

**Department of Natural Resources**

**Chapters:**

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

**6232**

**SPECIAL HUNTS FOR MANAGING CWD IN DEER**

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Please see the attachment for language of this expedited emergency game and fish rules package relating to special hunts for managing CWD in deer.

1.1 **Department of Natural Resources**

1.2 **Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules: Special Hunts for Managing**  
1.3 **Chronic Wasting Disease in Deer**

1.4 **6232.0400 REGISTRATION OF DEER.**

1.5 Subpart 1. [Repealed, 20 SR 2287]

1.6 *[For text of subp 2, see 42 SR 282]*

1.7 *[For text of subps 3 and 4, see M.R.]*

1.8 *[For text of subps 5 and 6, see 42 SR 282]*

1.9 **Subp. 7. Deer taken during disease management hunts.**

1.10 **A. Deer taken during the disease management hunts described in part 6232.1600,**  
1.11 **subpart 8, must be presented for mandatory testing for chronic wasting disease at a**  
1.12 **department-staffed testing station within 24 hours of harvest.**

1.13 **B. Except as specified in item C, carcasses from deer taken during the disease**  
1.14 **management hunts must remain in the hunt area described in part 6232.1600, subpart 8,**  
1.15 **item A, unless tagged by an authorized department representative or until results of a test**  
1.16 **for chronic wasting disease show the disease has not been detected in the harvested deer.**

1.17 **C. Cut and wrapped meat, quarters, or other portions of meat from a deer taken**  
1.18 **during the disease management hunts may be transported outside the hunt area described**  
1.19 **in part 6232.1600, subpart 8, item A, if no part of the spinal column or head is attached.**  
1.20 **Antlers, hides, teeth, finished taxidermy mounts, and antlers attached to skull caps that are**  
1.21 **cleaned of all brain tissue may be transported outside the hunt area.**

1.22 **6232.1600 SPECIAL HUNT PROCEDURES.**

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

1.24 *[For text of subp 7, see 42 SR 282 and 42 SR 407]*

2.1 Subp. 8. Disease management hunts.

2.2 A. Except as specified in items C to I, the following deer permit areas are open  
2.3 January 6 to January 14, 2018, for taking an unlimited number of either-sex deer by firearms,  
2.4 muzzleloader, and archery:

2.5 (1) deer permit areas 347, 348, and 603, as described in part 6232.4700,  
2.6 subparts 100, 101, and 163, published in the State Register, volume 42, page 282;

2.7 (2) that portion of deer permit area 345 south of Interstate 90, including the  
2.8 city of Rushford; and

2.9 (3) Cherry Grove Blind Valley Scientific and Natural Area in deer permit  
2.10 area 347.

2.11 B. Hunters who purchase a disease management permit or who possess a 2017  
2.12 Minnesota landowner license, youth or adult firearm license, youth or adult muzzleloader  
2.13 license, or youth or adult archery license to take deer may participate in the hunt authorized  
2.14 in item A. Hunters may tag either-sex deer with disease management tags or unused tags  
2.15 from a 2017 landowner license, youth or adult firearm license, youth or adult muzzleloader  
2.16 license, or youth or adult archery license. Antlerless deer may be tagged with bonus tags  
2.17 or early-season antlerless tags. Firearm hunters may use only legal shotguns loaded with  
2.18 single-slug shotgun shells, legal muzzle-loading long guns, legal handguns, or crossbows  
2.19 for taking deer during the hunt. The restrictions in part 6232.0350 do not apply to the hunt  
2.20 authorized in item A.

2.21 C. The city of Rushford within or adjacent to deer permit area 348 is included in  
2.22 the hunt area under item A, but the remaining portion of deer permit area 348 within the  
2.23 following described boundary is excluded from the hunt area under item A:

2.24 Beginning at the intersection of the southern border of the state and County State-Aid  
2.25 Highway (CSAH) 21, Fillmore County; thence along CSAH 21 to the Canton city  
2.26 boundary; thence along the Canton city boundary to US Highway 52; thence along US

3.1 Highway 52 to CSAH 23; thence along CSAH 23 to CSAH 12; thence along CSAH  
3.2 12 to State Trunk Highway (STH) 43; thence along STH 43 to CSAH 28; thence along  
3.3 CSAH 28 to the southern boundary of the state; thence along the southern boundary  
3.4 of the state to the point of beginning.

3.5 D. The city of Spring Valley is included in the hunt area under item A, but the  
3.6 remaining portion of deer permit area 347 within the following described boundary is  
3.7 excluded from the hunt area under item A:

3.8 Beginning at the intersection of US Highway 63/State Trunk Highway (STH) 16 and  
3.9 County State-Aid Highway (CSAH) 1, Fillmore County; thence along CSAH 1 to  
3.10 CSAH 1/CSAH 4; thence along CSAH 1/CSAH 4 to CSAH 4; thence along CSAH 4  
3.11 to CSAH 38; thence along CSAH 4/CSAH 38 to CSAH 4; thence along CSAH 4 to  
3.12 CSAH 5; thence along CSAH 5 to the Chatfield city boundary in Fillmore and Olmsted  
3.13 Counties; thence along the Chatfield city boundary to the intersection with STH 30;  
3.14 thence along STH 30 to US Highway 63; thence along US Highway 63 to US Highway  
3.15 63/CSAH 16; thence along US Highway 63/CSAH 16 to the point of beginning.

3.16 E. For the special hunts described in items F to I, hunters must obtain a free  
3.17 disease-hunt surplus permit from an electronic license system agent, the Department of  
3.18 Natural Resources License Center, or other authorized agents. Permits are available on a  
3.19 first-come, first-served basis. Hunters must select one hunt. Only hunters who possess a  
3.20 2017 Minnesota landowner license, youth or adult firearm license, or youth or adult  
3.21 muzzleloader license to take deer may obtain a free disease-hunt surplus permit. Deer of  
3.22 either sex may be tagged with disease management tags or unused tags from a 2017  
3.23 landowner license, youth or adult firearm license, or youth or adult muzzleloader license.  
3.24 Antlerless deer may be tagged with bonus tags or early-season antlerless tags.

3.25 F. Forestville Mystery Cave State Park in Fillmore County is open January 6 to  
3.26 January 9, 2018, for taking an unlimited number of either-sex deer by firearms. This is  
3.27 special hunt 801.

3.28 G. Forestville Mystery Cave State Park in Fillmore County is open January 10 to  
3.29 January 14, 2018, for taking an unlimited number of either-sex deer by firearms. This is  
3.30 special hunt 802.

4.1 H. Pin Oak Prairie Scientific and Natural Area in Fillmore County is open January  
4.2 6 to January 9, 2018, for taking an unlimited number of either-sex deer by firearms. This  
4.3 is special hunt 803.

4.4 I. Pin Oak Prairie Scientific and Natural Area in Fillmore County is open January  
4.5 10 to January 14, 2018, for taking an unlimited number of either-sex deer by firearms. This  
4.6 is special hunt 804.

4.7 **6232.1980 TAKING DEER BY ANY WEAPON USING DISEASE MANAGEMENT**  
4.8 **PERMITS.**

4.9 Subpart 1. **Purchase.** An unlimited number of disease management permits may be  
4.10 purchased by a person who has purchased a valid deer license. Disease management permits  
4.11 may be purchased for \$1.50 from an electronic license system agents agent, the Department  
4.12 of Natural Resources License Center, ~~and~~ or other authorized agents.

4.13 *[For text of subp 2, see 42 SR 282]*

4.14 Subp. 3. **Disease management hunts.** Disease management permits are valid in the  
4.15 special hunt areas described in part 6232.1600, subpart 8. Disease management permits  
4.16 may be purchased without first purchasing an archery, firearms, or muzzleloader license.