DEER PERMIT AREA 223 HUNTING INFORMATION

2024 Deer Hunting Information

Designation: Three-deer limit

Firearm Options: Shotgun using slugs,

muzzleloaders and handguns legal for big game

Special Regulations: N/A

Seasons:

Archery: Sept. 14 - Dec. 31

Youth: Oct. 17 - 20

Early Antlerless: Oct. 17 - 20

Firearm A: Nov. 9 - 17

Firearm B: N/A

Muzzleloader: Nov. 30 - Dec. 15

Late CWD Hunts: N/A

Land Cover Types	<u>% Tot.</u>	
Woody Cover	28	
Grassland and Wetlands	28	
Annual Row Crops	28	
Open Water	4	
Developed	11	

Total Land Area in 2023 (Non-water)

376 Sq. Mi.

Lands Open to Public Hunting

Publically Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.	
State Wildlife Management Area	6	
State Forest	8	
Misc. State Land	1	
County Managed Land	0	
USFWS Land (WPA and NWR)	0	
USFS Land (National Forest)	0	
Privately Owned Lands		
Forest Legacy/Forests for Future	0	
Walk-In Access	0	
Total for Public Hunting	15	

Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 223 contains a mix of great deer habitat interspersed with developed areas, especially in the eastern and western portions. The eastern two-thirds of the DPA has a strong oak forest/agricultural component with small and large wetlands/lakes scattered throughout. The western third of the DPA has a large amount of open agricultural land. DPA 223 has a strong firearms and archery deer hunting heritage, usually allowing for satisfactory deer herd management. More moderate-to-liberal deer season strategies are often selected due to the high recruitment potential of the deer population and areas of private land where deer hunting is not allowed. 2023 deer goal setting calls for a 25% decrease in deer populations.

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Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information
Optional CWD testing - https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/cwd/cwd-testing.html

2023 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 10 Hunter Success: 39%

2023 Deer Harvest

	Adult	Fawn	Adult	Fawn	Total
	Male	Male	Female	Female	
Firearms	787	158	436	98	1479
Archery	264	48	314	34	660
Muzzleloader	36	13	51	10	110
Total Harvest	1087	219	801	142	2249



