

**Department of Natural Resources**

**Chapters:**

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

**6232**

**2017 SPECIAL DEER HUNT CORRECTIONS**

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Please see the attachment for language of this expedited emergency game and fish rules package relating to 2017 deer hunt corrections.

1.1 **Department of Natural Resources**

1.2 **Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules: 2017 Special Deer Hunt**  
1.3 **Corrections**

1.4 **6232.0300 GENERAL RESTRICTIONS FOR TAKING DEER.**

1.5 [For text of subp 1, see 42 SR 282]

1.6 [For text of subps 2 to 5, see M.R.]

1.7 [For text of subp 6, see 42 SR 282]

1.8 Subp. 6a. **License validation.** Before a deer is moved from the site of kill, the person  
1.9 tagging the deer must validate the tag. Validation consists of using a knife or similar sharp  
1.10 object to cut out or a pen to indelibly mark the appropriate notches on the tag indicating:

1.11 A. the month the deer was taken;

1.12 B. the date the deer was taken; and

1.13 C. the time of day the deer was taken.

1.14 [For text of subp 7, see M.R.]

1.15 Subp. 8. **Bag limit.** A person may not tag more than one legal buck per calendar year  
1.16 using any combination of licenses. A person may not tag more than one deer during a license  
1.17 year by any method, except as authorized in items A to G.

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

1.19 D. Except as provided in items E and F, the total bag limits by deer permit area  
1.20 are as follows:

1.21 [For text of subitems (1) and (2), see M.R.]

1.22 [For text of subitems (3) and (4), see 42 SR 282]

1.23 [For text of item E, see M.R.]

2.1 F. Hunters hunting in deer permit area 601 under part 6232.4700, subpart 158,  
 2.2 and in the special chronic wasting disease area (deer permit area 603) under part 6232.4700,  
 2.3 subpart 163, may take and tag an unlimited number of antlerless deer.

2.4 [For text of item G, see M.R.]

2.5 [For text of subp 9, see M.R.]

2.6 Subp. 10. 2017 bonus permits. Bonus permits may be used to take antlerless deer by  
 2.7 archery, firearms, and muzzleloader during special hunts to the extent permitted by parts  
 2.8 6232.0800, 6232.1600, and 6232.2100.

2.9 **6232.0800 ARCHERY SPECIAL HUNT AREAS AND PROCEDURES.**

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

2.11 Subp. 2. **Areas.** Special ~~bow and arrow~~ archery permits are valid in areas designated  
 2.12 by the commissioner and published in the annual hunting regulations booklet. ~~A valid~~  
 2.13 ~~archery license and special permit are required to participate in a special hunt, and~~ Unless  
 2.14 otherwise specified, hunters must possess a valid permit for the archery special hunt areas  
 2.15 authorized in this subpart for the 2017 season. Hunters must meet any requirements from  
 2.16 the municipality ~~or~~ in which the special hunt occurs and from any sponsoring organization.  
 2.17 The following archery special hunt areas are established for the 2017 season:

2.18 [For text of items A to O, see 42 SR 282]

2.19 P. Lake Vermilion-Soudan Underground Mine State Park and portions of the city  
 2.20 of Tower are open November 25 to December ~~10~~ 31 for taking antlerless deer and legal  
 2.21 bucks. No more than ten permits shall be issued. The bag limit is five deer. This is special  
 2.22 hunt ~~area~~ 988;

2.23 [For text of items Q to U, see 42 SR 282]

3.1 V. portions of the River Bend Nature Center in Rice County are open October 29  
 3.2 to November 5 for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks in an earn-a-buck hunt. No more  
 3.3 than 30 permits shall be issued. The bag limit is two deer. This is special hunt ~~area-997; and~~

3.4 W. portions of the city of Red Lake Falls are open September 16 to ~~December~~  
 3.5 October 31 for taking antlerless deer only. No more than ten permits shall be issued. The  
 3.6 bag limit is one deer. This is special hunt ~~area-998;~~ and

3.7 X. portions of the city of Fergus Falls are open September 16 to December 31 for  
 3.8 taking antlerless deer and legal bucks. The city shall issue no more than 30 permits. The  
 3.9 bag limit is two deer. This is special hunt 979.

3.10 [For text of subp 3, see 42 SR 282]

3.11 **6232.1600 SPECIAL HUNT PROCEDURES.**

3.12 [For text of subps 1 to 6, see M.R.]

3.13 Subp. 7. **2017 firearms special hunt areas.** Unless otherwise specified, hunters must  
 3.14 possess a valid permit for the following firearms special hunt areas authorized for the 2017  
 3.15 season:

3.16 A. portions of Cascade River State Park in Cook County are open November 4  
 3.17 to 19 for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks ~~in an earn-a-buck hunt~~. No more than ~~40~~  
 3.18 100 permits shall be issued. Permits shall only be issued to individuals authorized to hunt  
 3.19 the statewide A season. The bag limit is ~~two~~ one deer. This is special hunt ~~area-900;~~

3.20 [For text of item B, see 42 SR 282]

3.21 C. portions of St. Croix State Park in Pine County are open November 16 to ~~20~~  
 3.22 19 for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks. All deer taken at the park must be registered  
 3.23 at St. Croix State Park headquarters and presented for inspection on the day of harvest. No

4.1 more than 350 permits shall be issued. Permits shall only be issued to individuals authorized  
4.2 to hunt the statewide A season. The bag limit is two deer. This is special hunt area-902;

4.3 D. portions of Gooseberry Falls State Park in Lake County are open November  
4.4 ~~5-4~~ to ~~20-19~~ for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks. No more than 30 permits shall be  
4.5 issued. Permits shall only be issued to individuals authorized to hunt the statewide A season.  
4.6 The bag limit is two deer. This is special hunt area-904;

4.7 [For text of items E to P, see 42 SR 282]

4.8 Q. Itasca Wilderness ~~State~~ Scientific and Natural Area and portions of Itasca State  
4.9 Park in Clearwater, Hubbard, and Becker Counties are open November 4 to 12 for taking  
4.10 antlerless deer and legal bucks. Individuals authorized to hunt the statewide A season may  
4.11 hunt the open portions of the park without a special permit ~~and numbers are not limited.~~  
4.12 The bag limit is ~~two~~ three deer. ~~This is special hunt area-917;~~

4.13 [For text of items R to W, see 42 SR 282]

4.14 ~~X. portions of Scenic State Park in Itasca County are open November 4 to 19 for~~  
4.15 ~~taking antlerless deer and legal bucks. No more than 30 permits shall be issued only to~~  
4.16 ~~individuals authorized to hunt the statewide A season. The bag limit is one deer. This is~~  
4.17 ~~special hunt area-926;~~

4.18 ~~Y.~~ X. portions of Carver Park Reserve in Carver County are open November 11  
4.19 and 12 for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks. No more than 110 permits shall be issued  
4.20 ~~only~~ to individuals authorized to hunt ~~the statewide A or B season~~ deer by firearms. There  
4.21 is no bag limit. All hunters must attend a mandatory orientation on October 24 to participate  
4.22 in this hunt. This is special hunt area-930;

4.23 ~~Z.~~ Y. portions of the city of Grand Rapids are open November 4 to 19 for taking  
4.24 antlerless deer and legal bucks. Permits shall be issued only to individuals authorized to

5.1 hunt the statewide A season. Permits are not limited. The bag limit is five deer. This is  
5.2 special hunt area 931;

5.3 ~~AA. portions of Blue Mounds State Park in Rock County are open November 18-~~  
5.4 ~~and 19 for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks. No more than ten permits shall be issued~~  
5.5 ~~only to individuals authorized to hunt the statewide A season. The bag limit is one deer.~~  
5.6 ~~This is special hunt area 932;~~

5.7 ~~BB.~~Z. portions of Forestville Mystery Cave State Park in Fillmore County are  
5.8 open November 4 and 5 for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks. No more than 130 permits  
5.9 shall be issued only to individuals authorized to hunt the statewide A season. The bag limit  
5.10 is five deer. This is special hunt area 933;

5.11 ~~CC.~~AA. Whitewater State Game Refuge in Winona County is open November  
5.12 18 to 26 for taking antlerless deer only. No more than 75 permits shall be issued only to  
5.13 individuals licensed to hunt the late southeast B season. The bag limit is one deer. This is  
5.14 special hunt area 934; and

5.15 ~~DD.~~BB. King's and Queen's Bluff State Scientific and Natural Area and portions  
5.16 of Great River Bluffs State Park in Winona County are open November 18 and 19 for taking  
5.17 antlerless deer and legal bucks. For the purposes of this item, "legal buck" means a male  
5.18 deer with a minimum of four antler points greater than one inch in length on at least one  
5.19 antler. No more than 50 permits shall be issued only to individuals authorized to hunt the  
5.20 late southeast B season. The bag limit is two deer. This is special hunt area 962; and

5.21 CC. portions of Whitewater State Park in Winona County are open November 18  
5.22 and 19 for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks. For the purposes of this item, "legal buck"  
5.23 means a male deer with a minimum of four antler points greater than one inch in length on  
5.24 at least one antler. No more than 50 permits shall be issued to individuals authorized to hunt  
5.25 the late southeast B season. The bag limit is two deer. This is special hunt 927.

6.1 **6232.1750 DEER PERMIT AREA DESIGNATION; QUOTAS.**

6.2 Subpart 1. **Designation.**

6.3 [For text of items A to F, see 42 SR 282]

6.4 G. The following deer permit areas are early antlerless deer permit areas: 346,  
6.5 348, ~~and 349~~, and 603.

6.6 [For text of subps 2 and 3, see 42 SR 282]

6.7 **6232.2100 MUZZLELOADER SEASON AND AREAS.**

6.8 [For text of subps 1 and 2, see M.R.]

6.9 [For text of subp 3, see 42 SR 282]

6.10 Subp. 4. **2017 muzzleloader special hunt areas.** Unless otherwise specified, hunters  
6.11 must possess a valid license to take deer by muzzleloader and a permit for the following  
6.12 special hunt areas authorized for the 2017 season:

6.13 [For text of item A, see 42 SR 282]

6.14 B. portions of Frontenac State Park in Goodhue County are open December 2 and  
6.15 3 for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks. For the purposes of this item, "legal buck"  
6.16 means a male deer with a minimum of four antler points greater than one inch in length on  
6.17 at least one antler. No more than 50 permits shall be issued. The bag limit is two deer. This  
6.18 is special hunt ~~area 929-940~~;

6.19 C. Hemlock Ravine ~~State~~ Scientific and Natural Area and portions of Jay Cooke  
6.20 State Park in Carlton County are open December 2 to 6 for taking antlerless deer and legal  
6.21 bucks. No more than 75 permits shall be issued. The bag limit is two deer. This is special  
6.22 hunt ~~area 935~~;

6.23 [For text of item D, see 42 SR 282]

7.1 E. portions of Lake Vermilion-Soudan Underground Mine State Park in St. Louis  
 7.2 County are open November ~~26~~25 to December 10 for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks.  
 7.3 No more than 25 permits shall be issued. The bag limit is two deer. This is special hunt ~~area~~  
 7.4 937;

7.5 [For text of items F and G, see 42 SR 282]

7.6 H. Itasca Wilderness ~~State Scientific and~~ Natural Area and portions of Itasca State  
 7.7 Park in Clearwater, Hubbard, and Becker Counties are open November 25 to December 10  
 7.8 for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks. No permit is required ~~and numbers are not limited.~~  
 7.9 The bag limit is ~~two~~three deer. ~~This is special hunt area 940;~~

7.10 [For text of items I to P, see 42 SR 282]

7.11 **6232.2500 DISABLED HUNT.**

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

7.13 Subp. 2. **Open areas.** ~~Disability permittees~~ A hunter meeting the requirements of  
 7.14 subpart 1 may hunt in open areas and seasons as designated by the commissioner and  
 7.15 published in the annual hunting regulations booklet. Hunters must meet any requirements  
 7.16 from the municipality in which the special hunt occurs and from any sponsoring organization.  
 7.17 In 2017, the following areas are open for hunting by disabled hunters:

7.18 [For text of item A, see 42 SR 282]

7.19 B. Rosemoen Island in the Lac qui Parle Wildlife Management Area Sanctuary  
 7.20 in Chippewa County is open September ~~17~~16 to 24 for taking antlerless deer and legal  
 7.21 bucks by legal firearms or archery. No more than ~~20~~30 permits shall be issued. The bag  
 7.22 limit is one deer. This is special hunt ~~area~~999. Capable Partners is the sponsoring nonprofit  
 7.23 organization;

7.24 [For text of items C and D, see 42 SR 282]

8.1 E. Rice Lake National Wildlife Refuge is open October ~~12-5~~ to ~~14-8~~ for taking  
 8.2 antlerless deer and legal bucks by legal firearms. No more than ~~20-15~~ permits shall be issued.  
 8.3 The bag limit is one deer. Rice Lake National Wildlife Refuge is the sponsor;

8.4 F. Vermillion Highlands Research, Recreation, and Wildlife Management Area  
 8.5 is open ~~October~~ September 16 and 17 and October 21 and 22 for taking antlerless deer and  
 8.6 legal bucks by legal firearms or archery. No more than 20 permits shall be issued. The bag  
 8.7 limit is two deer. Capable Partners is the sponsor;

8.8 [For text of items G and H, see 42 SR 282]

8.9 I. portions of Carlos Avery Wildlife Management Area Sanctuary in Anoka County  
 8.10 are open October 7 to 15 for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks by legal firearms or  
 8.11 archery. No more than 20 permits shall be issued. The bag limit is one deer. Capable Partners  
 8.12 is the sponsor; ~~and~~

8.13 J. Rydell National Wildlife Refuge in Polk County is open October 12 to 14 for  
 8.14 taking antlerless deer and legal bucks by legal firearms or archery. No more than 20 permits  
 8.15 shall be issued. The bag limit is one deer. Rydell National Wildlife Refuge is the sponsor.  
 8.16 This is special hunt ~~area-957;~~ and

8.17 K. Bend in the River Regional Park in Benton County is open October 10 to 12  
 8.18 for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks by legal firearms. No more than two permits shall  
 8.19 be issued. The bag limit is one deer. Midwest Outdoors Unlimited is the sponsor.

8.20 **6232.2550 YOUTH AND ADULT SPECIAL DEER HUNTS.**

8.21 [For text of subps 1 and 2, see M.R.]

8.22 Subp. 3. **Open areas.** The youth and adult special deer hunt areas described in items  
 8.23 A to ~~V~~ W are open by permit in 2017.

8.24 [For text of items A to V, see 42 SR 223]

9.1 W. Portions of Blue Mounds State Park in Rock County are open November 18  
9.2 and 19 for youth taking antlerless deer and legal bucks. No more than ten permits shall be  
9.3 issued. The bag limit is one deer. This is special hunt 966.

9.4 **REPEALER.** The expedited emergency amendment to Minnesota Rules, part 6232.0300,  
9.5 subpart 10, published in the State Register, volume 42, page 282, September 5, 2017, is  
9.6 repealed.

9.7 **EFFECTIVE PERIOD.** The expedited emergency amendments to Minnesota Rules, parts  
9.8 6232.0300, 6232.0800, 6232.1600, 6232.2100, and 6232.2500, expire January 31, 2018.  
9.9 The expedited emergency amendments to Minnesota Rules, part 6232.2550, expire December  
9.10 31, 2017.