

**Department of Natural Resources**

**Chapters:**

**Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules:**

**6230**

**6234**

**WILDLIFE AND GAME REFUGES,  
WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS, AND FURBEARERS**

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**EXPIRES 12-31-2009** (6230.0200, 6230.0400, 6234.1700)

**and 01-31-2010** (6234.2000; and repealers 6230.1200.2, 6234.2100.6)

**Please see enclosure for text of the expedited emergency game and fish rules for wildlife and game refuges, wildlife management areas, and furbearers.**

**Please note that the emergency amendments to MR 6234.1000 published 08-11-2008 are also being repealed by this rule package (see REPEALER section on page 4 of the enclosure).**

1.1 **Department of Natural Resources**

1.2 **Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules: Wildlife and Game Refuges,**  
1.3 **Wildlife Management Areas, and Furbearers**

1.4 **6230.0200 SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS.**

1.5 [For text of subps 1 to 11, see M.R.]

1.6 Subp. 12. **Sanctuary areas open to hunting.** The following sanctuary areas of  
1.7 wildlife management areas posted with "Wildlife Sanctuary Do Not Trespass" signs are  
1.8 open for hunting as specified:

1.9 [For text of items A and B, see M.R.]

1.10 C. The Haverhill Wildlife Management Area in Olmstead County is open to  
1.11 pheasant hunting on October 24 for youth ages 12 to 17 who are participating in Pheasants  
1.12 Forever special mentored youth hunts. Pheasants Forever is sponsoring the hunt.

1.13 Subp. 13. Sanctuaries open to other uses. The posted sanctuary within the  
1.14 Ricehaven Wildlife Management Area in St. Louis County is open from August 1 through  
1.15 September 14 to canoeing, bird watching, and wild rice harvest during the wild rice season.

1.16 **6230.0400 SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR STATE GAME REFUGES.**

1.17 [For text of subp 1, see M.R.]

1.18 Subp. 2. **Bemidji Game Refuge, Beltrami County.** The Bemidji Game Refuge  
1.19 in Beltrami County is open to:

1.20 [For text of items A to C, see M.R.]

1.21 D. deer hunting during the muzzleloader season as prescribed in part 6232.2100  
1.22 and deer and bear hunting by archery.

1.23 [For text of subps 3 to 9, see M.R.]

2.1 Subp. 10. **Erhard's Grove Game Refuge, Otter Tail County.** The Erhard's Grove  
2.2 Game Refuge in Otter Tail County is open to:

2.3 A. deer and bear hunting by firearms; ~~and~~

2.4 B. deer and bear hunting by archery; and

2.5 C. wild turkey and small game hunting except waterfowl.

2.6 [For text of subps 11 to 33, see M.R.]

2.7 Subp. 33a. **Orwell Game Refuge, Otter Tail County.** The Orwell Game Refuge  
2.8 in Otter Tail County is open to pheasant hunting on October 24 for youth ages 12 to 17  
2.9 who are participating in Pheasants Forever special mentored youth hunts. Pheasants  
2.10 Forever is sponsoring the hunt.

2.11 [For text of subps 34 to 51, see M.R.]

2.12 Subp. 52. **Anoka and Isanti Counties Game Refuge, Anoka and Isanti Counties.**  
2.13 The Anoka and Isanti Counties Game Refuge in Anoka and Isanti Counties is open to  
2.14 ~~firearms~~ archery deer hunting by permit and archery turkey hunting.

2.15 [For text of subps 53 to 58, see M.R.]

## 2.16 **6234.1700 TAKING FISHER AND PINE MARTEN.**

2.17 Subpart 1. **Open season.** Fisher and pine marten may be taken by trapping from the  
2.18 first Saturday following Thanksgiving to ~~the Sunday nearest~~ December ~~12~~ 6.

2.19 [For text of subps 2 to 4, see M.R.]

## 2.20 **6234.2000 TAKING OTTER.**

2.21 Subpart 1. **Open season for otter in North Zone.** Otter may be taken by trapping  
2.22 from 9:00 a.m. on the Saturday nearest October 26 to the Sunday nearest January 6 only in  
2.23 that portion of the state described in part 6234.1000, subpart 3.

3.1 Subp. 2. **Open season and area for otter in South Zone.** Otter may be taken by  
3.2 trapping from 9:00 a.m. on the Saturday nearest October 30 to the Sunday nearest January  
3.3 6 only in ~~that portion of the zone lying north of Interstate Highway 94 beginning at the west~~  
3.4 ~~boundary of the state; thence along Interstate Highway 94 to U.S. Highway 10; and thence~~  
3.5 ~~along U.S. Highway 10 to the east boundary of the state~~ those areas described in subpart 3.

3.6 Subp. 3. **Bag limits; open areas.** ~~A person may not take more than four otter~~  
3.7 ~~per season, or possess more than four otter at a time, except that a person may possess~~  
3.8 ~~additional pelts that the person lawfully took, tagged, and registered during previous~~  
3.9 ~~seasons~~ Otter may be taken only in those portions of the state described in items A and  
3.10 B. The remaining portion of the state is closed to taking otter. Notwithstanding the  
3.11 possession limits in items A and B, a person may possess additional pelts that the person  
3.12 lawfully took, tagged, and registered during previous seasons.

3.13 A. A person may not take more than four otter per season or possess more  
3.14 than four otter at a time in that portion of the state lying north of a line beginning on  
3.15 U.S. Highway 12 at the west boundary of the state; thence along U.S. Highway 12 to  
3.16 U.S. Highway 71; thence along U.S. Highway 71 to U.S. Highway 212; thence along  
3.17 U.S. Highway 212 to Interstate Highway 494W (I-494W); thence along I-494W to I-94;  
3.18 thence along I-94 to I-694N; thence along I-694N to I-494E; thence along I-494E to U.S.  
3.19 Highway 61; thence along U.S. Highway 61 to U.S. Highway 10; thence along U.S.  
3.20 Highway 10 to the east boundary of the state.

3.21 B. A person may not take more than two otter per season or possess more  
3.22 than two otter at a time in that portion of the state lying within the following described  
3.23 boundary: on a line beginning at U.S. Highway 63 at the south boundary of the state;  
3.24 thence along U.S. Highway 63 to U.S. Highway 52; thence along U.S. Highway 52 to  
3.25 State Trunk Highway (STH) 19; thence along STH 19 to Interstate Highway 35 (I-35);  
3.26 thence along I-35 to STH 13; thence along STH 13 to U.S. Highway 169; thence along

4.1 U.S. Highway 169 to STH 41; thence along STH 41 to U.S. Highway 212; thence along  
4.2 U.S. Highway 212 to I-494W; thence along I-494W to I-94; thence along I-94 to I-694N;  
4.3 thence along I-694N to I-494E; thence along I-494E to U.S. Highway 61; thence along  
4.4 U.S. Highway 61 to U.S. Highway 10; thence along U.S. Highway 10 to the east boundary  
4.5 of the state; thence along the east and south boundaries of the state to the point of the  
4.6 beginning.

4.7 Subp. 4. **Tagging otter.** Pelts are subject to the provisions of part 6234.2600.

4.8 **REPEALER.** Minnesota Rules, parts 6230.1200, subpart 2; and 6234.2100, subpart 6,  
4.9 are repealed. The expedited emergency amendments to Minnesota Rules, part 6234.1000,  
4.10 published in the State Register, volume 33, page 296, August 11, 2008, are repealed.

4.11 **EFFECTIVE PERIOD.** The emergency amendments to Minnesota Rules, parts  
4.12 6230.0200, 6230.0400, and 6234.1700 expire December 31, 2009. The emergency  
4.13 amendments to Minnesota Rules, part 6234.2000 and the repealer expire January 31,  
4.14 2010. After the emergency amendments and the repealer expire, the permanent rules as  
4.15 they read prior to those amendments and repealer again take effect, except as they may  
4.16 be amended by permanent rule.