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**This publication is a summary of hunting and trapping regulations. It is not the full law or rules. It is intended only as a guide to inform the hunter of seasons, bag limits and other necessary information.**

For more detailed information concerning regulations, consult the New Hampshire Fish and Game Law Book or contact your local Conservation Officer.

Fish and Game laws and rules may be viewed at any Fish and Game office (see page 3 for phone numbers); the Secretary of State's office, State House, Concord; Legislative Services in the State House Annex, 25 Capitol St., Room 219, Concord, NH 03301; and at **www.HuntNH.com**. A compendium of Fish and Game laws may also be purchased at Department headquarters in Concord for \$38.00.



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# NEW RULES FOR 2008

- **Youth Deer Season Reciprocity:** Starting this year, nonresident youths may participate in youth hunting days for deer provided that the state in which they are a resident holds a special youth deer hunt and New Hampshire resident youths are allowed to participate without restriction based on residency. Nothing shall limit participation of youth from states that do not hold a special youth deer hunt.
- **Bow Draw Weight Changes:** Minimum draw weight for moose has been changed from 60 pounds to 50 pounds, and for turkey from 40 pounds to 30 pounds. Minimum draw weight for all other species is 40 pounds.
- **Turkey Season in WMU - A:** The spring season will be extended through May 31 to make it consistent with the rest of the state. The fall season remains closed.
- **Small Game and Fur:** Many changes made to simplify and seasons, see pages 54-57.

## *Second Year Reminders:*

- **Deer Seasons in WMU – A:** To address an imbalance in buck age structure in WMU-A, the archery and firearms seasons will both end 1 week earlier than the rest of the state during the 2008 season (i.e. archery Dec. 8, firearms Nov. 30), and muzzleloader season will open 2 days later on Nov. 3. In addition, all bucks (except youth season) must have a minimum of 2 points on one side to be legal. (See page 38 for further info).
- **Baiting:** Bait sites on state managed lands will now be restricted to 1 per trapping unit. Applications to bait on state managed lands will not be accepted prior to April 1 each year. For further information on baiting, please contact your local Conservation Officer, or the Law Enforcement office at (603) 271-3127.
- **Woodcock Season:** The woodcock season will now run from Oct. 6 – Nov. 4, 2008. This later season opener is designed to increase opportunities at the end of the season when more birds are migrating through.

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# LICENSE INFORMATION

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Hunting licenses are required for persons 16 years of age and above.

## EXCEPTIONS (License Not Required)

- Resident landowners and their minor children under the age of 16 may hunt and trap on their own land in season without a license. This exception does not apply to activities requiring a special license or permit (i.e. archery, muzzleloader, pheasants, turkey, etc.).
- Children under 16 years of age while hunting, when accompanied by a properly licensed person 18 years of age or older, excluding turkey, Unit M permit, special archery deer, bear and nonresident muzzleloader. See pages 10–13.

## Juvenile Hunters

Any hunter under 16 years of age may only hunt when accompanied by a properly licensed adult who is at least 18 years of age. **Accompanied** means within sight and hearing, excluding electronic devices, when actual physical direction and control can be affected.

No archery license is required, but archers under 16 years of age must be accompanied by a properly licensed person at least 18 years of age.

## Hunter Education Requirements

Anyone applying to hunt with a firearm or bow must present a previous hunting or archery license or a Certificate of Completion from an approved Hunter or Bowhunter Education course. Duplicates of lost certificates are \$2.00 (call 603-271-3214); date of birth must be included if applying by mail. See page 61 for Hunter Education information.

## Residency Requirements

To obtain a license at resident rates, the person must present to the issuing agent a valid New Hampshire driver's license or non-driver's picture identification card issued by the N.H. Department of Safety, Div. of Motor Vehicles. Whenever the applicant is under 18 years of age, the parent or guardian of the applicant shall be a resident and present their valid N.H. driver's license or non-driver's picture identification.

## Buying a License

Hunting licenses, valid Jan. 1 to Dec. 31 of each year, may be purchased online via [www.HuntNH.com](http://www.HuntNH.com), from license agents, Fish and Game Department headquarters in Concord, Fish and Game Region 1, 2 and 4 offices and some town or city clerks. Trapping and fur buyer licenses, valid July 1 to June 30 of each year, are only available at Fish and Game's Concord headquarters.

## Archery

An archery license allows a person to hunt wildlife in season with a bow and arrow and allows the taking of one deer by bow and arrow during the special archery season for deer.

## Prohibited Acts

Hunting, trapping or guiding, or the purchase or possession of a license for same, is unlawful if the person has a license revocation or suspension in any other state/province for big game, furbearer or guiding violations.

It's unlawful to possess more than one of any type of regular hunting license or permit, use another person's license or permit, allow another person to use your license or permit, or not show your license upon demand.

## Special Permits

See pages 10-13 for required permits for residents and nonresidents.

## Lost Licenses

Lost licenses can be replaced at Fish and Game's Concord headquarters, or at the license agency that issued the original license. The cost of a duplicate license is \$6.00 per license form.

## Military Licenses

N.H. residents who are regular active duty in the U.S. Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, or Coast Guard permanently stationed outside the state may be eligible for free temporary hunting and fishing licenses. Available at N.H. Fish and Game Headquarters in Concord; Region 1, 2 and 4 offices; or by mail or fax (603) 271-5829 (download an Active Duty Military License application from the Fish and Game website and send with duty orders). A copy of duty orders must be presented for verification. Call (603) 271-3422 for information.

# N.H. Resident

## Type of License/Comments

### Hunting & Fishing\*

#### Resident Hunting\*

**Lifetime Resident Hunting & Fishing** — Call (603) 271-3422 for details.

**Over 68 Resident Hunting & Fishing, Muzzleloader, Archery\*\*,**

**Trapping\*\*\***—Remainder of life. Must be resident 2 years. Deer tag not issued (see inside back cover)

**Resident Archery** — Firearm license not required.\*\*

**Special Archery Deer** — Archery license required. Must be purchased at the same time as Archery License; cannot be sold separately. Antlered only.

**Special Unit M Deer Tag** — See page 26 for details.

**Deer Crossbow** — Valid during firearms deer season using firearms deer tag only. Available at Concord office only.

**Resident Muzzleloader** — Current N.H. hunting license required (no tag issued).

**Pheasant** — Hunters taking pheasants (except persons under 16) must have this license. Current N.H. hunting license required.

**Migratory Waterfowl License** — Hunters taking waterfowl (except persons under 16) must have this license. Current N.H. hunting license, and a Federal Duck Stamp also required. See pg. 22 for HIP requirements.

**Turkey** — Current N.H. hunting license or archery license required at time of purchase unless under the age of 16.

**Bear** — Current N.H. hunting license or archery license required at time of purchase unless under the age of 16. Tag must be validated.

**Trapper** — Available by application issued through Concord Office only.\*\*\*

**Trapper Under Age 16** — Available through Concord office only.\*\*\*

**Fur Buyer** — Available through Concord office only.

**Dog Training** — Current N.H. hunting license required. Concord office only.

**All Duplicate Licenses** — Issued at Concord office or the license agent where original license was purchased.

\*Previous hunting license or Hunter Education required.

\*\*Previous archery license or Bowhunter Education required.

\*\*\* Previous license or Trapper Education required.

2008 Fee	Age	Education course or previous license req.	Proof of N.H. Residency Required	Appropriate tag must be validated	Application issued from Concord office only
46.00	16-68	X	X	X	
22.00	16-68	X	X	X	
0.00	68+	X	X must be resident for 2 years.		
22.00	16-68	X	X	X	
16.00	All ages		X	X	
13.00	All ages				
5.00	16 & over				X
16.00	16-68		X		
16.00	16 & over		X		
5.00	16 & over				
16.00	All ages		X	X	
16.00	All ages		X	X	
28.50	16 & over	X	X		X
6.50		X			X
51.00	All ages		X		X
6.00	All ages				X
6.00					

***An annual habitat fee of \$2.50 is required for all hunting licenses. This fee is charged once per year, per hunter. Proceeds are used to manage and protect habitat for New Hampshire's wildlife populations.***

# Nonresident

## Type of License/Comments

### Nonresident Hunting and Fishing\*

#### Nonresident Hunting\*

**Nonresident Muzzleloader** — Current N.H. hunting license required at time of purchase (no tag issued).

**Nonresident Archery** — Firearm license not required\*\*

**Nonresident Special Archery Deer** — Archery license required. Must be purchased at the same time as Archery License; cannot be sold separately. Antlered only.

**Special Unit M Deer Tag** — See page 26 for details.

**Deer Crossbow** — Valid during firearms deer season using firearms deer tag only.

**Nonresident Hunting 3-Day Small Game** — See definition of small game. Consecutive days only.

**Nonresident Small Game** — Legal small game is ruffed grouse, pheasant, quail, rabbit, snowshoe hare, gray squirrel and migratory birds. Pheasant and migratory birds require proper license and stamp.

**Pheasant** — This license and current N.H. hunting license required to take pheasant.

**Migratory Waterfowl License** — Persons taking waterfowl must have this license and a Federal Duck Stamp. See pg. 22 for HIP requirements.

**Turkey** — Current N.H. hunting license or archery license required at time of purchase unless under the age of 16.

**Bear** — Current N.H. hunting license or archery license required at time of purchase unless under the age of 16. Tag must be validated.

**Trapper** — Only available if state of residence permits nonresident trappers.\*\*\*

#### Fur Buyer

**Dog Training** — Only available to residents of states that reciprocate with N.H.

**All Duplicate Licenses** — Issued at Concord office and the license agent where original license was purchased.

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\*Previous hunting license or Hunter Education required.

\*\*Previous archery license or Bowhunter Education required.

\*\*\* Previous license or Trapper Education required.

2008 Fee	Age	Current N.H. Hunting License required	Education course or previous license req.	Appropriate tag must be validated	Application issued from Concord office only
141.00	16 & over		X	X	
103.00	16 & over		X	X	
41.00	All ages	16 & over	X		
73.00	16 & over		X	X	
16.00	All ages		X	X	
13.00	All ages				
5.00	16 & over	X			X
25.00	16 & over		X		
53.00	16 & over		X		
16.00	16 & over	X			
5.00	16 & over	X			
31.00	All ages	X		X	
48.00	All ages	X		X	
301.00	All ages		X		X
151.00	All ages				X
6.00	All ages	X			X
6.00					

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## SPECIAL YOUTH HUNT WEEKENDS

**Waterfowl:** September 27 - 28, 2008

**Deer\*\* (either sex):** October 25 - 26, 2008

**Turkey\*:** April 25 - 26, 2009

Participants in youth hunt weekends must be under the age of 16 and must be accompanied by a properly licensed adult 18 years of age or older. Adults may not carry a firearm and may not take game. Adults may not accompany more than two youths during the deer and turkey youth hunts. Deer taken by youths during the special weekend shall constitute the one deer allowed by firearm per hunter. Use tag on inside back cover.

**Youth (under age 16) may hunt during the regular hunting season when accompanied by a licensed hunter.**

*\*Turkey permit required.*

*\*\*Starting this year, non-resident youth hunters may participate in the N.H. Youth Hunt Weekend for Deer only if New Hampshire youth may hunt during special youth deer hunts in their state. Currently, Vermont youths may not participate because of residency restrictions on youth hunting in Vermont.*



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# GENERAL HUNTING REGULATIONS

**Hunting Hours:** Wildlife may be taken in the daytime between ½ hour before sunrise and ½ hour after sunset (except migratory birds) with a gun fired at arm's length or bow and arrow, unless otherwise specifically permitted.

**Archery:** Archers must have their name and address on arrows. Fixed blade broadheads cannot be less than 7/8 inches wide and not more than 1-1/2 inches wide. Retractable blade broadheads are permitted (must be not less than 7/8 of an inch wide when open). Minimum poundage for specific game species are as follows; Deer and Bear: 40 lbs.; Moose: 50 lbs.; Turkey: 30 lbs.

**Baiting:** It is unlawful to bait for game or furbearing animals from April 15 to August 31. Baiting for game or furbearing animals, including deer and/or bear, is unlawful without first obtaining a PERMIT TO BAIT WILDLIFE (Form F&G 180). Prior to the placement of any bait, copies must be distributed to the landowner, the Conservation Officer in whose district the baiting is to be done with a topographic map showing the specific location of said bait site, and a copy filed with the NH Fish and Game Wildlife Division. Individuals are restricted to no more than 2 active bait sites; registered guides shall have no more than 6 active bait sites. A list of Fish and Game office addresses can be found on page 2.

**Crossbow:** A crossbow means a device consisting of a bow mounted to a rigid stock for discharging quarrels, bolts, or arrows and having a mechanical means to hold and release the drawn string. A bolt means a short projectile for a crossbow that resembles an arrow.

A crossbow shall have a minimum pull of 125 pounds, a working

**LOSS OF LICENSE:** Anyone found guilty of violating any Fish and Game hunting regulation or trespass will lose his/her hunting privileges for a minimum of one year.

mechanical safety and a stock no less than 25 inches in length.

Crossbows may be used subject to certain restrictions. Please refer to weapon restrictions listed under each species heading, as well as towns with special restrictions listed on pages 28-30.

**Dead Animals:** If you find a dead deer, bear or moose you did not kill, do not tag or move it. Call Dispatch at (603) 271-3361.

**Discharge Restrictions/Compact Areas** (RSA 207: 3-a & 644:13): It is illegal to discharge a firearm or shoot with a bow and arrow within 300 feet of a permanently occupied dwelling without permission of the owner or occupant, or from the owner of the land on which the person discharging the firearm or shooting the bow and arrow is situated. A firearm may not be discharged within 300 feet of any commercial, educational or medical building, or outdoor public gathering place.

Firearms may not be discharged within the compact area of any town or city (any contiguous area containing 6 or more buildings used as part time or permanent dwellings where each is within 300 feet of one of the other buildings, plus a 300 foot wide perimeter around all of the buildings).

Hunters should check with city or town offices regarding local ordinances on the discharge of firearms.

**Lacey Act:** Interstate transportation of wildlife taken, possessed, transported or sold in violation of a state law is a violation of federal law. The penalty can be up to \$250,000 and 5 years in prison.

**Tree Stands/Blinds:** Written landowner permission is required for any tree stand, ladder or observation blind which damages or destroys a tree by inserting into the tree any metallic, ceramic, or other object. Written landowner permission is also required if any tree is cut in conjunction with the use of any stand or blind or to construct a pit blind.

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## TRAPPING RULES

Any person must have a trapping license to trap wildlife. Proof of trapper education or a previously held trapping license is required to obtain a license. Written landowner permission filed with the local Conservation Officer is required to set traps on land of another. All traps must be marked with the trapper's name. Traps must be checked once per day. **It is illegal to disturb the trap of another or remove furbearers from the trap of another.**

For more information on trapping regulations and seasons, contact Fish and Game Headquarters, a regional office or [www.HuntNH.com](http://www.HuntNH.com).

## HUNTER ORANGE RECOMMENDATION

Any person hunting with a firearm or bow and arrow in this state during the hunting season, except for a person legally hunting waterfowl, should wear a hat, vest or other suitable article of clothing of material in the color of hunter orange visible from all sides at a minimum distance of 200 feet.

*Be sure you positively identify your target before you shoot.*

# HUNTING REGULATIONS BY SPECIES

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**BEAR:** A bear license and tag are required for hunters of all ages, in addition to a hunting or archery license for hunters 16 and older. Successful hunters must notify a Conservation Officer within 12 hours of taking a bear by calling (603) 271-3361 between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., and may be required to take a department employee to the kill site. Within 24 hours after time of kill, the hunter must exhibit the bear, with reproductive organs intact, to a conservation officer.

**To Bait Bear:** A Permit to Bait Wildlife and map of the bait site must be filed with the local conservation officer before placing the bait. No person, other than a licensed NH Guide, shall place bait for the purpose of attracting bear at more than 2 bait sites, but no more than 1 bait site in WMUs A, B, D1, H1, H2, I2, K, L & M. Baiting permit applications are available at regional offices. Baiting permit applications for state-managed lands and the WMNF are accepted at regional offices April 1 through August 1.

**To Hunt Bear with Dogs:** A permit is required and is available by mail at Fish and Game's headquarters. Nonresidents must show proof that hunting bear with dogs by N.H. residents is allowed in their state of residency.

It is unlawful to hunt bear with a rimfire rifle, or a shotgun loaded with any ammunition other than a single ball. It is unlawful to take more than one bear in a calendar year.

**COYOTES:** No closed season. Coyotes may be hunted at night from Jan. 1 through March 31. In towns with special rules (see pages 28– 30), hunters are restricted to shotguns, rimfire rifles, muzzleloaders or archery equipment while hunting coyote at night. Lights may be used, **except** from a motor vehicle, snowmobile or OHRV. Electronic calling devices are legal. Baiting is not permitted on ice-covered public waters. Written landowner permission, filed with the local conservation officer, is required to hunt coyote at night or to place bait for coyotes. (See page 2 for office addresses.)

**DEER:** Deer must be registered at the closest open registration station within 24 hours. See pages 32-37 for a listing of stations. A conservation officer may request to see the head and hide of a deer taken under an archery license within 48 hours of killing. It is unlawful to hunt deer with a rimfire firearm. No shotgun ammunition, other than slugs or 00 or larger buckshot, may be used to take deer. **EXCEPTION:** Buckshot is prohibited for taking deer in Auburn, Chester, Greenland, Newington, Portsmouth and Stratham.

To hunt deer during the muzzleloader season, a person needs a hunting license, plus a muzzleloader license. A muzzleloader is defined as a single barrel, single shot firearm (40 caliber or greater) that can only be loaded from the muzzle. Only one deer may be taken with a muzzleloader or firearm with the firearm tag. No person shall have in possession, while taking deer during the muzzleloader season, more than one muzzleloading rifle and one muzzleloading handgun. No separate muzzleloader tag is issued.

It is unlawful to kill any deer with antlers less than 3 inches during the **ANTLERED ONLY** deer season, except in WMU A where additional restrictions apply (see pg. 38). It is unlawful to have more than six persons participating in a drive to take deer.

**Bear Brook Refuge:** Deer may be hunted in the Bear Brook Refuge with bow and arrow only by persons holding a valid archery license. No firearms are allowed in Bear Brook Refuge.

**Chronic Wasting Disease:** To help prevent the introduction of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) into New Hampshire, the importation of hunter-killed white-tailed, black-tailed or mule deer and elk



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**Crossbows:** Persons taking a deer under the \$5.00 crossbow license shall only take deer during the regular firearms deer season. The crossbow permit is available from Fish and Game Concord headquarters (see pg. 15). Deer taken with a crossbow shall be tagged with the regular firearm tag.

No person shall take deer with a bolt tip other than a broadhead. Fixed blade broadheads shall not be less than 7/8 of an inch or more than 1-1/2 inches wide. Retractable blade broadheads are permitted (must not be less than 7/8 of an inch wide when open). The hunter’s name and address shall be plainly printed on each bolt.

**Youth Hunting:** Youth hunters (under the age of 16) may hunt during all seasons when accompanied by a properly licensed hunter age 18 or older. See page 14 for info about the special youth deer hunt weekend, Oct. 25-26, 2008.



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**MIGRATORY BIRDS:** These include woodcock, snipe and waterfowl, and may be hunted from 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset.

**Duck Stamps and HIP:** Hunting waterfowl requires a federal duck stamp and state migratory waterfowl license with hunter's name signed across the face of the federal stamp, in addition to a N.H. hunting license and a Harvest Information Program (HIP) permit. A federal stamp is NOT required to hunt woodcock and snipe, but a HIP permit is. HIP applicants must call **1-800-207-6183** or go to **www.HuntNH.com** to obtain a HIP permit number at no cost. Minors under age 16 may hunt only when they are accompanied by an adult (18 or older) who is properly licensed and possesses a federal duck stamp.

**Restrictions:** Bag limits, restricted areas and season dates for waterfowl will be available at regional offices and Fish and Game Headquarters after August.

It is unlawful to hunt migratory birds with a shotgun larger than 10 gauge or use a shotgun capable of holding more than 3 rounds of ammunition: one in the chamber, and the magazine must be plugged to hold no more than 2 rounds. It is illegal to possess any shotgun shells containing lead shot while hunting migratory waterfowl.

Placing bait or hunting over baited areas is prohibited. It is also unlawful to have a loaded firearm in a motorboat under power or hunt from a motorboat or sailboat until all forward motion has ceased.

**Areas closed to waterfowl hunting:** Certain areas in Portsmouth and Rye and Back Channel in New Castle are closed to waterfowl hunting. For a list and description of these and other closed areas throughout the state, contact the Fish and Game office nearest you (see page 2) or write to N.H. Fish and Game, 11 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH 03301.

**Youth Waterfowl Hunt:** Sept. 27–28, 2008 (see pg. 14).

**MOOSE:** Only persons possessing a valid hunting license and a valid moose permit or subpermittee's permit may participate in the annual moose hunt. Limit one moose. It is unlawful to hunt or take moose without a special moose permit.

**TURKEY:** All turkey hunters, regardless of age, must obtain a wild turkey permit. All hunters age 16 and older must have a big game hunting or archery license. Permits are available from Fish and Game's Concord office and license agents or online at [www.HuntNH.com](http://www.HuntNH.com).

It is unlawful to take a turkey with a rifle, dogs (during spring season), bait, electronic calling devices, live decoys, by cooperative drives or while the turkey is in a tree. If using a bow, it must have at least a 30-pound draw weight at 28" or less draw length. Fixed-blade broadheads used for turkey hunting must be a minimum of 7/8" wide; there is no upper size limit. Expanding broadheads must be at least 7/8" wide when open, with no upper size limit. Shotguns must be 10, 12, 16 or 20 gauge using shot sizes 2, 4, 5, or 6.

***Each hunter is limited to 1 turkey in the fall:***

**Fall Archery Season:** one turkey either sex per hunter. Fall turkey may be taken by bow and arrow in all WMU's except A.

**Fall Shotgun Season:** one turkey either sex. WMU's D1, D2, G, H1, H2, I1, I2 and K only. Oct. 13-17, 2008 (see map on pg. 39).

**Spring Season:** one bearded turkey per hunter. In the spring, a turkey may be taken by archery or with a shotgun. NOTE: Spring hunt ends at noon each day. See pg. 56 for details.

Turkey must be tagged immediately upon killing. Registration of a fully feathered intact carcass is required within 24 hours of taking. The turkey may be gutted.

A person who has taken a turkey may assist another properly licensed turkey hunter by calling only. The person assisting by calling shall not possess a firearm or bow and arrow.

**Youth Turkey Hunt:** April 25-26, 2009 (see pg. 14).

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- negligently shoot, wound or kill a human being while hunting, or abandon a wounded or killed human being;
- negligently discharge a firearm or cause death, injury or damage to domestic animals or property while hunting;
- shoot a domestic dog in pursuit of wildlife;
- possess a firearm with ammunition, bow and arrow, or crossbow and bolt while attempting to locate or illuminate wild animals at night at any time of the year;
- illuminate wild animals from Sept. 1 through Dec. 31. Moose, however, may be illuminated between 9 a.m. and 11 p.m. from Sept. 1 through the second Monday of October in Coos County on Class I, II and III state highways, and, with city or town permission, on Class IV, V and VI town roads.
- hunt from 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour before sunrise, unless as specifically permitted in this book;
- discharge a firearm, bow and arrow, or crossbow and bolt within 15' of the traveled portion of, or across any class I through V highway, **or** from or across the following public highways (including the rights of way): I-93, I-89, I-95, 293, 393, Rte. 202/9 (from Rte. 114 in Heniker to Rte. 31 in Hillsboro), Rte. 16 (from I-95 to Milton/Middleton town line), Rte. 3/F.E. Everett Turnpike (from Mass. line to Rte. 101 Bedford), Rte. 101 (from Bedford town line to Rte. 1 Hampton);
- hunt from inside of, or upon, any type of motorized vehicle, including aircraft, motor vehicle, snowmobile or OHRV;
- hunt from a boat or canoe before all movement from mechanical power has stopped;
- carry a loaded firearm with ammunition in the chamber, clip or magazine, or cocked crossbow, while the firearm or crossbow is in or on (includes leaning on or contact with) any type of motorized vehicle, moving or stationary; a muzzleloader is considered unloaded if the ignition source (i.e.: primer cap or flint or primer powder) is removed from the firearm;
- hunt deer with a rimfire firearm, or with shot loads smaller than 00 buckshot;
- use salt products as bait for deer hunting;

- have more than 6 people participate in a joint drive for deer;
- bait for furbearing animals, or game animals, including deer, bear and coyote without written landowner permission filed with a conservation officer; (Law Enforcement district office addresses and phone numbers can be found on page 2.)
- enter posted land without permission of the owner or fail to leave when requested;
- willfully tear down, obstruct or leave open any fence, gate or bar belonging to, or enclosing land of, another person, or remove or deface any posted sign or property;
- hunt with a fully automatic firearm. It is also illegal to hunt with a semi-automatic rifle with a clip or magazine holding more than five cartridges (except rimfire rifles and pistols), or use full-jacketed metal case bullets.
- use telemetry equipment from 1/2 hour before sunrise through 1/2 hour after sunset to locate trail or tree hounds while in a motorized vehicle or within 300 feet (as measured from the center of the traveled portion) of any public highway or any private road open to public use.
- buy, sell or offer for sale a deer, bear, moose or any part thereof, other than the head, hide or feet;
- possess a deer, bear, moose or turkey that hasn't been properly tagged;
- possess a detached deer, bear, moose or turkey tag. Upon killing a deer, bear, moose or turkey the tag shall be filled out and immediately attached to the deer, bear, moose or turkey.
- assist another in taking a deer or bear after you have taken one, unless you possess a valid unused tag.
- tag, steal, take or carry away a deer or bear belonging to another person;
- hunt deer or bear on islands, or in the water of any lake or pond in the state;
- leave a deer in the woods for more than 12 hours without notifying a Conservation Officer as to the location and reason for not removing the deer.

# SPECIAL DEER PERMITS – 2008

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## SPECIAL ANTLERLESS DEER PERMIT FOR WMU M:

This permit is available for taking one antlerless deer in WMU M, in addition to deer taken using your regular hunting or archery license. **It may be used during any deer season the hunter holds a license for (archery, muzzleloader or firearm).** Six thousand (6,000) of these permits will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis at **www.HuntNH.com**, by mail or at Concord headquarters starting in early July. All ages.

## SPECIAL ANTLERED DEER PERMIT FOR ARCHERY:

This permit is valid for taking one additional antlered deer using bow and arrow during the archery deer season. Each hunter is limited to one of these permits. Archery hunters may **only** buy this permit when purchasing their regular archery license. This permit may be used to tag the first deer taken by archery if it is legally antlered. All ages.

## LONG ISLAND DEER PERMITS:

Hunters interested in participating must first acquire written landowner permission on forms that are available at Fish and Game's Region 2 office in New Hampton, or at its headquarters in Concord. Hunt limited to bow and arrow and crossbow. Many special regulations apply. Copies of all the specific regulations are available with the landowner permission forms. Apply in person at Fish and Game in Concord.

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**BELKNAP:** Laconia; **Meredith Neck:** the part from the Meredith-Center Harbor line to Pleasant Street south and east of Route 25.

**HILLSBOROUGH:** Amherst; Bedford; Brookline; Goffstown; Hollis; Hudson; Litchfield; Manchester; Merrimack; Milford; Nashua; Pelham.

**MERRIMACK:** Concord; **Hooksett:** that part lying from the town line of Allenstown, on the westerly side of Route 3, to a point where the old Portsmouth Railroad crosses the highway, then south of the railroad to the town line of Candia; **Pembroke:** that part lying south westerly of the following line: starting at the Concord town line at Red Bridge on Rte. 106, south to Burrough (Borough) Road, then easterly on Burrough (Borough) Road to Fourth Range Road, then southerly on Fourth Range Road to Dudley Hill Road, south on Dudley Hill Road to Buck Street, northest on Buck Street to Route 28, south on Route 28 to the Allenstown town line. (See Bow page 28).

**ROCKINGHAM:** Atkinson; Auburn\*; Brentwood; Chester\*; Danville; Derry; East Kingston; Exeter; Fremont; Greenland\*; Hampstead; Hampton; Hampton Falls; Kensington; Kingston; Londonderry; New Castle\*\*; Newfields; Newington\*; Newmarket; Newton; North Hampton; Plaistow; Portsmouth\*; Rye; Salem; Sandown; Seabrook; South Hampton; Stratham\*; Windham.

**STRAFFORD:** Durham; Madbury; Lee; Dover; Rollinsford; Somersworth.

\* Buckshot prohibited for taking deer in these towns (RSA 208:3-a).

\*\* **NEW CASTLE:** Hunting prohibited except: shotgun fired over water,



or landowner or a person with landowner permission using a shotgun where shot lands on their property or the water.

**EXCEPTION – TOWN OF BOW:** All hunting is forbidden in the following area with any firearm other than a shotgun, muzzleloading rifle or bow and arrow or crossbow: southeast from the Concord-Bow boundary line along the west bank of the Merrimack River, then westerly along the Bow-Hooksett boundary line, then northerly along I-93, then westerly along Robinson Road, then northwest along Branch Londonderry Turnpike East, then southerly along Woodhill Road, then southwesterly along Dunbarton Center Road to the Bow-Dunbarton boundary line, then northwesterly along the Bow-Dunbarton boundary line to the Bow-Hopkinton boundary line, then easterly along the Bow-Hopkinton boundary line to the Bow-Concord boundary line, then southeasterly and easterly along the Bow-Concord boundary line to the west bank of the Merrimack River.



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**Ask permission to enter private land.** Farmers and landowners may have concerns or special requests which you should know before hunting.

***Remember, your actions reflect on all bowhunters!***

# Deer/Turkey Registration Stations

TOWN / CITY	LOCATION / PHONE (603)	DEER/ TURKEY	DEER SCALES?
<b>BELKNAP</b>			
ALTON	EAST ALTON GENERAL STORE / 875-3113	D	N
BARNSTEAD	BARNSTEAD COUNTRY STORE / 269-8144	D / T	Y
CTR. BARNSTEAD	WHITE BUFFALO TRADING POST / 269-3378	D	Y
BELMONT	BELMONT HARDWARE / 267-8510	D	Y
LACONIA	STORY'S / 524-2431	T	
LACONIA	PAUGUS BAY SPORTING GOODS / 524-4319	D / T	Y
MEREDITH	AJ'S BAIT & TACKLE / 279-3152	D / T	Y
MEREDITH	MEREDITH CENTER STORE / 279-4315	D / T	Y
<b>CARROLL</b>			
CONWAY	USFS SACO RANGER DISTRICT / 447-5448	D / T	N
CTR OSSIPEE	DOUBLE H FARM / 539-5547	D / T	Y
FREEDOM	FREEDOM MARKET / 539-7774	D / T	Y
JACKSON	WILDCAT SERVICE STATION / 383-6691	D / T	Y
SANBORNVILLE	LONGMEADOWS HARDWARE / 522-3604	D / T	Y
TAMWORTH	SOUTH TAMWORTH COUNTRY STORE / 323-7253	D / T	Y
TUFTONBORO	TUFTONBORO GENERAL STORE / 569-9859	D / T	Y
WOLFEBORO	WOLFEBORO BAY OUTFITTERS / 569-1114	D / T	N
<b>CHESHIRE</b>			
ALSTEAD	ALSTEAD VILLAGE STORE / 835-6758	D	Y
DUBLIN	DUBLIN GENERAL STORE / 563-8401	D / T	Y
KEENE	FRENCHY'S BAIT & TACKLE / 352-1837	D / T	Y
MARLOW	MARLOW GROCERY / 446-3301	D / T	Y
RICHMOND	RICHMOND 4 CORNERS STORE / 239-6145	D / T	N
WALPOLE	DREWSVILLE GENERAL STORE / 445-5120	D / T	Y
WINCHESTER	TRADER JOHN'S GUN SHOP / 239-4032	D / T	Y
<b>COOS</b>			
COLEBROOK	DUCRETS SPORTING GOODS / 237-4900	D	N
ERROL	GREAT NORTH WOODS ONE STOP / 482-3100	D	Y
ERROL	LL COTE / 482-7777	D / T	Y

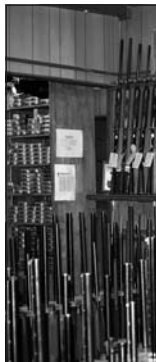
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TOWN / CITY	LOCATION / PHONE (603)	DEER/ TURKEY	DEER SCALES?
GORHAM	GORHAM HARDWARE & SPORT CTR / 466-2312	D / T	Y
GROVETON	EMERSON OUTDOOR OUTFITTERS / 636-2211	D / T	Y
JEFFERSON	HOME TOWN MARKET/586-7173	T	
JEFFERSON	JEFFERSON OLD CORNER STORE / 586-7722	D	Y
MILAN	YESTERDAYS COUNTRY STORE / 449-2236	D / T	Y
PITTSBURG	DUBE'S PITTSTOP / 538-9944	D / T	Y
PITTSBURG	TREATS & TREASURES GIFT SHOP / 538-7472	D	Y
RANDOLPH	LOWE'S SERVICE STATION / 466-3950	D	Y
TWIN MTN	FOSTER'S CROSSROADS / 846-2283	D	N
WHITEFIELD	LUFKIN'S SERVICE CENTER / 837-2088	D / T	Y
<b>GRAFTON</b>			
BATH	SWIFTWATER WAY STATION / 747-2929	D / T	Y
BATH	THE BRICK STORE / 747-2074	D	Y
BRISTOL	NEWFOUND SALES / 744-8658	D / T	Y
CANAAN	PLEASANT VALLEY STORE / 632-7507	D	N
ENFIELD	PROCTOR'S GENERAL STORE / 632-4638	D	Y
HEBRON	HEBRON VILLAGE STORE / 744-8765	D	Y
LEBANON	WELCH'S GUN SHOP / 448-3644	D / T	Y
LITTLETON	COREY'S SPORT SHOP / 444-6261	D / T	Y
LITTLETON	POULSENS GENERAL STORE / 444-7718	D / T	Y
LYME	LYME COUNTRY STORE / 795-2213	D	Y
N. HAVERHILL	PATTEN'S SPORTING GOODS / 787-6964	D / T	N
ORFORD	PATTERSON GROCERY & DELI / 353-4703	D / T	Y
PIERMONT	4 CORNERS STORE / 272-9016	D	Y
PLYMOUTH	PLYMOUTH FIRE STATION / 536-1253	D / T	Y
RUMNEY	D & R CONVENIENCE / 786-9419	D / T	Y
<b>HILLSBORO</b>			
ANTRIM	PLACE IN THE WOODS / 588-2446	D / T	Y
HILLSBORO	HILLSBORO CORNER STORE / 478-3335	D	Y
HILLSBORO	MORSE SPORTING GOODS / 464-3444	T	
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MILFORD	MILFORD FISH HATCHERY / 673-1416	D / T	Y
NASHUA	J-DON'S VARIETY / 889-5742	D / T	Y
NEW IPSWICH	HOPPY'S COUNTRY STORE / 878-1700	D / T	N
WEARE	DAVE'S TAXIDERMY / 529-7318	D / T	Y
<b>MERRIMACK</b>			
BOSCAWEN	MARSHALL FIREARMS / 753-4313	D	Y
DANBURY	SMITH RIVER TRADING POST / 768-3413	D / T	Y
FRANKLIN	FRANKLIN FIRE STATION / 934-2205	D / T	N
HENNIKER	HENNIKER FARM & COUNTRY STORE / 428-3255	D / T	Y
LOUDON	SPEEDWAY CONVENIENCE / 783-0312	D	Y
PEMBROKE	MONTMINY'S COUNTRY STORE / 485-5122	D	Y
SALISBURY	BARN STORE OF NEW ENGLAND / 648-2888	T	
SALISBURY	CROSSROADS COUNTRY STORE / 648-2221	D	N
WARNER	WARNER COUNTRY CORNER STORE / 746-3596	D / T	Y
<b>ROCKINGHAM</b>			
CHESTER	CHESTER HARDWARE / 887-4544	D / T	Y
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EAST KINGSTON	JEWETT'S GENERAL STORE / 642-3311	D / T	Y
GREENLAND	SUDS N SODA SPORTS OUTLET / 431-6320	D / T	Y
HAMPTON	DEFIANT LOBSTER CO / 926-3910	D	Y
NEWMARKET	L & M VARIETY STORE / 659-3311	D	Y
RAYMOND	RADIO GROVE HARDWARE / 895-2233	D	Y
W. NOTTINGHAM	DEMMONS STORE / 942-8840	D / T	Y
WINDHAM	D J ROGERS COLLISION / 898-9750	D	N
<b>STRAFFORD</b>			
BARRINGTON	BRIAN'S ARCHERY SHOP / 332-1041	D / T	Y
MADBURY	TAYLOR'S TRADING POST / 742-5931	D / T	Y
NEW DURHAM	HOTSPOTS OUTFITTERS / 859-3300	D / T	Y
STRAFFORD	ISINGLASS COUNTRY STORE / 664-5622	D	Y

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TOWN / CITY	LOCATION / PHONE (603)	DEER/ TURKEY	DEER SCALES?
<b>SULLIVAN</b>			
CHARLESTOWN	RICK'S ELECTRIC INC / 826-3221	D	Y
CLAREMONT	CLAREMONT FIRE DEPT / 542-5156	D	Y
CLAREMONT	STEARN'S ARCHERY & TAXIDERMY / 542-4973	T	
MERIDEN	MERIDEN DELI MART / 469-3253	D / T	Y
NEWPORT	NEWPORT FIRE-EMS / 863-1416	D	Y

## Great Bay National Wildlife Refuge DEER HUNT

A 2-day deer hunt will be held **Nov. 15 and 16, 2008** on the Great Bay National Wildlife Refuge. Applications and information on procedures and fees will be available after Sept. 1, from: Parker River National Wildlife Refuge, 6 Plum Island Turnpike, Newburyport, MA 01950, (978) 465-5753. Hunters must have a valid firearms deer tag or Special Unit M tag to participate. Send completed application to: NH Fish and Game Dept., 11 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH 03301, Attn: Wildlife Div. Application must be received by 4 pm, October 10, 2008, or be postmarked by September 26, 2008.

## WAPACK NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE –

This National Wildlife Refuge, located in Greenfield and Temple, NH, is **CLOSED TO ALL HUNTING**. Information about Wapack NWR can be obtained from: Parker River NWR, 6 Plum Island Turnpike, Newburyport, MA 01950, (978) 465-5753.

# 2008 DEER SEASONS

Season	Inclusive Dates	Wildlife Management Units
<b>Archery</b>		
Antlerless and Antlered Any deer	<b>Sept. 15 – Dec. 8</b> Sept. 15 – Dec. 15	<b>A*</b> B – M
<b>Muzzleloader</b>		
Antlered only	Nov. 1 – Nov. 11	C <sup>1</sup> , C <sup>2</sup> , E, F, J <sup>1</sup>
Any deer Antlered only	Nov. 1 ONLY Nov. 2 – Nov. 11	D <sup>1</sup> , G, I <sup>1</sup> , I <sup>2</sup>
Any deer Antlered only	Nov. 1 – Nov. 2 Nov. 3 – Nov. 11	B, D <sup>2</sup> , J <sup>2</sup>
Any deer Antlered only	Nov. 1 – Nov. 3 Nov. 4 – Nov. 11	H <sup>1</sup> , H <sup>2</sup> , K
Any deer	Nov. 1 – Nov. 11	L, M
Antlerless and Antlered Antlered only	<b>Nov. 3 – Nov. 4</b> Nov. 5 – Nov. 11	<b>A*</b>
<b>Firearm</b>		
Antlered only	Nov. 12 – Dec. 7	C <sup>1</sup> , C <sup>2</sup> , D <sup>1</sup> , E, F, I <sup>1</sup> , I <sup>2</sup> , J <sup>1</sup>
Any deer Antlered only	Nov. 12 ONLY Nov. 13 – Dec. 7	G
Antlerless and Antlered Antlered only	<b>Nov. 12 – Nov. 13</b> <b>Nov. 14 – Nov. 30</b>	<b>A*</b>
Any deer Antlered only	Nov. 12 – Nov. 13 Nov. 14 – Dec. 7	B, D <sup>2</sup> , J <sup>2</sup>
Any deer Antlered only	Nov. 12 – Nov. 14 Nov. 15 – Dec. 7	H <sup>1</sup> , H <sup>2</sup> , K
Any deer Antlered only	Nov. 12 – Nov. 21 Nov. 22 – Dec. 7	L, M
<b>Youth Hunt</b>	Oct. 25 & 26; statewide; see pg. 14 for details	

## DEFINITIONS –

**Antlered Deer:** Deer with at least one antler three (3) inches long, except in WMU A only: Antlered deer must have a minimum of 2 points on one side (at least one antler 3 inches long, plus at least one point that branches off the main beam and is at least 1 inch long).

**Antlerless Deer:** A deer without antlers or with antlers less than 3 inches long.

**Any Deer:** All deer regardless of sex or age.

**HUNTING HOURS:** 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.



# 2008 BEAR SEASONS

Season	Inclusive Dates	Wildlife Management Units
<b>General Season</b>	Sept. 1 - Sept. 21	H <sup>2</sup> , K, L, M
	Sept. 1 - Nov. 11	A, B, C <sup>2</sup> , D <sup>1</sup> , G, H <sup>1</sup> , I <sup>1</sup> , I <sup>2</sup> , J <sup>1</sup> , J <sup>2</sup>
	Sept. 1 - Nov. 25	C <sup>1</sup> , D <sup>2</sup> , E, F
<b>Baiting Season</b>	Sept. 1 - Sept. 21	G, H <sup>1</sup> , H <sup>2</sup> , I <sup>1</sup> , I <sup>2</sup> , J <sup>1</sup> , J <sup>2</sup> , K, L, M
	Sept. 1 - Sept. 28	A, B, C <sup>1</sup> , C <sup>2</sup> , D <sup>1</sup> , D <sup>2</sup> , E, F
<b>Dog Season</b>	Sept. 22 – Nov. 11	A, B, C <sup>1</sup> , C <sup>2</sup> , D <sup>1</sup> , D <sup>2</sup> , E, F, G, H <sup>1</sup> , I <sup>1</sup> , I <sup>2</sup> , J <sup>1</sup> , J <sup>2</sup>
	CLOSED	H <sup>2</sup> , K, L, M

## HUNTING HOURS: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.

Black bear may only be taken by firearms larger than .22 rimfire, shotgun loaded with a single ball, muzzleloader not less than .40 cal., or bow and arrow of at least 40 lbs.

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# WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT UNIT BOUNDARIES\*

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**Unit A:** From the Colebrook/Lemington bridge in Colebrook, north along the NH/VT state line to the NH/Quebec border, north along the U.S. border to NH/ME state line, south along the ME/NH state line to Rte. 16 in Wentworth's Location, south on Rte. 16 to Rte. 26 in Errol, west on Rte. 26 to Rte. 3 in Colebrook, north on Rte. 3 to Lemington Rd. in Colebrook, west on Lemington Rd. to Colebrook/Lemington bridge & the NH/VT state line.

**Unit B:** From the junction of the Connecticut River & the Upper Ammonoosuc River in Northumberland, north along the NH/VT state line to the Colebrook/Lemington bridge in Colebrook, east on Lemington Rd. to Rte. 3 in Colebrook, south on Rte. 3 to Rte. 26 in Colebrook, east on Rte. 26 to Rte. 16 in Errol, south on Rte. 16 to Rte. 110-A in Dummer, west on Rte. 110-A to Rte. 110 in West Milan, west on Rte. 110 to Rte. 3 in Groveton, north on Rte. 3 in Groveton to the Upper Ammonoosuc Bridge, west along the Upper Ammonoosuc River to its junction with the Connecticut River.

**Unit C<sup>1</sup>:** From the junction of the Lost Nation Rd. in Northumberland and Rte. 110, east along Rte 110 to Rte. 16 in Berlin, south on Rte. 16 to Rte. 2 in Gorham, west on Rte. 2 to North Rd. in Jefferson, north along North Rd. to Grange Rd., north on Grange Rd. to Lost Nation Rd., north on Lost Nation Rd. to the junction of Lost Nation Rd. and Rte. 110 in Northumberland.

**Unit C<sup>2</sup>:** From the junction of Rte. 16 in Wentworth's Location and the ME/NH line, south on Rte. 16 to Rte. 110-A in Dummer, west on

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**\*NOTE:** Whenever a wildlife management unit (WMU) is referenced with only a letter, and that WMU has been divided into sub-wildlife management units with a number, or further divided into smaller units, the single letter reference includes all of the area enclosed by those sub-units. For example, WMU D would mean WMU's D<sup>1</sup> and D<sup>2</sup> or WMU H<sup>2</sup> would mean H<sup>2</sup>-north and H<sup>2</sup>-south.

Rte. 110-A to Rte. 110 in Milan, south on Rte. 110 to Rte.16 in Berlin, south on Rte. 16 to Rte. 2 in Gorham, east on Rte. 2 to the NH/ME state line, north on the NH/ME state line to its junction with Rte. 16 in Wentworth's Location.

**Unit D<sup>1</sup>:** From the junction of the Lost Nation Rd. in Northumberland & Rte. 110, south along Lost Nation Rd. to Grange Rd., south on Grange Rd. to North Rd., south on North Rd. to Rte. 2 in Jefferson, east on Rte. 2 to Rte. 115 in Jefferson, south on Rte. 115 to Rte. 3 in Carroll, south on Rte. 3 to I-93 in Franconia, north on I-93 to the NH/VT state line, north on the NH/VT state line, to the junction of the Connecticut and Upper Ammonoosuc River in Northumberland, east along the Upper Ammonoosuc River to the Groveton/Rte. 3 bridge, south along Rte. 3 in Groveton, east on Rte. 110 to the junction of Rte. 110 and the Lost Nation Rd.

**Unit D<sup>2</sup>:** From the junction of Rte. I-93 and the Vermont border in Littleton, south on I-93 to Rte. 118 in Woodstock, southwest on Rte. 118 to Rte. 25 in Warren, south on Rte. 25 to Rte. 25-A in Wentworth, west on Rte. 25-A to Rte. 10 in Orford, north on Rte. 10 to Rte. 25-A, west on Rte. 25-A to the NH/VT border, north on the NH/VT border to it's intersection with Rte. I-93 in Littleton.

**Unit E:** From the junction of Rte. 115 & Rte. 2 in Jefferson, east on Rte. 2 to NH/ME state line in Shelburne, south along the NH/ME state line to Rte. 302 in Conway, west on Rte. 302 to Rte. 16 in Conway, south on Rte. 16 to Rte. 112 in Conway, west on Rte. 112 to I-93 (exit 32) in Woodstock, north on I-93 to Rte. 3 (Franconia Notch) in Lincoln, north on Rte. 3 to Rte. 115 in Carroll, north on Rte. 115 to Rte. 2 in Jefferson.

**Unit F:** From the junction of Rte. 25-A & Rte. 25 in Wentworth, north on Rte. 25 to Rte. 118 in Warren, north on Rte. 118 to Rte. 112 in North Woodstock, east on Rte. 112 to Rte. 16 in Conway, south on Rte. 16 to Rte. 113 in Chocorua, west on Rte. 113 to Rte. 113-A in Tamworth, west on Rte. 113-A to Rte. 113 in North Sandwich, west on Rte. 113 to Rte. 3 in Holderness, south on Rte. 3 to Exit 24 of I-93, north on

I-93 to Rte. 25 (exit 26) in Plymouth, west on Rte. 25 to the junction with Rte. 25-A in Wentworth.

**Unit G:** From the NH/VT state line at the Fairlee/Orford bridge in Orford, east on Rte. 25-A to Rte. 25-A/Rte. 10 in Orford, south on Rte. 25-A/Rte. 10 to Rte. 25-A, east on Rte. 25-A to Rte. 25 in Wentworth, south on Rte. 25 to I-93 in Plymouth (exit 26), south on I-93 to Rte. 104 (exit 23) in New Hampton, south on Rte. 104 to Rte. 4 in Danbury, south on Rte. 4 to Rte. 11 in Andover, west on Rte. 11 to I-89 in New London, north on I-89 to NH/VT state line in Lebanon, north along NH/VT state line to the Fairlee/Orford bridge in Orford.

**Unit H<sup>1</sup>:** From the junction of I-89 and the NH/VT state line in Lebanon, south on I-89 to Rte 10 in Grantham, south on Rte 10 to Rte 123 in Marlow, west on Rte 123 to its junction with the Cold River in Walpole, west on Cold River to the NH/VT border (Connecticut River), north on the NH/VT border to I-89 in Lebanon.

**Unit H<sup>2</sup>:** From the junction of Cold River and NH/VT border (Connecticut River) in Walpole, east on Cold River to Rte 123, east on Rte 123 to Rte 9 in Stoddard, east on Rte 9 to Rte 202 in Hillsborough, south on Rte 202 to the NH/MA border, west on the NH/MA border to the NH/VT border (Connecticut River), north on the NH/VT border (Connecticut River) to its intersection with the Cold River in Walpole. *For moose hunting only:* Unit H<sup>2</sup> is sub-divided into H<sup>2</sup> north and H<sup>2</sup> south. See the moose season rules for details.

**Unit I<sup>1</sup>:** From the junction of I-89 and Rte 11 in New London, north on Rte 11 to Rte 4 in Andover, north on Rte 4 to Rte 104 in Danbury, north on Rte 104 to I-93 in New Hampton, south on I-93 to I-89 in Concord, north on I-89 to Rte 11 in New London.

**Unit I<sup>2</sup>:** From the junction of I-89 and Rte 10 in Grantham, south on I-89 to Rte 9 in Hopkinton, south on Rte 9 to Rte 123 in Stoddard, west on Rte 123 to Rte 10 in Marlow, north on Rte 10 to I-89 in Grantham.

**Unit J<sup>1</sup>:** From the junction of Rte. 113 and Rte. 3 in Holderness, north on Rte. 113 to Rte. 113-A in Sandwich, north on Rte. 113-A to Rte. 113

in Tamworth, east on Rte. 113 to Rte. 16 in Chocorua, north on Rte. 16 to Rte. 302 in Conway, east on Rte. 302 to the ME/NH line, south on ME/NH line to Rte. 109 west on Rte. 109 to Rte. 28 in Wolfeboro Center, south on Rte. 28/109 to Rte. 109 in Wolfeboro, north on Rte. 109 to Rte. 25 in Moultonboro, west on Rte. 25 to Rte. 25B in Center Harbor, along Rte. 25B to Rte. 3, north on Rte. 3 to its junction with Rte. 113 in Holderness.

**Unit J<sup>2</sup>:** From the junction of Rte. I-93 and Rte. 3 in Ashland, south on Rte. 3 to Rte. 25B in Center Harbor, east on Rte 25B to Rte. 25 in Center Harbor, east on Rte. 25 to Rte. 109 in Moultonboro, southeast on Rte. 109 to Rte. 28/109 in Wolfeboro, north on Rte. 28/109 to Rte. 109 in Wolfeboro Center, east on Rte. 109 to its intersection with the ME/NH border, south along the ME/NH border to Rte. 202 in Rochester, south on Rte. 202 to Rte. 4 in Northwood, west on Rte. 4 to I-393 in Concord, west on I-393 to I-93 in Concord, north on I-93 to the junction of Rte. 3 in Ashland.

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**Unit K:** From the junction of Rte. 9 and Rte. 202 in Hillsborough, south on Rte. 202 to the NH/MA state line, east on the NH/MA state line to Rte. 13 in Brookline, north on Rte. 13 to Rte. 101 in Milford, north on Rte. 101 to I-293 in Manchester, north on I-293 to I-93, north on I-93 to I-89 in Concord, west on I-89 to Rte. 9 in Hopkinton, south on Rte. 9 to its junction with Rte. 202 in Hillsborough.

**Unit L:** From the junction of I-93 & I-393 in Concord, east on I-393 to Rte. 4, east on Rte. 4 to Rte. 202 in Northwood, north on Rte. 202 to NH/ME state line, south along the NH/ME state line to Little Bay, south along the Rockingham/Strafford County line in Little & Great Bay to the Squamscott River, south along the Squamscott River to Rte. 101, west along Rte. 101 to I-93 in Manchester, south on I-93 to I-293, north on I-293 to I-93 to I-393 in Concord.

**Unit M:** From the junction of Rte. 13 in Brookline and the NH/MA border, north on Rte. 13 to Rte. 101 in Milford, north on Rte. 101 to I-293 in Manchester, east on I-293 to I-93, north on Rte. I-93 to Rte. 101 in Manchester, east on Rte. 101 to its junction with the Squamscott River in Exeter, north along the Squamscott River to Great Bay, north along the Strafford/Rockingham County line in Great and Little Bay to the NH/ME state line, east along the NH/ME state line to the Atlantic Ocean, south along the NH coast line to the NH/MA line, west along the NH/MA state line to its junction with Rte. 13 in Brookline.

### ***Get WMU Maps at Fish and Game Website***

Detailed maps of the Wildlife Management Units described on these pages are available to download and print at the N.H. Fish and Game website, **[www.HuntNH.com](http://www.HuntNH.com)**. Go to the site, click on HUNTING, then look for the “Where to Hunt” links. If you do not have access to a computer, you may request single copies of WMU maps at Fish and Game's Concord office.

# Landowner Relations Program

## Did you know?

- Seventy-six percent of total hunting activity in New Hampshire occurs on private land.
- Hunting in New Hampshire is based on the age-old tradition of access to private land, provided through the generosity of landowners.

***Want to make sure you and future generations can maintain that access?***

**Treat the landowner as you would like to be treated, and treat their property as you would like yours to be treated.**

For more information, contact the **Landowner Relations Program** at (603) 271-3511 or [access@wildlife.nh.gov](mailto:access@wildlife.nh.gov).

## 2008 Wildlife Legacy Initiative

Do you love New Hampshire's wildlife and wild places? Give a little extra this year to help support Fish and Game's conservation programs through the **Wildlife Legacy Initiative**. There are two ways to give:

- Check off the \$10 **Wildlife Legacy Donation** box when you buy your license in person or online, or
- Send a check to: N.H. Fish and Game Dept., Wildlife Legacy, 11 Hazen Drive, Concord, N.H. 03301. Please note "Wildlife Legacy Initiative" on your check.

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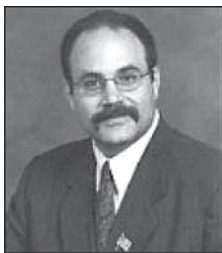
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# TROPHY DEER PROGRAM

This program recognizes hunters in three categories – archery, firearm and muzzleloader – who take whitetails weighing 200 lbs. or more.

## **RULES:**

1. All hunters are eligible.
2. Only deer weighing 200 lbs. or more, and taken in New Hampshire by legal means during the open season, are eligible.
3. All entries will be on official entry blanks provided in this book, or by the N.H. Antler and Skull Trophy Club.
4. Weights must be witnessed by the station operator or a Fish and Game employee.
5. All weights will be for field-dressed deer. A field-dressed animal is one which has all organs of the chest and abdominal cavities removed (including heart, lungs, intestines, etc.). The animal must be weighed intact. A deer must weigh at least 200 lbs. to qualify.
6. The N.H. Antler and Skull Trophy Club coordinates this program. They reserve the right to question any witnesses, to examine the scales used for weighing any entry and to refuse any questionable application.
7. Winners will be notified by mail following the deer season.
8. A photo of the deer would be appreciated.



### ***Current N.H. Records are:***

<b>Archery:</b>	<b>252 lbs.</b> Carroll County – 2002
<b>Muzzleloader:</b>	<b>277 lbs.</b> Coos County – 1998
<b>Firearm:</b>	<b>289.25 lbs.</b> Coos County – 1985

***See other side of this page for a Trophy Deer Entry Form.***

# TROPHY DEER ENTRY FORM

*I hereby swear that the following statements are true, that in taking this deer I complied with all legal requirements, and that the witness hereto actually observed the weighing of this deer.*

Hunter's Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Tel. \_\_\_\_\_

Scale Location \_\_\_\_\_

Weight \_\_\_\_\_ lbs.      Antler points \_\_\_\_\_

Method:    bow & arrow       muzzleloader       firearm

Registration Station \_\_\_\_\_

Date taken \_\_\_\_\_

Town of kill \_\_\_\_\_

Hunter's signature \_\_\_\_\_

*I hereby swear that I witnessed the weighing of the deer described above, and verify the weight and other information given.*

Witness signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Submit this application no later than December 31, 2008 to:**

Trophy Deer Program, N.H. Antler and Skull Trophy Club,  
22 Scribner Rd., Raymond, NH 03077. Tel. (603) 895-9947.

All entries will be published in the club's bi-annual trophy book. If you desire a patch, please include \$5.00 with your application. Make checks payable to: NHASTC.

# Hunting in the White Mountain National Forest



## Hunting Permitted

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department and the U.S. Forest Service have a long history of cooperative management on the White Mountain National Forest (WMNF).

**Hunting is permitted throughout the Forest, although some safety zones exist to minimize potential conflicts.** In general, discharging a firearm is prohibited within 150 yards of a campsite, developed recreation site, occupied area, on or across a Forest Service road or trail. Hunters need to be aware of their surroundings at all times to avoid shooting into or across these areas.

## Access Roads

Fish and Game actively works with the WMNF to provide vehicular access during the fall hunting seasons. The decision to leave a road open or closed is based on many factors. Some roads cannot be traveled because wet weather softens the roadbed. That's why gates that are open today may be closed tomorrow. Roads that are closed provide hunters willing to hike a longer distance a rare opportunity to hunt locations without the normal pressure of more accessible properties.

The WMNF is one of the most visited national forests in the nation. Whether you're a hunter who is looking for the joys of a remote hunt or someone who simply wants to discover new hunting opportunities, this is an area you should explore.

## OTHER HUNTING SEASONS

Species	Inclusive Dates	Daily Limit
<b>Cottontail Rabbit</b>	Oct. 1 - Dec. 31 WMUs H <sup>2</sup> , K, L, M; (except for closed areas, see pg. 58)	2
<b>Coyote</b>	No closed season; Night hunting allowed, Jan. 1-Mar. 31	No
<b>Crow</b>	Aug. 15 - Nov. 30; Mar. 16 - Mar. 31, 2009	No
<b>Fisher</b>	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31, 2009	No
<b>Fox (Red &amp; Gray), Opossum, Skunk, Weasel</b>	Oct. 1 - Mar. 31, 2009	No
<b>Gray Squirrel</b>	Sept. 1 - Dec. 31	5
<b>Mink and Muskrat</b>	Nov. 1 - April 10, 2009	No
<b>Pheasant</b>	Oct. 1 - Dec. 31	2
<b>Quail, Chukar, Hungarian Partridge</b>	Oct. 1 - Dec. 31	4
<b>Raccoon</b>	Sept. 1 - March 31, 2009	No

(Hunting Hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.)

Season

Limit

Comments

No Snares illegal. Falconry Season - Oct. 1-Mar. 15

No Written landowner permission is required at night. It is illegal to take coyote using a light from a motor vehicle, snowmobile or OHRV. See pg. 19.

No

10 Season Limit, in combination with trapping.  
No more than 5 from the combined WMUs of C<sup>1</sup>, D<sup>2</sup>, E, F, G, H<sup>1</sup>, H<sup>2</sup>, I<sup>1</sup>, I<sup>2</sup>, J<sup>1</sup>, J<sup>2</sup>, K, L & M.  
Sealing required within 10 days of the close of season.

No

No No hunting in parks and cemeteries.

No

10 Either sex — pheasant license required.

No

No Raccoon may be hunted at night. Must not use rifle or pistol larger than .22 caliber, shot size not larger than number 4 birdshot. It is illegal to take raccoons using a light from a motor vehicle or OHRV.

## OTHER HUNTING SEASONS

Species	Inclusive Dates	Daily Limit	
<b>Ruffed Grouse</b> (Partridge)	Oct. 1- Dec. 31	4	
<b>Red Squirrel &amp; Woodchuck</b>	No closed season	No	
<b>Snipe</b>	Sept. 15 - Nov. 4	8	
<b>Snowshoe Hare</b>	Oct. 1 - Mar. 31	WMUs A, B, C <sup>1</sup> , C <sup>2</sup> , D <sup>1</sup> , D <sup>2</sup> , E, F, G, J <sup>1</sup> WMUs H <sup>1</sup> , H <sup>2</sup> , I <sup>1</sup> , I <sup>2</sup> , J <sup>2</sup> , K, L, M	3 2
<b>Turkey</b>			
<u>Fall Archery</u>	Sept. 15 - Dec. 15	WMUs B-M	}1
<u>Fall Shotgun</u>	Oct. 13 - Oct. 17	WMUs D <sup>1</sup> , D <sup>2</sup> , G, H <sup>1</sup> , H <sup>2</sup> , I <sup>1</sup> , I <sup>2</sup> , K	
<u>Spring 2009</u>	May 3 - May 31	Statewide	}1
<u>Youth Hunt</u>	April 25-26, 2009	Statewide	
<b>Waterfowl</b>	Ducks and Geese: seasons, bag limits and special regulations not covered in this digest will be published in Sept. Call (603) 271-2462 or 3211 for information.		
<b>Woodcock</b>	<b>Oct. 6 - Nov. 4</b>	3	

**WILDLIFE PROTECTED:** Certain wildlife not covered in this digest of regulations may be protected by New Hampshire or federal law, and may not be taken. This includes bobcat; spruce grouse; mountain lion; spotted, wood, Blanding's and Eastern box turtles; and all owls and hawks.

(Hunting Hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.)

Season

Limit    Comments

No      All Wildlife Management Units.

No

No      Shooting hours — 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset. A HIP permit is required. State and federal duck stamps are not required

No      Snares illegal.

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A total of 1 bird of either sex may be taken during the fall either by archery or shotgun. The fall tag on the turkey permit is used for either season. Fall hunting hours 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.

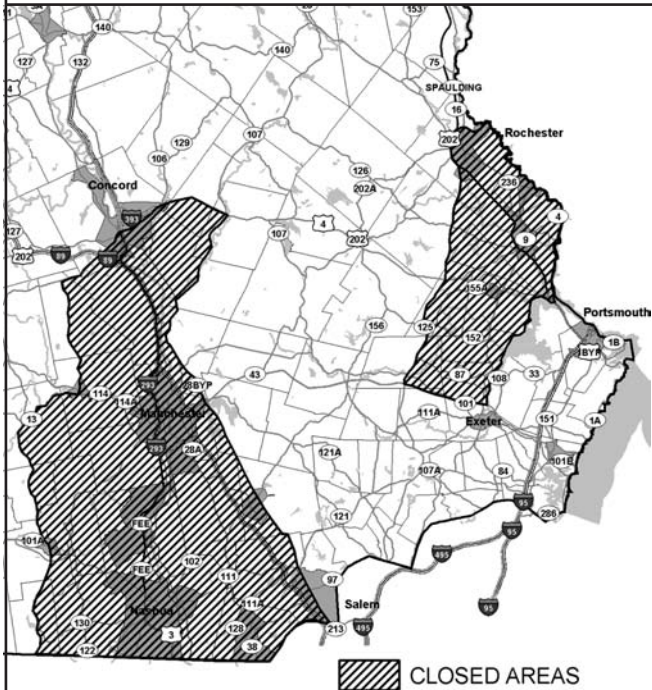
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Bearded turkeys only during spring season. Spring hunting hours 1/2 hour before sunrise until noon. Wild turkey permit required. See page 14 for youth hunt information.

General hunting regulations and specific waterfowl regulations listed on pages 19-30 apply. Shooting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset. HIP is required.

No      Shooting hours — 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset. A HIP permit is required. State and federal duck stamps are not required

## SHADED AREAS CLOSED TO COTTONTAIL RABBIT HUNTING



Those areas indicated above are known locations of New England cottontail rabbits, and are closed to hunting of all cottontail rabbits.

# Sunrise and Sunset

Please note that the NH Sunrise and Sunset times may be several minutes before or after the time shown, depending on your location. Check your local newspaper for exact sunrise/sunset times. Daylight Savings Time has been incorporated into this chart.

Day	SEPT 2008		OCT 2008		NOV 2008		DEC 2008		MAY 2009	
	Rise AM	Set PM	Rise AM	Set PM	Rise AM	Set PM	Rise AM	Set PM	Rise AM	Set PM
1	6:10	7:21	6:43	6:28	7:20	5:38	6:57	4:12	5:40	7:45
2	6:11	7:19	6:44	6:26	6:21	4:37	6:58	4:12	5:39	7:47
3	6:12	7:18	6:45	6:24	6:22	4:36	6:59	4:12	5:37	7:48
4	6:13	7:16	6:46	6:22	6:24	4:35	7:00	4:12	5:36	7:49
5	6:14	7:14	6:47	6:21	6:25	4:33	7:01	4:11	5:35	7:50
6	6:15	7:12	6:48	6:19	6:26	4:32	7:02	4:11	5:33	7:51
7	6:17	7:11	6:50	6:17	6:27	4:31	7:03	4:11	5:32	7:52
8	6:18	7:09	6:51	6:15	6:29	4:30	7:04	4:11	5:31	7:53
9	6:19	7:07	6:52	6:14	6:30	4:29	7:05	4:11	5:30	7:54
10	6:20	7:05	6:53	6:12	6:31	4:28	7:05	4:11	5:28	7:56
11	6:21	7:04	6:54	6:10	6:33	4:27	7:06	4:11	5:27	7:57
12	6:22	7:02	6:55	6:09	6:34	4:25	7:07	4:11	5:26	7:58
13	6:23	7:00	6:57	6:07	6:35	4:24	7:08	4:11	5:25	7:59
14	6:24	6:58	6:58	6:05	6:36	4:24	7:09	4:12	5:24	8:00
15	6:25	6:56	6:59	6:04	6:38	4:23	7:09	4:12	5:23	8:01
16	6:26	6:55	7:00	6:02	6:39	4:22	7:10	4:12	5:22	8:02
17	6:27	6:53	7:01	6:01	6:40	4:21	7:11	4:12	5:21	8:03
18	6:28	6:51	7:02	5:59	6:41	4:20	7:11	4:13	5:20	8:04
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20	6:31	6:47	7:05	5:56	6:44	4:18	7:13	4:13	5:18	8:06
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22	6:33	6:44	7:07	5:53	6:46	4:17	7:14	4:14	5:16	8:08
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24	6:35	6:40	7:10	5:50	6:49	4:16	7:15	4:16	5:15	8:10
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28	6:39	6:33	7:15	5:44	6:53	4:14	7:16	4:18	5:12	8:14
29	6:41	6:31	7:16	5:42	6:54	4:13	7:16	4:19	5:11	8:15
30	6:42	6:29	7:17	5:41	6:56	4:13	7:16	4:20	5:11	8:15
31			7:19	5:40			7:16	4:20	5:10	8:16

# Keeping New Hampshire Deer Safe From CWD

**Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD)** is a wildlife disease related to BSE or “mad cow” disease and scrapie in sheep. It is fatal to deer and other cervids such as elk and possibly moose. Based on the results of Fish and Game Department CWD monitoring efforts in which almost **2,300** deer have been tested since 2002, CWD does not currently exist in New Hampshire. Activities that artificially concentrate deer greatly increase the spread of the disease and make control much more difficult. **Please do not feed deer – ever.**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have found no evidence that CWD is transmissible to humans. Nonetheless, we recommend the following common-sense measures to prevent possible exposure to all wildlife diseases: 1) wear rubber gloves when field dressing your game, 2) bone out the meat from your animal, 3) wash your hands, knives etc. when done, and 4) avoid eating brain, spinal cord, eyes, spleen, tonsils and lymph nodes of harvested animals.

**The importation of hunter-killed white-tailed, black-tailed or mule deer and elk from CWD-positive jurisdictions is prohibited except for:** de-boned meat; antlers; antlers attached to skull caps from which all soft tissue has been removed; upper canine teeth clean of all soft tissue; hides or capes with no part of the head attached; and taxidermy mounts. *CWD-positive jurisdictions include:* In the U.S., Colorado, Illinois, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, New York, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Utah, West Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming; in Canada, Alberta and Saskatchewan.

# **HUNTER, BOWHUNTER AND TRAPPER EDUCATION**

## **HUNTER EDUCATION COURSES**

New Hampshire law requires anyone purchasing their first hunting license, and those who cannot present a previous hunting license, to show they've successfully completed an approved hunter education course.

Hunter education courses average 16 hours in length and are offered in communities across the state. Topics covered include: safe use of firearms and hunting equipment, hunter ethics and responsibility, compass skills, outdoor safety, and wildlife identification.

## **BOWHUNTER EDUCATION COURSES**

This 8-12 hour course provides a wealth of information useful to all bowhunters. Bowhunting methods, equipment and ethics are just a few of the areas covered. Anyone purchasing their first archery license, and those who cannot show a previous archery license, must complete a bowhunter education course.

## **TRAPPER EDUCATION COURSES**

Anyone who cannot show a previous trapping license must complete a trapper education course. The 8-12 hour course focuses on responsible trapping techniques, including appropriate trap selection and set making.

***FOR COURSE LOCATIONS AND TIMES, OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL (603) 271-3214 OR CHECK:  
[www.huntnh.com](http://www.huntnh.com)***

## **Sport Fish and Wildlife Restoration:** **70 Years of Restoring, Managing and** **Researching Fish and Wildlife**

**O**ur thanks to hunters, shooters and anglers! With their purchases of hunting and fishing equipment and motorboat fuels, hunters and anglers pay excise taxes that are distributed to state fish and wildlife agencies. Funds from this program help states restore, manage and research fish and wildlife, creating opportunities for hunting, fishing, boating and enjoying wildlife. Since N.H. Fish and Game gets no state general funds for this work, this revenue is especially important.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service joins state fish and wildlife agencies, private industry and the public in a partnership to conserve fish and wildlife resources.

With help from \$90 million in federal aid funding over more than a half century, N.H. Fish and Game has been able to:

- **Gain Knowledge Through Research**
- **Manage Fish & Wildlife Populations**
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## ***RULES FOR SAFE HUNTING***

- 1. Control the muzzle of your firearm. It should be pointed in a safe direction at all times.** Treat every firearm as if it were loaded!
- 2. Be sure of your target and look beyond,** before you ever raise your firearm or draw your bow.
- 3. Wear hunter orange** to make yourself more visible to other hunters. Never assume you are alone in the woods.

## **HUNT FOR THE HUNGRY**

Hunt for the Hungry is a cooperative program of **The New Hampshire Food Bank**, Manchester, NH, and **Gun Owners of N.H.** The program enables you to donate part or all of your kill to help feed the hungry in our communities. The N.H. Food Bank provides food to more than 350 agencies, food pantries, soup kitchens, homeless shelters, elderly services and group homes in our state.

For more information, call Michele Garron at the N.H. Food Bank, (603) 669-9725.

## New Hampshire Moose Hunt: *Adventure of a Lifetime*

- The moose hunt in New Hampshire is nine days, starting the third Saturday in October.

**The 2008 hunt will be October 18-26.**

- New Hampshire uses a lottery system for its moose hunt. Moose hunting permits are offered to successful lottery applicants following a computer-generated random drawing in June.

- Permit holders can choose one person of any age to join them on the moose hunt. One moose may be taken per permit.
- Success rate in the N.H. moose hunt averages 72 percent.
- **It costs just \$15 for residents and \$25 for nonresidents to enter the moose hunt lottery...try your luck!** Applications for the 2009 moose hunt lottery will be available in late January.
- Find more information on New Hampshire's moose hunt, including a photo gallery and license and permit fees, at **[www.HuntNH.com](http://www.HuntNH.com)**.



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*"This moose weighed in at 740 lbs. and had a 38-inch spread of antlers. That's me on the left, and my dad, Tom Cheever, on the right. Thanks." – Jason Cheever*



## ***Join Today!***

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## **SPECIAL DEER and/or BEAR TAG**

***This tag is to be used only by the persons listed below and for the species specified.*** All others must use the tag attached to their hunting, archery or bear licenses that were purchased at a Fish and Game license agent.

- Resident landowners: deer**
- Youth hunters under 16 years of age: deer**
- Resident over 68 license holders: deer (firearms or archery)**
- Lifetime license holders: deer and/or bear**
- Permanent license holders, Disabled Veteran, Paraplegic for Firearm Deer**

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_ TOWN STATE ZIP

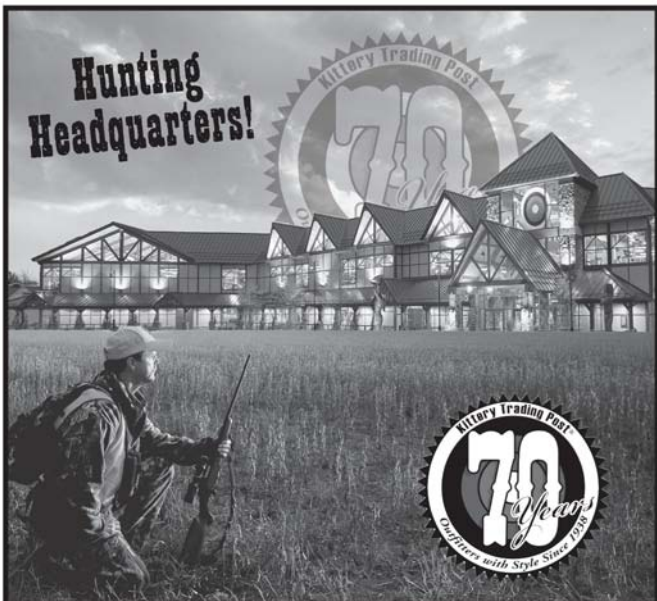
Signature of hunter: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of kill: \_\_\_\_\_ Wildlife Management

Time of kill: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

**Detach this page to use this tag.** Attach immediately upon killing and report to nearest registration station within 24 hours for deer. For bear, call 603-271-3361 within 12 hours and between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. For minors under age 16, call 603-271-3361 within 24 hours and between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

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