

State Park Deer Hunting Seasons and Harvest Limits

Limited Access: The following State Parks require that each hunter first obtain a \$3 Park Access Permit prior to hunting during the following seasons. Park Access Permits are available first come, first served starting at **Noon on Saturday, August 23** from any license vendor, online at *dnr.wi.gov*, or by phone. A State Park Sticker or pass is required for all vehicles in a state park.

State Park	Archery		Gun		Muzzleloader	
	Unit	Season Structure	Dates	Harvest Limit	Dates	Harvest Limit
Brunet Island State Park— Antlerless Deer Only	23A	Herd Control	Dec. 1–Jan. 4	One antlerless deer per valid, unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag with park access permit.	Nov. 22–Nov. 30 (Shotgun only)	One antlerless deer per valid, unused Antlerless deer Carcass Tag with park access permit.
Lake Wisconsin State Park— Antlerless Deer only	59E	Herd Control	NA	NA	Nov. 22–Nov. 30 (Shotgun only)	One antlerless deer per valid, unused Antlerless deer Carcass Tag with park access permit.
Council Grounds State Park	52A	Herd Control	Dec. 1–Jan. 4	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag with park access permit.	Nov. 22–Nov. 30 (Shotgun Season)	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag with park access permit. *
Rib Mountain State Park	57D	Herd Control	Dec. 1–Jan. 4	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag with park access permit.	NA	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag with park access permit. *
Perrot State Park	61A	Earn-a-Buck	NA	NA	Nov. 22–Nov. 30	EAB regulations apply (see page 22 & 26). *
High Cliff State Park	64A	Earn-a-Buck	NA	NA	Nov. 22–Nov. 30	EAB regulations apply (see page 22 & 26). *

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	Unit	Season Structure	Dates	Harvest Limit	Dates	Harvest Limit
Harrington Beach State Park	69C	Herd Control	Dec. 1–Jan. 4	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag with park access permit.	NA	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag with park access permit. *
Wildcat Mountain State Park	72A	Earn-a-Buck	Dec. 1–Jan. 4	EAB regulations apply (see page 22 & 26).	NA	EAB regulations apply (see page 22 & 26). *
Wyalusing State Park	73A	Earn-a-Buck	NA	NA	Nov. 22–Nov. 30	EAB regulations apply (see page 22 & 26).
Loew Lake Unit of Kettle Moraine State Forest	77D	Earn-a-Buck	See page 32	See page 32	NA	EAB regulations apply (see page 22 & 26). **
Kohler-Andrae State Park	77E	Herd Control	Dec. 1–Jan. 4	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag with park access permit.	NA	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag with park access permit. *
Peninsula State Park	80C	Earn-a-Buck	NA	NA	Nov. 22–Nov. 30	EAB regulations apply (see page 22 & 26). *

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** Scope restriction does not apply to muzzleloader hunting in Loew Lake Unit from November 22–November 30.

Unrestricted Access: A Park Access Permit is **NOT** required to hunt during the following seasons in the following State Parks, Trails and Forests. A State Park Sticker or pass is required for all vehicles in a state park.

State Park	Unit	Season Structure	Archery		Gun		Muzzleloader	
			Dates	Harvest Limit	Dates	Harvest Limit	Dates	Harvest Limit
Loew Lake Unit of Kettle Moraine State Forest	77D	Earn-a-Buck	Sept. 13–Nov. 20 & Dec. 1–Jan. 4	EAB regulations apply (see page 22 & 26).	NA	NA	See page 31	
Mill Bluff State Park		Earn-a-Buck	Oct. 15–Nov. 20 & Dec. 1–Jan. 4	EAB regulations apply (see page 22 & 26).	Nov. 22–Nov. 30	EAB Regulations apply (see page 22 & 26).	Dec. 1–Dec. 10	EAB Regulations apply (see page 22 & 26).*
Hartman Creek State Park		Earn-a-Buck	Dec. 1–Jan. 4	EAB regulations apply (see page 22 & 26).	Nov. 22–Nov. 30	EAB Regulations apply (see page 22 & 26).	NA	NA
Interstate State Park		Herd Control	Dec. 1–Jan. 4	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag.	Nov. 22–Nov. 30	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag.	NA	NA
Portion of the Elroy—Sparta State Trail located within DMU 54B		Earn-a-Buck	Dec. 1–Jan. 4	EAB regulations apply (see page 22 & 26).	Nov. 22–Nov. 30	EAB regulations apply (see page 23).	NA	NA
Remainder of the Elroy—Sparta State Trail		Herd Control	Dec. 1–Jan. 4	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag.	Nov. 22–Nov. 30	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag.	NA	NA
Kinnickinnic & Willow River State Parks		Earn-a-Buck	Dec. 1–Jan. 4	EAB regulations apply (see page 22 & 26).	Nov. 22–Nov. 30 (Shotgun Season)	EAB regulations apply (see page 22 & 26).	NA	NA

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State Park	Season Structure	Archery		Gun		Muzzleloader	
		Dates	Harvest Limit	Dates	Harvest Limit	Dates	Harvest Limit
Governor Thompson State Park	Regular	NA	NA	Nov. 22–Nov. 30	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag.	NA	NA
Buckhorn State Park	Herd Control	Sept. 13–Nov. 20 & Dec. 1–Jan. 4	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag.	NA	NA	NA	NA
Big Bay State Park	Herd Control	Oct. 15–Nov. 20 & Dec. 1–Jan. 4	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag.	Nov. 22–Nov. 30	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag.	NA	NA
Newport State Park	Earn-a-Buck	Dec. 1–Jan. 4	EAB regulations apply (see page 22 & 26).	Nov. 22–Nov. 30	EAB regulations apply (see page 22 & 26).	Dec. 1–Dec. 10	EAB regulations apply (see page 22 & 26).*
Rock Island State Park	Earn-a-Buck	Oct. 15–Nov. 20 & Dec. 1–Jan. 4	EAB regulations apply (see page 22 & 26).	Nov. 22–Nov. 30	EAB regulations apply (see page 22 & 26).	Dec. 1–Dec. 10	EAB regulations apply (see page 22 & 26).
Straight Lake State Park	Herd Control	NA	NA	Nov. 22–Nov. 30	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag.	Dec. 1–Dec. 10	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag. *
Tuscobia—Park Falls State Trail	Herd Control	Dec. 1–Jan. 4	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag.	Nov. 22–Nov. 30	One deer per valid, unused carcass tag.	NA	NA

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CWD Zone State Park Deer Hunting

No person may hunt deer in the State Parks listed below during the open deer hunting season in that park, without first obtaining a State Park Deer Hunting Permit Note: Permits and maps are available at the State Park office and all DNR Service Centers within the CWD Zone. **Vehicle Admission Stickers are still required.**

State Parks Within the CWD Management Zone						
Park	Archery		Gun		Muzzle loader	
	Dates	Harvest Limit	Dates	Harvest Limit	Dates	Harvest Limit
Belmont Mound, Mirror Lake, Natural Bridge (70F), Rocky Arbor, Cadiz Grounds, New Glarus Woods, Yellowstone (75B), and Devil's Lake State Parks.	Nov. 22 – Dec. 10	Unlimited EAB regulations apply	Oct. 16–19 (hunting hours end at 12 noon)	Antlerless Only	Dec. 1– Dec. 10	Unlimited EAB regulations apply.*
	Dec. 11–14	Antlerless Only	Nov. 22–30	Unlimited EAB regulations apply		
	Dec. 15–Jan. 4	Unlimited EAB regulations apply	Dec. 11–14	Antlerless Only		
Blue Mound (70D), Governor Dodge (70C), & Tower Hill State Parks	Oct. 16–19 (hunting hours end at 12 noon)	Antlerless Only	Oct. 16–19 (hunting hours end at 12 noon)	Antlerless Only	Dec. 1– Dec. 10	Unlimited EAB regulations apply.*
	Oct. 20– Dec. 10	Unlimited EAB regulations apply	Nov. 22–30	Unlimited EAB regulations apply		
	Dec. 11–14	Antlerless Only	Dec. 11–14	Antlerless Only		
	Dec. 15–Jan. 4	Unlimited EAB regulations apply				

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State-Owned & Managed Lands (Including State Forests)

It is illegal to:

- hunt or possess any firearm or bow in any wildlife refuge or possess any firearm, air gun, slingshot or bow in any state park, state fish hatchery, or within 100 yards of any state campground or picnic area (except as posted open to deer or small game hunting) unless it is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case, or in the case of a bow/crossbow, unstrung or enclosed within a carrying case.
- pursue, drive or chase animals on lands under the ownership or control of the DNR that are closed to hunting.
- build or use a ground blind or any elevated device on lands owned or under the control of the DNR unless it does not damage the tree and it is completely removed from the property each day at the close of hunting hours. This also includes lands enrolled in the Managed Forest Law (MFL) and Forest Crop Law (FCL) programs, however this does not apply to the owners of land enrolled in the program or those who have the landowner's authorization. All tree stands and ground blinds that are not occupied shall have the owner's customer ID number or name and address attached in a manner that is visible and legible to a person on the ground. **Note:** Ground blinds may be constructed entirely of dead vegetation found on the property and do not need to be removed from the property each day.
- **New in 2008**, it is illegal to use a ground blind on lands owned or under the control of the DNR during any open season or special hunt for hunting deer with firearms unless the outside of the blind displays a **minimum of 144 square inches** of material that is solid highly visible color commonly referred to as blaze orange, or florescent blaze orange, that is visible **360 degrees around the blind. Note: Blinds used for waterfowl hunting are exempt from this rule.**
- damage trees on state-owned lands including MFL and FCL lands.
- possess any loaded or uncased firearm or air gun while within the exterior boundary of state-owned lands posted with department signs in Dane, Dodge, Fond du Lac, Jefferson, Juneau, Kenosha, La Crosse, Milwaukee, Outagamie, Ozaukee, Racine, Sauk, Sheboygan, Walworth, Washington, Waukesha and Winnebago counties or on state forest lands in the Kettle Moraine or Point Beach state forests, state recreation areas or on state trails established on abandoned railroad grades, except as follows:
 1. while engaged in hunting in accordance with the open seasons listed in this pamphlet or the small game or migratory bird regulation pamphlets.
 2. while shooting at an established target range (this is the only target shooting permitted on state lands).
- operate any vehicle, including, but not limited to, snowmobiles, bicycles, trail bikes, and all terrain vehicles on lands owned or under the control of the DNR, except where their use is authorized by posted notice or permit or in the case of Managed Forest Law and Forest Crop Law lands, authorization of the landowner. This prohibition does not apply to public roadways and trails held open to the public for the type of vehicle being operated.
- camp on any state lands except in designated campgrounds unless a special camp registration permit is obtained from the DNR prior to setting up camp.