

Department of Natural Resources

Chapters:

Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules:

**6230, 6234, 6236,
6237, 6240**

**UPLAND BIRD AND WILD TURKEY SEASONS, WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS,
STATE GAME REFUGES, AND COMMON CROW SEASON**

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Please see the attachment for language of this expedited emergency game and fish rules package relating to Upland Bird and Wild Turkey Seasons, Wildlife Management Areas, State Game Refuges, and Common Crow Season.

1.1 **Department of Natural Resources**

1.2 **Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules: Upland Bird and Wild Turkey**
1.3 **Seasons, Wildlife Management Areas, State Game Refuges, and Common Crow Season**

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

1.5 *[For text of subparts 1 to 3, see Minnesota Rules]*

1.6 *[For text of subpart 4, see State Register, volume 49, page 392]*

1.7 *[For text of subpart 5, see State Register, volume 49, page 150]*

1.8 *[For text of subparts 6 to 8, see Minnesota Rules]*

1.9 *[For text of subpart 9, see State Register, volume 49, page 150]*

1.10 *[For text of subpart 10, see Minnesota Rules]*

1.11 **Subp. 11. Areas with other restrictions.**

1.12 *[For text of items A to D, see Minnesota Rules]*

1.13 E. The St. Michael Meadows Wildlife Management Area in Wright County is
1.14 closed to all hunting and trapping except archery deer hunting.

1.15 *[For text of items F to H, see State Register, volume 49, page 150]*

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

1.19 *[For text of item A, see Minnesota Rules]*

1.20 **B. The Carlos Avery Wildlife Management Area sanctuaries are open for:**

1.21 ~~(1) hunting by persons with disabilities at designated stands, by permit, and~~
1.22 stations for special hunts conducted by a permitted nonprofit organization.

~~(2) taking wild turkeys during the spring wild turkey season in those portions of the sanctuaries that lie within an open spring wild turkey hunting zone.~~

[For text of item C, see State Register, volume 49, page 150]

[For text of subpart 13, see Minnesota Rules]

6230.0290 BECKLIN HOMESTEAD PARK WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA.

Subpart 1. Open hunting. The Becklin Homestead Park Wildlife Management Area is open to hunting and trapping during the established seasons only to ~~disabled~~ hunters and trappers ~~who meet the requirements of~~ with disabilities and their able-bodied partners during:

A. the established seasons according to Minnesota Statutes, section 97B.055, subdivision 3, paragraphs (a) and (b); and

B. the special hunt described under subpart 2.

Subp. 2. Special hunt.

A. The Becklin Homestead Park Wildlife Management Area is open April 16 to May 31 for taking wild turkey according to this subpart. An unlimited number of permits shall be issued to hunters with disabilities. Capable Partners is the sponsor. Hunters with disabilities and able-bodied partners must meet any hunt requirements of the sponsoring organization.

B. Hunters with disabilities must be accompanied by an able-bodied partner each time they hunt. Hunters with disabilities must purchase and possess a spring turkey-hunting license. The bag limit is one bearded turkey per season.

C. Able-bodied partners must stay within 100 yards of the hunter with disabilities and may take only legal bearded turkeys. Able-bodied partners must purchase and possess a spring turkey-hunting license. The bag limit for able-bodied partners is one bearded turkey per season.

6230.0400 SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR STATE GAME REFUGES.

[For text of subpart 1, see Minnesota Rules]

[For text of subpart 2, see State Register, volumes 49, page 150; and 50, page 5]

[For text of subparts 3 and 4, see Minnesota Rules]

[For text of subpart 5, see State Register, volumes 49, page 150; and 50, page 5]

[For text of subpart 6, see Minnesota Rules]

Subp. 7. **Cross Lake Game Refuge, Crow Wing County.** The Cross Lake Game Refuge in Crow Wing County is open to:

[For text of item A, see Minnesota Rules]

B. deer and bear hunting by archery and spring turkey hunting by archery.

[For text of subparts 8 to 10, see Minnesota Rules]

[For text of subpart 11, see State Register, volume 50, page 5]

[For text of subpart 12, see State Register, volume 49, page 150]

[For text of subpart 13, see State Register, volume 50, page 5]

[For text of subparts 14 to 20, see Minnesota Rules]

[For text of subpart 21, see State Register, volume 50, page 5]

[For text of subparts 22 to 32, see Minnesota Rules]

[For text of subpart 33, see State Register, volume 50, page 5]

[For text of subparts 34 to 40, see Minnesota Rules]

[For text of subpart 41, see State Register, volume 50, page 5]

[For text of subpart 42, see Minnesota Rules]

4.1 [For text of subpart 43, see State Register, volume 50, page 5]

4.2 [For text of subparts 44 to 47, see Minnesota Rules]

4.3 [For text of subpart 48, see State Register, volume 50, page 5]

4.4 [For text of subpart 49, see State Register, volume 49, page 150]

4.5 [For text of subparts 50 to 53, see Minnesota Rules]

4.6 [For text of subpart 54, see State Register, volume 50, page 5]

4.7 [For text of subpart 55, see State Register, volume 49, page 150]

4.8 [For text of subparts 56 to 60, see Minnesota Rules]

4.9 [For text of subparts 61 to 63, see State Register, volume 49, page 150]

4.10 Subp. 64. **Camp Ripley Military Reservation Game Refuge, Morrison County.** The
4.11 Camp Ripley Military Reservation Game Refuge is open April 21 to 23 for spring turkey
4.12 hunting to individuals with disabilities participating in a special hunt sponsored by Veterans
4.13 Outdoor Programs. The refuge is open May 6 to 8 for spring turkey hunting to members of
4.14 the military and their children participating in a special hunt sponsored by the Camp Ripley
4.15 Environmental Office.

4.16 **6234.0200 TAKING RUFFED GROUSE AND SPRUCE GROUSE.**

4.17 [For text of subpart 1, see Minnesota Rules]

4.18 Subp. 2. **Bag limit.** A person may not take more than an aggregate of five ruffed
4.19 grouse and spruce grouse per day, of which no more than two may be spruce grouse, or
4.20 possess an aggregate of more than ten ruffed grouse and spruce grouse at a time, of which
4.21 no more than four may be spruce grouse.

6234.0300 TAKING SHARP-TAILED GROUSE.

Subpart 1. **Bag limits.** A person may not take more than three sharp-tailed grouse or their hybrids per day or possess more than six sharp-tailed grouse or their hybrids at a time.

[For text of subpart 2, see Minnesota Rules]

Subp. 2a. **Northwest Zone.** The Northwest Zone for taking sharp-tailed grouse is that portion of the state's open area lying west of the following described boundary line:

Beginning at the intersection of Voyageurs National Park and the northern boundary of the state; thence along the western boundary of the park to the public access to Lake Kabetogama at Gappa's Landing; thence along County Road 523, St. Louis County, to County State-Aid Highway (CSAH) 123, St. Louis County; thence along CSAH 123 to CSAH 122, St. Louis County; thence along CSAH 122 to U.S. Highway (US) 53; thence along US 53 to State Trunk Highway (STH) 73; thence along STH 73 to the intersection of STH 73 and STH 1.

Subp. 2b. **East-Central Zone.** The East-Central Zone for taking sharp-tailed grouse is that portion of the state's open area that is not included in the Northwest Zone.

Subp. 3. **Open season.** Sharp-tailed grouse may be taken by firearm or bow and arrow from the Saturday on or nearest September 16 to November 30 in the Northwest Zone. Sharp-tailed grouse may not be taken in the East-Central Zone.

6236.0300 TURKEY HUNT DRAWING.

Subpart 1. ~~Spring license application drawings~~ **Special turkey hunts.**

A. Applications ~~for spring hunts~~ to hunt the Carlos Avery or Whitewater Wildlife Management Area must be made according to this part and according to application instructions provided by the commissioner. Each person must apply ~~at an~~ through the electronic license system ~~agent or,~~ the Department of Natural Resources License Center, or other authorized agents.

B. Drawings will be conducted by the department to determine persons who will be eligible to ~~purchase licenses for each season~~ hunt the Carlos Avery or Whitewater Wildlife

6.1 Management Area during period A. The drawings will be subject to the quotas established
6.2 by the commissioner.

6.3 C. Preference in the respective drawings is given to applicants based upon the
6.4 number of times they have correctly applied ~~for a license for that hunt~~ to hunt one of the
6.5 specified wildlife management areas but have been unsuccessful. ~~A person selected by the~~
6.6 ~~drawings is~~ Successful applicants are eligible to ~~purchase a license to~~ hunt turkey in the
6.7 wildlife management area they selected during the period indicated on their turkey-hunting
6.8 license. Successful applicants may also hunt in areas that are otherwise open to spring turkey
6.9 hunting. Upon issuance of a ~~turkey license for the spring season~~ permit to hunt one of the
6.10 specified wildlife management areas, all accumulated preference ~~for that season~~ is lost;
6.11 ~~except as provided in subpart 6.~~

6.12 ~~B.~~ D. No lottery application is needed to purchase a spring or fall turkey license.

6.13 E. Only successful applicants will be notified.

6.14 Subp. 2. **Participation in application drawings.** A person may not apply more than
6.15 once for a hunt, whether as an individual or as a member of a group. ~~Qualifying individuals~~
6.16 ~~may apply for the resident landowner-tenant turkey drawing.~~ All of the information in items
6.17 A to ~~G~~ F must be supplied on the application forms.

6.18 [For text of items A and B, see Minnesota Rules]

6.19 C. Up to four persons desiring to hunt together as a group may apply as a group.
6.20 Group applications shall either all be selected or none selected. All group members must
6.21 apply for the same wild turkey permit ~~areas and time periods~~ area and period. The preference
6.22 rating of applicants who apply as a group ~~shall be~~ is determined by the individual in the
6.23 group with the lowest preference. ~~Group applications may be made up of all general or all~~
6.24 ~~landowner-tenant applications, but not both.~~

~~D. A person who applies as a landowner or tenant but does not meet the definition as provided by this part will be ineligible for that season's drawings.~~

~~E. D.~~ The application deadline for the spring season is the second Friday in January, February 13.

~~F. E.~~ Youth age 17 and younger may purchase a wild turkey hunting license to hunt all eight spring turkey time periods. ~~A wild turkey hunting license under this item is separate from the normal lottery process and is valid for hunting in any wild turkey permit area.~~ Hunters with a valid permit to hunt from a standing vehicle issued under Minnesota Statutes, section 97B.055, subdivision 3, may purchase a spring turkey license for any firearm season period and may hunt all spring turkey periods.

~~G. F. A person who has not applied for a wild turkey license through the lottery or who applied for a license and was unsuccessful in the lottery may purchase a wild turkey hunting license to hunt the spring turkey season during the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, or eighth time period. A wild turkey hunting license under this item is separate from the normal lottery process. Firearms hunters who purchase a license under this item~~ age 18 and older must choose and hunt in one time period. Archery During the selected period and the sixth period, firearms hunters may use legal firearms, a legal bow and arrow, or a crossbow. A firearms hunter who has not harvested a turkey during their selected period may also hunt during the sixth period. Archery-only hunters who purchase a license under this item may hunt throughout the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth time all periods.

~~(1) Turkey lottery preference points shall not be reduced for a person purchasing a license under this item.~~

G. (2) A person may take only one bearded turkey during the entire spring turkey season ~~regardless of whether the hunter purchased a license through the lottery system or as provided in this item.~~

Subp. 3. [See repealer.]

[For text of subparts 4 and 5, see Minnesota Rules]

Subp. 6. [See repealer.]

6236.0400 OBTAINING LICENSE.

~~The following provisions apply to persons who have applied for a turkey license:~~

~~A. Only successful applicants will be notified.~~

~~B. Successful applicants will receive a license application with instructions for obtaining their licenses. Persons who do not return the license application and the fee according to the provisions specified on the license application or who do not provide all the requested information will be disqualified.~~

~~C. A person may purchase a fall or spring turkey license without an application. A turkey permit area must be selected, but hunters are not required to hunt in that area.~~

6236.0600 SPRING TURKEY SEASON.

Subpart 1. **Open dates.** The spring turkey season opens the Wednesday nearest April 15 and consists of ~~six~~ five consecutive ~~five-day~~ seven-day periods followed by ~~two~~ consecutive seven-day periods one final period that ends May 31.

[For text of subparts 2 and 3, see Minnesota Rules]

Subp. 4. **Open areas.** Wild turkey permit areas are open for the spring turkey season as prescribed by the commissioner. Turkey licenses are valid for taking turkeys ~~only in the wild turkey permit area~~ in any open area during the period specified on the license, except for archery-only licenses issued under Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.435, subdivision 5, paragraph (a). Archery-only licenses and youth licenses are valid for any period and in any open area.

[For text of subpart 5, see Minnesota Rules]

9.1 **6236.0700 FALL TURKEY SEASON.**

9.2 *[For text of subparts 1 to 3, see Minnesota Rules]*

9.3 Subp. 4. **Open areas.** Wild turkey permit areas are open for the fall turkey season as
9.4 prescribed by the commissioner. Turkey licenses are valid ~~for taking turkeys only in the~~
9.5 ~~wild turkey permit area specified on the license~~ statewide. The following wild turkey permit
9.6 areas are open for the 2025 fall season: 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510,
9.7 511, and 512.

9.8 *[For text of subpart 5, see Minnesota Rules]*

9.9 **6236.0810 WILD TURKEY PERMIT AREA DESCRIPTIONS.**

9.10 *[For text of subpart 1, see Minnesota Rules]*

9.11 Subp. 2. **Permit area 501.** Permit area 501 consists of that portion of the state lying
9.12 within the following described boundary:

9.13 Beginning at the intersection of the southern and eastern boundaries of the state; thence
9.14 along the southern boundary to U.S. Highway 63, Fillmore County; thence along U.S.
9.15 Highway 63 to State Trunk Highway (STH) 30, Olmsted County; thence along STH
9.16 30 to County State-Aid Highway (CSAH) 13, Olmsted County; thence along CSAH
9.17 13 to STH 57, Dodge County; thence along STH 57 to U.S. Highway 52; thence along
9.18 U.S. Highway 52 to STH 19; thence along STH 19 to the west bank of the Little Cannon
9.19 River; thence along the west bank of the Little Cannon River to the north bank of the
9.20 Cannon River; thence along the north bank of the Cannon River to U.S. Highway 61;
9.21 thence along U.S. Highway 61 to ~~U.S. Highway 63; thence along U.S. Highway 63 to~~
9.22 CSAH 18, Goodhue County; thence along CSAH 18 to Sturgeon Lake Road, Goodhue
9.23 County; thence along Sturgeon Lake Road to Wakonade Drive, Goodhue County;
9.24 thence along Wakonade Drive to Lock and Dam No. 3 and the eastern boundary of the
9.25 state; thence along the eastern boundary of the state to the point of beginning.

9.26 *[For text of subpart 3, see Minnesota Rules]*

9.27 Subp. 4. **Permit area 503.** Permit area 503 consists of that portion of the state lying
9.28 within the following described boundary:

Beginning at the intersection of the southern boundary of the state and U.S. Highway 63, Fillmore County; thence along the southern boundary of the state to State Trunk Highway (STH) 22, Faribault County; thence along STH 22 to County State-Aid Highway (CSAH) 29, Faribault County; thence along CSAH 29 to CSAH 3, Waseca County; thence along CSAH 3 to STH 30; thence along STH 30 to STH 22, Blue Earth County; thence along STH 22 to U.S. Highway 14; thence along U.S. Highway 14 to STH 60, Blue Earth County; thence along STH 60 to CSAH 26, Blue Earth County; thence along CSAH 26 to CSAH 15, Le Sueur County; thence along CSAH 15 to STH 99, Le Sueur County; thence along STH 99 to CSAH 11, Le Sueur County; thence along CSAH 11 to CSAH 26, Le Sueur County; thence along CSAH 26 to CSAH 11, Le Sueur County; thence along CSAH 11 to STH 19, Le Sueur County; thence along STH 19 to Interstate Highway 35; thence along Interstate Highway 35 to CSAH 70, Scott County; thence along CSAH 70 to CSAH 23, Dakota County; thence along CSAH 23 to STH 50, Dakota County; thence along STH 50 to STH 3, Dakota County; thence along STH 3 to CSAH 66, Dakota County; thence along CSAH 66 to U.S. Highway 52; thence along U.S. Highway 52 to CSAH 46, Dakota County; thence along CSAH 46 to CSAH 47, Dakota County; thence along CSAH 47 to U.S. Highway 61; thence along U.S. Highway 61 to U.S. Highway 10; thence along U.S. Highway 10 to the east boundary of the state; thence along the east boundary of the state to Lock and Dam 3 and Wakonade Drive; thence along Wakonade Drive to Sturgeon Lake Road, Goodhue County; thence along Sturgeon Lake Road to CSAH 18, Goodhue County; thence along CSAH 18 to U.S. Highway 61; thence along U.S. Highway 61 to the Cannon River; thence along the north bank of the Cannon River to its confluence with the Little Cannon River; thence along the west bank of the Little Cannon River to STH 19, Goodhue County; thence along STH 19 to U.S. Highway 52; thence along U.S. Highway 52 to STH 57; thence along STH 57 to CSAH 13, Dodge County; thence along CSAH 13 to STH 30, Dodge County; thence along STH 30 to U.S. Highway 63, Olmsted County; thence along U.S. Highway 63 to the point of beginning.

Subp. 5. **Permit area 504.** Permit area 504 consists of that portion of the state lying within the following described boundary:

Beginning at the intersection of the southern boundary of the state and State Trunk Highway (STH) 22; thence along the southern boundary of the state to the western boundary of the state; thence along the western boundary of the state to County State-Aid Highway (CSAH) 24, Lac qui Parle County; thence along CSAH 24 to U.S. Highway 75, Lac qui Parle County; thence along U.S. Highway 75 to CSAH 28, Lac qui Parle County; thence along CSAH 28 to STH 119; thence along STH 119 to STH 40; thence along STH 40 to CSAH 20, Lac qui Parle County; thence along CSAH 20 to CSAH 31, Lac qui Parle County; thence along CSAH 31 to U.S. Highway 212, Lac qui Parle County; thence along U.S. Highway 212 to CSAH 19, Lac qui Parle County; thence

11.1 along CSAH 19 to CSAH 8, Yellow Medicine County; thence along CSAH 8 to STH
11.2 67, Yellow Medicine County; thence along STH 67 to CSAH 43, Yellow Medicine
11.3 County; thence along CSAH 43 to STH 23, Yellow Medicine County; thence along
11.4 STH 23 to CSAH 2, Yellow Medicine County; thence along CSAH 2 to STH 67, Yellow
11.5 Medicine County; thence along STH 67 to CSAH 1, Yellow Medicine County; thence
11.6 along CSAH 1 to CSAH 9, Redwood County; thence along CSAH 9 to ~~STH 273~~ CSAH
11.7 7, Redwood County; thence along ~~STH 273~~ CSAH 7 to STH 19, Redwood County;
11.8 thence along STH 19 to STH 67, Redwood County; thence along STH 67 to STH 68;
11.9 thence along STH 68 to STH 4; thence along STH 4 to CSAH 24, Brown County;
11.10 thence along CSAH 24 to CSAH 11, Brown County; thence along CSAH 11 to CSAH
11.11 20, Brown County; thence along CSAH 20 to STH 257; thence along STH 257 to STH
11.12 15, Brown County; thence along STH 15 to ~~CSAH 19, Brown County; thence along~~
11.13 ~~CSAH 19 to CSAH 22, Blue Earth County; thence along CSAH 22 to CSAH 6, Blue~~
11.14 ~~Earth County; thence along CSAH 6 to STH 60; thence along STH 60 to STH 22;~~
11.15 ~~thence along STH 22~~ STH 60/STH 15, Watonwan County; thence along STH 60/STH
11.16 15 to STH 30/STH 15, Watonwan County; thence along STH 30/STH 15 to STH 30,
11.17 Watonwan County; thence along STH 30 to U.S. Highway 169/STH 30, Blue Earth
11.18 County; thence along U.S. Highway 169/STH 30 to STH 30, Blue Earth County; thence
11.19 along STH 30 to STH 22/STH 30, Blue Earth County; thence along STH 22/STH 30
11.20 to STH 30, Blue Earth County; thence along STH 30 to CSAH 3, Waseca County;
11.21 thence along CSAH 3 to CSAH 29, Faribault County; thence along CSAH 29 to STH
11.22 22; thence along STH 22 to the point of beginning.

11.23 Subp. 6. **Permit area 505.** Permit area 505 consists of that portion of the state lying
11.24 within the following described boundary:

11.25 Beginning at the intersection of the western boundary of the state and County State-Aid
11.26 Highway (CSAH) 24, Lac qui Parle County; thence along CSAH 24 to U.S. Highway
11.27 75, Lac qui Parle County; thence along U.S. Highway 75 to CSAH 28, Lac qui Parle
11.28 County; thence along CSAH 28 to State Trunk Highway (STH) 119; thence along STH
11.29 119 to STH 40; thence along STH 40 to CSAH 20, Lac qui Parle County; thence along
11.30 CSAH 20 to CSAH 31, Lac qui Parle County; thence along CSAH 31 to U.S. Highway
11.31 212; thence along U.S. Highway 212 to CSAH 19, Lac qui Parle County; thence along
11.32 CSAH 19 to CSAH 8, Yellow Medicine County; thence along CSAH 8 to STH 67,
11.33 Yellow Medicine County; thence along STH 67 to CSAH 43, Yellow Medicine County;
11.34 thence along CSAH 43 ~~to STH 23; thence along STH 23~~ to CSAH 2, Yellow Medicine
11.35 County; thence along CSAH 2 to 148th Avenue; thence along 148th Avenue to STH
11.36 67; thence along STH 67 to CSAH 1, Yellow Medicine County; thence along CSAH
11.37 1 to CSAH 9, Redwood County; thence along CSAH 9 to ~~STH 273~~ CSAH 7; thence
11.38 along ~~STH 273~~ CSAH 7 to STH 19, Redwood County; thence along STH 19 to STH
11.39 67, Redwood County; thence along STH 67 to STH 68, Redwood County; thence along

12.1 STH 68 to STH 4, Brown County; thence along STH 4 to CSAH 24, Brown County;
 12.2 thence along CSAH 24 to CSAH 11, Brown County; thence along CSAH 11 to CSAH
 12.3 20, Brown County; thence along CSAH 20 to STH 257, Brown County; thence along
 12.4 STH 257 to STH 15, Brown County; thence along STH 15 to ~~CSAH 19, Brown County;~~
 12.5 ~~thence along CSAH 19 to CSAH 22, Blue Earth County; thence along CSAH 22 to~~
 12.6 ~~CSAH 6, Blue Earth County; thence along CSAH 6~~ STH 60/STH 15, Watonwan
 12.7 County; thence along STH 60/STH 15 to STH 30/STH 15, Watonwan County; thence
 12.8 along STH 30/STH 15 to STH 30, Watonwan County; thence along STH 30 to U.S.
 12.9 Highway 169/STH 30, Blue Earth County; thence along U.S. Highway 169/STH 30
 12.10 to STH 30, Blue Earth County; thence along STH 30 to STH 22, Blue Earth County;
 12.11 thence along STH 22 to U.S. Highway 14/STH 60, Blue Earth County; thence along
 12.12 U.S. Highway 14/STH 60 to STH 60, Blue Earth County; thence along STH 60 to
 12.13 CSAH 26, Blue Earth County; thence along CSAH 26 to CSAH 15, Le Sueur County;
 12.14 thence along CSAH 15 to STH 99, Le Sueur County; thence along STH 99 to CSAH
 12.15 11, Le Sueur County; thence along CSAH 11 to CSAH 26, Le Sueur County; thence
 12.16 along CSAH 26 to CSAH 11, Le Sueur County; thence along CSAH 11 to STH 19, Le
 12.17 Sueur County; thence along STH 19 to Interstate Highway 35; thence along Interstate
 12.18 Highway 35 to CSAH 70, Dakota County; thence along CSAH 70 to CSAH 8, Scott
 12.19 County; thence along CSAH 8 to STH 13, Scott County; thence along STH 13 to STH
 12.20 282; thence along STH 282 to CSAH 9, Scott County; thence along CSAH 9 to Valley
 12.21 View Drive, Scott County; thence along Valley View Drive to 195th Street, Scott
 12.22 County; thence along 195th Street to the east boundary of the Minnesota Valley State
 12.23 Recreation Area; thence along the east and north boundary of said recreation area to
 12.24 the east bank of the Minnesota River; thence along the east bank of the Minnesota River
 12.25 to CSAH 45, Carver County; thence along CSAH 45 to CSAH 50, Carver County;
 12.26 thence along CSAH 50 to CSAH 43, Carver County; thence along CSAH 43 to CSAH
 12.27 11, Carver County; thence along CSAH 11 to STH 5; thence along STH 5 to ~~CSAH~~
 12.28 ~~30, Carver County; thence along CSAH 30~~ Island View Road; thence along Island
 12.29 View Road to CSAH 92, Hennepin County; thence along CSAH 92 to CSAH 6,
 12.30 Hennepin County; thence along CSAH 6 to CSAH 20, Carver County; thence along
 12.31 CSAH 20 to the east bank of the south fork of the Crow River; thence along the east
 12.32 bank of the south fork of the Crow River to STH 25; thence along STH 25 to STH 5;
 12.33 thence along STH 5 to U.S. Highway 212; thence along U.S. Highway 212 to STH 5;
 12.34 thence along STH 5 to CSAH 9, Sibley County; thence along CSAH 9 to CSAH 3,
 12.35 Nicollet County; thence along CSAH 3 to STH 22; thence along STH 22 to CSAH 1,
 12.36 Nicollet County; thence along CSAH 1 to STH 15; thence along STH 15 to STH 19;
 12.37 thence along STH 19 to STH 4; thence along STH 4 to CSAH 4, Renville County;
 12.38 thence along CSAH 4 to U.S. Highway 71; thence along U.S. Highway 71 to U.S.
 12.39 Highway 212; thence along U.S. Highway 212 to STH 23; thence along STH 23 to
 12.40 CSAH 4, Chippewa County; thence along CSAH 4 to STH 7; thence along STH 7 to
 12.41 STH 29; thence along STH 29 to STH 40; thence along STH 40 to STH 7; thence along

13.1 STH 7 to CSAH 25, Big Stone County; thence along CSAH 25 to CSAH 10, Big Stone
13.2 County; thence along CSAH 10 to CSAH 21, Big Stone County; thence along CSAH
13.3 21 to STH 28; thence along STH 28 to the western boundary of the state; thence along
13.4 the western boundary of the state to the point of beginning.

13.5 *[For text of subparts 7 and 8, see Minnesota Rules]*

13.6 Subp. 9. **Permit area 508.** Permit area 508 consists of that portion of the state lying
13.7 within the following described boundary:

13.8 Beginning at the intersection of U.S. Highway 71 and U.S. Highway 2 ~~and State Trunk~~
13.9 ~~Highway (STH) 371;~~ thence along U.S. Highway 2 71 to STH-6 State Trunk Highway
13.10 (STH) 72; thence along STH ~~6 to STH-200~~ 72 to the intersection of STH 72 and STH
13.11 11; thence due north to the northern boundary of the state; thence along ~~STH-200 to~~
13.12 ~~U.S. Highway 2;~~ thence along U.S. Highway 2 the northern boundary of the state to
13.13 the eastern boundary of the state; thence along the eastern boundary of the state to STH
13.14 95; thence along STH 95 to STH 23; thence along STH 23 to the Mississippi River;
13.15 thence along the east bank of the Mississippi River to the confluence with the Crow
13.16 Wing River; thence along the north bank of the Crow Wing River to County State-Aid
13.17 Highway (CSAH) 36, Cass County; thence westerly and northerly along CSAH 36 to
13.18 STH 210; thence along STH 210 to CSAH 18, Cass County; thence along CSAH 18
13.19 to CSAH 77, Cass County; thence along CSAH 77 to CSAH 15, Cass County; thence
13.20 along CSAH 15 to County Road (CR) 107, Cass County; thence along CR 107 to the
13.21 city limits of Lake Shore, Cass County; thence along the south, west, and north
13.22 boundaries of the city limits of Lake Shore to CSAH 29, Cass County; thence along
13.23 CSAH 29 to STH 371; thence along STH 371 to STH 200; thence along STH 200 to
13.24 STH 371; thence along STH 371 to U.S. Highway 2; thence along U.S. Highway 2 to
13.25 the point of beginning.

13.26 Subp. 10. **Permit area 509.** Permit area 509 consists of that portion of the state lying
13.27 within the following described boundary:

13.28 Beginning at the intersection of U.S. Highway 10 and the western boundary of the
13.29 state; thence along the western boundary of the state to the northern boundary of the
13.30 state; thence along the northern boundary of the state to ~~State Trunk Highway (STH)~~
13.31 ~~310;~~ thence along STH ~~310 to STH 89;~~ thence along STH 89 to County State-Aid
13.32 ~~Highway (CSAH) 54, Marshall County;~~ thence along CSAH 54 to a point due west of
13.33 ~~the northwestern corner of the Red Lake Indian Reservation;~~ thence east to said corner;
13.34 ~~thence along the west boundary of the Red Lake Indian Reservation to the west shore~~
13.35 ~~of the Sandy River, Clearwater County;~~ thence along the west shore of the Sandy River
13.36 ~~to Township Road (TR) 279th Avenue or Bailey's Road;~~ thence along TR 279th Avenue

~~or Bailey's Road south to TR Clover Road; thence along TR Clover Road to CSAH 11, Clearwater County; thence along CSAH 11 to CSAH 4, Clearwater County; thence along CSAH 4 to CSAH 14, Clearwater County; thence along CSAH 14 to CSAH 3, Clearwater County; thence along CSAH 3 to CSAH 17, Clearwater County; thence along CSAH 17~~ the point due north of the junction of State Trunk Highway (STH) 11 and 72; thence south to said junction; thence along STH 72 to U.S. Highway 71; thence along U.S. Highway 71 to U.S. Highway 2; thence along U.S. Highway 2 to STH 92; thence along STH 92 to County State-Aid Highway (CSAH) 27, Clearwater County; thence along CSAH 27 to the Mahnomen County line; thence along the Mahnomen County line to CSAH 3, Mahnomen County; thence along CSAH 3 the White Earth Indian Reservation boundary; thence along said boundary to STH 113; thence along STH 113 to CSAH 13, Mahnomen County; thence along CSAH 13 to CSAH 21, Becker County; thence along CSAH 21 to CSAH 132, Becker County; thence along CSAH 132 to CSAH 26, Becker County; thence along CSAH 26 to U.S. Highway 59; thence along U.S. Highway 59 to U.S. Highway 10; thence along U.S. Highway 10 to the point of beginning.

[For text of subparts 11 to 13, see Minnesota Rules]

6236.0900 SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR TAKING TURKEYS.

[For text of subparts 1 to 4, see Minnesota Rules]

Subp. 5. **Wildlife management areas open to taking turkeys.** Those portions of the Carlos Avery Wildlife Management Area posted with "Wildlife Sanctuary Do Not Trespass" signs that lie within an open turkey zone are ~~open~~ closed for the taking of turkeys during the spring turkey season.

[For text of subpart 6, see Minnesota Rules]

6236.1000 TURKEY REGISTRATION.

A person taking a turkey must register the turkey at a designated registration station or connect to the Department of Natural Resources' harvest registration system and follow the instructions to obtain a registration confirmation number within the time specified for that season. ~~The feathers, head, and feet~~ One leg or a fully feathered wing must remain on the turkey until it is registered. An unregistered turkey may not be possessed outside the wild

15.1 turkey permit area where taken unless it is being transported in a direct route to a registration
15.2 station. ~~Registration stations will be listed in materials provided to all licensees.~~

15.3 **6236.1060 TURKEY HUNT; LICENSE AVAILABILITY.**

15.4 The following wild turkey permit areas are open for the 2026 spring wild turkey season:
15.5 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, and 512.

15.6 **6237.0400 TAKING PRAIRIE CHICKENS.**

15.7 Subpart 1. **Open season and methods.** Prairie chickens may be taken during the
15.8 ~~five-day~~ nine-day period beginning on the last Saturday ~~nearest October 20~~ in September.

15.9 [For text of subparts 2 and 3, see Minnesota Rules]

15.10 Subp. 4. **Open areas.** Prairie chicken permit areas are open for the prairie chicken
15.11 season as prescribed by the commissioner. Prairie chicken licenses are valid only in the
15.12 prairie chicken permit area specified on the license. The following prairie chicken permit
15.13 areas, as described in part 6237.0550, are open: 803A, 804A, 805A, 806A, 807A, 808A,
15.14 809A, 810A, 811A, 812A, and 813A. A total of 125 licenses will be distributed.

15.15 [For text of subpart 5, see Minnesota Rules]

15.16 **6237.0550 PRAIRIE CHICKEN PERMIT AREA DESCRIPTION.**

15.17 [For text of subpart 1, see Minnesota Rules]

15.18 Subp. 2. [See repealer.]

15.19 Subp. 3. **Area 803A.** Prairie chicken permit area 803A consists of that portion of the
15.20 state lying within the following described boundary:

15.21 Beginning at the intersection of United States Highway (~~U.S.~~ US) 59 and ~~State Trunk~~
15.22 ~~Highway (STH) 32; thence along U.S. 59 to U.S. 2; thence along U.S. 2 to STH 32;~~
15.23 ~~thence along STH 32~~ Pennington County State-Aid Highway (CSAH) 3; thence along
15.24 US 59 to US 2; thence along US 2 to US 75; thence along US 75 to Polk CSAH 21;
15.25 thence along Polk CSAH 21 to Pennington CSAH 3; thence along Pennington CSAH
15.26 3 to the point of beginning.

[For text of subparts 4 to 11, see Minnesota Rules]

Subp. 12. Area 812A. Prairie chicken permit area 812A consists of that portion of the state lying within the following described boundary:

Beginning at the intersection of State Trunk Highway (STH) 32 and STH 113; thence along STH 113 to United States Highway (US) 59; thence along US 59 to US 10; thence along US 10 to STH 32; thence along STH 32 to the point of beginning.

Subp. 13. Area 813A. Prairie chicken permit area 813A consists of that portion of the state lying within the following described boundary:

Beginning at the intersection of State Trunk Highway (STH) 32 and Polk County State-Aid Highway (CSAH) 1; thence along CSAH 1 to United States Highway (US) 59; thence along US 59 to STH 113; thence along STH 113 to STH 32; thence along STH 32 to the point of beginning.

6240.2300 COMMON CROW SEASON.

Subpart 1. Open dates. Common crows may be taken from July 15 through October 15 and from March 1 through March 31 January 1 to 15, March 1 to 31, September 1 to October 31, and December 15 to 31.

[For text of subparts 2 to 4, see Minnesota Rules]

REPEALER. Minnesota Rules, parts 6236.0300, subparts 3 and 6; and 6237.0550, subpart 2, are repealed. The expedited emergency amendments to Minnesota Rules, parts 6230.0200, 6230.0290, 6236.0400, 6236.0700, 6236.0810, 6236.1000, and 6240.2300, published in the State Register, volume 49, page 899, January 27, 2025, are repealed.

EFFECTIVE PERIOD. The expedited emergency amendments to Minnesota Rules, parts 6230.0400, 6236.0300, 6236.0600, 6236.0900, and 6236.1060 expire July 1, 2026. After the expedited emergency amendments expire, the permanent rules again take effect, subject to any permanent rule amendments that have been adopted in the interim.