

Department of Natural Resources

Chapters:

Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules:

6232

2020 SPRING UPDATE TO PROHIBITION TO FEEDING DEER

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EXPIRES 12-30-2021 (18 months)

Please see the attachment for language of this expedited emergency game and fish rules package relating to the 2020 spring update for deer feeding prohibitions.

1.1 **Department of Natural Resources**

1.2 **Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules: 2020 Spring Update to**
1.3 **Prohibition on Feeding Deer**

1.4 **6232.4800 FEEDING DEER PROHIBITED IN CERTAIN COUNTIES.**

1.5 Subpart 1. **Definitions.** For purposes of this part:

1.6 A. "attractants" means liquid food scents, salt, minerals, and other natural or
1.7 manufactured products that are capable of attracting or enticing deer, including any product
1.8 that contains or purports to contain cervid urine, blood, gland oil, feces, or other bodily
1.9 fluid;

1.10 B. "feed" means grains, fruits, vegetables, nuts, hay, and other food that is capable
1.11 of attracting or enticing deer; and

1.12 C. "place" includes to place, cause to place, distribute, or otherwise put on a
1.13 person's property or allow another to place, distribute, or put on a person's property.

1.14 Subp. 2. **Applicability; prohibition; feed and attractants.**

1.15 A. In Aitkin, Cass, Crow Wing, Dakota, Dodge, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue,
1.16 Hennepin, Houston, Hubbard, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Mower, Olmsted, Ramsey, Rice, Scott,
1.17 Steele, Todd, Wabasha, Wadena, Washington, and Winona Counties, a person may not
1.18 place feed or attractants except as provided in subpart 3.

1.19 B. In Carlton, Chisago, Douglas, Isanti, Kanabec, Pine, Pope, and Stearns Counties,
1.20 a person may not place feed except as provided in subpart 3.

1.21 C. In Kandiyohi, McLeod, Meeker, and Wright Counties and that portion of
1.22 Renville County lying north of U.S. Highway 212, a person may not place feed through
1.23 June 30, 2020, except as provided in subpart 3.

1.24 Subp. 3. **Exceptions.** The prohibitions in subpart 2 do not include feed that is:

2.1 A. intended to feed wildlife other than deer if the feed is:

2.2 (1) arranged to exclude access to deer; or

2.3 (2) put at least six feet above the ground;

2.4 B. present solely as a result of normal agricultural, forest management, or wildlife
2.5 food-planting practices; or

2.6 C. for livestock purposes if the feed is:

2.7 (1) for domestic livestock that are present and actively consuming the feed
2.8 daily;

2.9 (2) covered to deter deer from accessing the feed; or

2.10 (3) stored consistent with normal agricultural practices.

2.11 Subp. 4. Cleanup.

2.12 A. In addition to any other penalties imposed, a person must immediately remove
2.13 any feed and attractants that have been placed in violation of subpart 2.

2.14 B. Failing to comply with this subpart is a separate violation from and in addition
2.15 to a violation of subpart 2.

2.16 REPEALER. Minnesota Rules, part 6232.4800, published in the State Register, volume
2.17 44, page 939, February 24, 2020, is repealed.

2.18 EFFECTIVE PERIOD. Minnesota Rules, part 6232.4800, is effective June 30, 2020.