing will be held on September 14, 2011 at 2:00pm.

December Hunt (Firearms)

Number the hunt date blocks, with #1 being your first choice:

<input type="checkbox"/> December 5, 2011	<input type="checkbox"/> December 6, 2011
<input type="checkbox"/> December 7, 2011	<input type="checkbox"/> December 8, 2011
<input type="checkbox"/> December 9, 2011	<input type="checkbox"/> December 10, 2011

December hunt applications must be postmarked by Oct. 25, 2011.

The lottery drawing will be held on October 31, 2011 at 2:00pm.

Mail this completed application form:

Wye Island NRMA, 632 Wye Island Road, Queenstown, MD 21658

Separate applications must be submitted for October & December hunts.

Blossom Point Army Research Lab Junior Deer Hunt Application

Name: _____
 Address (street): _____
 (city, state, zip): _____
 Telephone # (day/evening): _____
 Date of Birth: _____
 Hunting License #: _____
 Shooter Qualification #: _____
 Hunter Safety Card #: _____

The hunt date is October 15, 2011.

Mail the completed application to:
 Myrtle Grove WMA, 5625 Myrtle Grove Rd., La Plata, MD 20646

Registration deadline is September 29, 2011.

Seneca Creek State Park Managed Hunt Application

Name: _____
 Address (street): _____
 (city, state, zip): _____
 Telephone #: _____
 Hunting License #: _____

Number the hunt date blocks, with #1 being your first choice:

☐ January 12, 2012 ☐ January 13, 2012

Mail the completed application to:
 Gwynnbrook WMA
 3740 Gwynnbrook Ave., Owings Mills, MD 21117

Deadline for applications is November 11, 2011.

The lottery drawing will be held on November 14, 2011 at 12:30pm.

Ayton Tree Nursery Junior Dove Hunt Application

Name: _____
 Address (street): _____
 (city, state, zip): _____
 Telephone # (day/evening): _____
 Date of Birth: _____
 Email Address: _____
 Hunting License #: _____
 Hunter Safety Card #: _____

Check off the preferred hunting dates:

<input type="checkbox"/> September 1, 2011	<input type="checkbox"/> September 3, 2011
<input type="checkbox"/> September 5, 2011	<input type="checkbox"/> September 10, 2011
<input type="checkbox"/> September 14, 2011	<input type="checkbox"/> September 17, 2011
<input type="checkbox"/> September 21, 2011	<input type="checkbox"/> September 24, 2011
<input type="checkbox"/> September 28, 2011	<input type="checkbox"/> October 1, 2011

Limit of 4 Junior Hunters per day.

Mail the completed application to:
 Ayton Tree Nursery
 3424 Gallagher Road, Preston, MD 21655

Deadline for applications is 3pm, August 18, 2011.
 The lottery drawing will be held on August 18, 2011.

Bowhunting Permit for the Liberty and Prettyboy Reservoirs 2011-2012

Complete the information below and keep this section with your hunting license. **This permit must be in your possession while hunting on the above areas.**

Name: _____
 Address (street): _____
 (city, state, zip): _____
 Hunting License #: _____
 Vehicle Tag(s) #: _____

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Maps of the watersheds are available from the DNR online at www.dnr.maryland.gov or send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

Maryland Department of Natural Resources
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Loch Raven Reservoir Deer Bow Hunting Permit 2011-2012

Hunter's Copy

Complete the information below and keep this section with your hunting license. **This permit must be in your possession while hunting on the above area.**

Name: _____
 Address (street): _____
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 Telephone #: _____
 Hunting License #: _____
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Note: This permit is valid only if the DNR Copy (see below) of the Loch Raven Reservoir Deer Bow Hunting Permit has been completed and sent to the indicated address.

Maps of the Loch Raven Watershed are available from DNR online at www.dnr.maryland.gov or send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

Maryland Department of Natural Resources
 3740 Gwynnbrook Ave., Owings Mills, MD 21117

Specific rules for deer hunting on Loch Raven are in effect.

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Loch Raven Reservoir Deer Bow Hunting Permit 2011-2012

DNR Copy

In order for your permit to be valid, complete the information below and mail this section to DNR at the following address:

Loch Raven Reservoir Deer Bow Hunting Permit
 Maryland Department of Natural Resources
 3740 Gwynnbrook Ave., Owings Mills, MD 21117

Name: _____
 Address (street): _____
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JUNIOR HUNTER CERTIFICATES

Junior Hunter Certificates are available through **Official Department of Natural Resources Junior Hunter Certificate Agents**. Junior Hunters (age 16 and under) are eligible for these special commemorative certificates for their deer, turkey or bear taken during the 2011–2012 hunting seasons. Certificates are available through the Official Junior Hunter Certificate Agents listed below. For more information visit the DNR website at: www.dnr.state.md.us/huntersguide/yh_certprogram.asp

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Annapolis, MD 21409
410-974-4013

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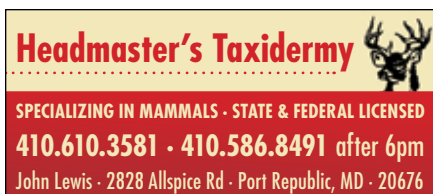
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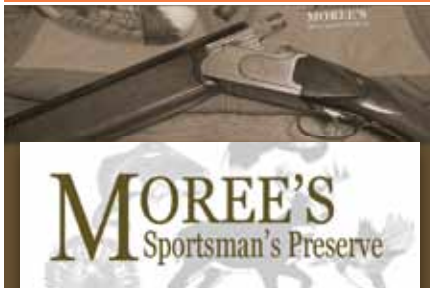
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2	6:36	7:36	7:03	6:48	7:35	6:04	7:08	4:44	7:26	4:55	7:13	5:28	6:37	6:00	6:49	7:32	6:06	8:01
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