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Regulation Set	Regulation Set #0	Regulation Set #1
Zones	21, 23, 24, 34* , 43, 45, 46	4
Info	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any antlered deer taken in Zone 34 must have at least three antler points on one side of the rack. Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. No firearm deer hunting on Sunday. Limited Sunday bowhunting allowed; see page 30. For more details, see <i>Deer Hunting Regulations</i>, page 30. Note: Only one antlerless permit, per zone, may be purchased in each permit season. If a hunter purchases an antlerless permit for more than one zone in a season, the Antlered Buck Permit is valid for a ONE TIME USE in only ONE of the zones for which the hunter holds a permit. Properly licensed hunters are still limited to ONE antlered buck per season, regardless of the number of antlerless permits purchased. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. No firearm deer hunting on Sunday. Limited Sunday bowhunting allowed; see page 30. For more details, see <i>Deer Hunting Regulations</i>, page 30. Note: Only one antlerless permit, per zone, may be purchased in each permit season. If a hunter purchases an antlerless permit for more than one zone in a season, the Antlered Buck Permit is valid for a ONE TIME USE in only ONE of the zones for which the hunter holds a permit. Properly licensed hunters are still limited to ONE antlered buck per season, regardless of the number of antlerless permits purchased.
Fall Bow	Sept. 29–Oct. 26, 2012 Season bag limit is one antlerless deer—and only one antlered deer.	Sept. 29–Oct. 26, 2012 Season bag limit is two deer—only ONE may be antlered.
Youth Deer Hunt Days	Bow Only—Sept. 22, 2012 Firearms Only—Nov. 17, 2012 Season bag limit for either youth day is one deer of either sex for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm Season.	Bow Only—Sept. 22, 2012 Firearm Only—Nov. 17, 2012 Season bag limit for either youth day is one deer of either sex for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm Season.
Permit Bow	Oct. 27–Nov. 24, 2012 Season bag limit is one antlerless deer and one antlered deer if the Antlered Buck Bow Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Bow Permit then the bag limit is one antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)	Oct. 27–Nov. 24, 2012 Season bag limit is two deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Bow Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Bow Permit then the bag limit is two antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)
Permit Muzzleloader	Nov. 26, 27; Dec. 10, 11, 15–24, 26–31, 2012 Season bag limit is one antlerless deer and one antlered deer if the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit then the bag limit is one antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)	Nov. 26, 27; Dec. 10, 11, 15–24, 2012 Season bag limit is two deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit then the bag limit is two antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)
Six-day Firearm	Dec. 3–8, 2012 Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.	Dec. 3–8, 2012 Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.
Permit Shotgun Season	Dec. 12, 2012 Season bag limit is one deer. This deer may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit, or harvested two antlered deer during the Six-day Firearm Season, then the bag limit is one antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)	Dec. 12, 2012 Season bag limit is one deer. This deer may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit, or harvested two antlered deer during the Six-day Firearm Season, then the bag limit is one antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)
Winter Bow	Jan. 1–31, 2013 Season bag limit is one antlerless deer—and only one antlered deer.	Jan. 1–31, 2013 Season bag limit is two deer—only ONE may be antlered.

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Regulation Set	Regulation Set #2	Regulation Set #3
Zones	1, 3*, 18	22, 26, 30*, 55, 65
Info	<p>* Any antlered deer taken in Zone 3 must have at least three antler points on one side of the rack.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. No firearm deer hunting on Sunday. Limited Sunday bowhunting allowed; see page 30. • For more details, see <i>Deer Hunting Regulations</i>, page 30. • Note: Only one antlerless permit, per zone, may be purchased in each permit season. If a hunter purchases an antlerless permit for more than one zone in a season, the Antlered Buck Permit is valid for a ONE TIME USE in only ONE of the zones for which the hunter holds a permit. Properly licensed hunters are still limited to ONE antlered buck per season, regardless of the number of antlerless permits purchased. 	<p>* Any antlered deer taken in Zone 30 must have at least three antler points on one side of the rack.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. No firearm deer hunting on Sunday. Limited Sunday bowhunting allowed; see page 30. • For more details, see <i>Deer Hunting Regulations</i>, page 30. • Note: Only one antlerless permit, per zone, may be purchased in each permit season. If a hunter purchases an antlerless permit for more than one zone in a season, the Antlered Buck Permit is valid for a ONE TIME USE in only ONE of the zones for which the hunter holds a permit. Properly licensed hunters are still limited to ONE antlered buck per season, regardless of the number of antlerless permits purchased.
Fall Bow	<p>Sept. 29–Oct. 26, 2012 Season bag limit is two deer—only ONE may be antlered.</p>	<p>Sept. 29–Oct. 26, 2012 Season bag limit is two deer—only ONE may be antlered.</p>
Youth Deer Hunt Days	<p>Bow Only—Sept. 22, 2012 Firearm Only—Nov. 17, 2012 Season bag limit for either youth day is one deer of either sex for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm Season.</p>	<p>Bow Only—Sept. 22, 2012 Firearm Only—Nov. 17, 2012 Season bag limit for either youth day is one deer of either sex for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm Season.</p>
Permit Bow	<p>Oct. 27–Nov. 24, 2012 Season bag limit is two deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Bow Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Bow Permit then the bag limit is two antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>	<p>Oct. 27–Nov. 24, 2012 Season bag limit is two deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Bow Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Bow Permit then the bag limit is two antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>
Permit Muzzleloader	<p>Nov. 26, 27; Dec. 10, 11, 15–24, 26–31, 2012; Jan. 1–4, 2013 Season bag limit is two deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit, then the bag limit is two antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>	<p>Nov. 26, 27; Dec. 10, 11, 15–24, 26–31, 2012; Jan. 1–4, 2013 Season bag limit is two deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit, then the bag limit is two antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>
Six-day Firearm	<p>Dec. 3–8, 2012 Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.</p>	<p>Dec. 3–8, 2012 Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.</p>
Permit Shotgun Season	<p>Dec. 12, 2012 Season bag limit is one deer. This deer may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit or harvested two antlered deer during the Six-day firearm season, then the bag limit is one antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>	<p>Dec. 12–14, 2012 Season bag limit is two deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit or harvested two antlered deer during the Six-day firearm season, then the bag limit is two antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>
Winter Bow	<p>Jan. 1–31, 2013 Season bag limit is two deer—only ONE may be antlered.</p>	<p>Jan. 1–31, 2013 Season bag limit is two deer—only ONE may be antlered.</p>

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Regulation Set	Regulation Set #3A	Regulation Set #4
Zones	6	2, 16, 27*, 28*, 29*, 31*, 35*, 47*, 63*
Info	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. No firearm deer hunting on Sunday. Limited Sunday bowhunting allowed; see page 30. • For more details, see Deer Hunting Regulations, page 30. • Note: Only one antlerless permit, per zone, may be purchased in each permit season. If a hunter purchases an antlerless permit for more than one zone in a season, the Antlered Buck Permit is valid for a ONE TIME USE in only ONE of the zones for which the hunter holds a permit. Properly licensed hunters are still limited to ONE antlered buck per season, regardless of the number of antlerless permits purchased. 	<p>* Any antlered deer taken in Zone 27, 28, 29, 31, 35, 47 or 63 must have at least three antler points on one side of the rack.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. No firearm deer hunting on Sunday. Limited Sunday bowhunting allowed; see page 30. • For more details, see <i>Deer Hunting Regulations</i>, page 30. • Note: Only one antlerless permit, per zone, may be purchased in each permit season. If a hunter purchases an antlerless permit for more than one zone in a season, the Antlered Buck Permit is valid for a ONE TIME USE in only ONE of the zones for which the hunter holds a permit. Properly licensed hunters are still limited to ONE antlered buck per season, regardless of the number of antlerless permits purchased.
Fall Bow	<p>First deer must be antlerless (not required for youth hunters): Sept. 8–Sept. 28, 2012</p> <p>First deer may be antlered or antlerless: Sept. 29–Oct. 26, 2012</p> <p>Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.</p>	<p>First deer must be antlerless (not required for youth hunters): Sept. 8–28, 2012</p> <p>First deer may be antlered or antlerless: Sept. 29–Oct. 26, 2012</p> <p>Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.</p>
Youth Deer Hunt Days	<p>Bow Only—Sept. 22, 2012</p> <p>Firearm Only—Nov. 17, 2012</p> <p>Season bag limit is one deer of either sex for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm Season.</p>	<p>Bow Only—Sept. 22, 2012</p> <p>Firearm Only—Nov. 17, 2012</p> <p>Season bag limit for either youth day is one deer of either sex for any qualified youth hunter only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm seasons.</p>
Permit Bow	<p>Oct. 27–Nov. 24, 2012</p> <p>Season bag limit for either youth day is unlimited antlerless deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Bow Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Bow Permit then the bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>	<p>Oct. 27–Dec. 24, 26–31, 2012</p> <p>Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer. ONE antlered deer may be harvested if the Antlered Buck Bow Permit is purchased. (See Note above.)</p>
Permit Muzzleloader	<p>Nov. 26, 27; Dec. 10, 11, 15–24, 26–31, 2012; Jan. 1–4, 2013</p> <p>Season bag limit is two deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit, then the bag limit is two antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>	<p>Nov. 26, 27; Dec. 10, 11, 15–24, 26–31, 2012; Jan. 1–4, 2013</p> <p>Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer. ONE antlered deer may be harvested if the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit, then the bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>
Six-day Firearm	<p>Dec. 3–8, 2012</p> <p>Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.</p>	<p>Dec. 3–8, 2012</p> <p>Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.</p>
Permit Shotgun Season	<p>Dec. 12–14, 2012</p> <p>Season bag limit is two deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit or harvested two antlered deer during the Six-day firearm season, then the bag limit is two antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>	<p>Dec. 12–14, 2012; and Jan. 12–19, 2013</p> <p>Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer. ONE antlered deer may be harvested if the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter harvests two antlered deer during the Six-day Firearm Season, then the bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>
Winter Bow	<p>Jan. 1–31, 2013</p> <p>Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer—only ONE may be antlered.</p>	<p>Jan. 1–31, 2013</p> <p>Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.</p>

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Regulation Set	Regulation Set #6	Regulation Set #8
Zones	5, 17, 19, 25, 42, 48	7, 8, 9*, 10, 11, 12, 13*, 14, 15, 36, 41, 49, 50, 51
Info	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. No firearm deer hunting on Sundays. Limited Sunday bowhunting allowed; see page 30. • For more details, see <i>Deer Hunting Regulations</i>, page 30. • Note: Only one antlerless permit, per zone, may be purchased in each permit season. If a hunter purchases an antlerless permit for more than one zone in a season, the Antlered Buck Permit is valid for a ONE TIME USE in only ONE of the zones for which the hunter holds a permit. Properly licensed hunters are still limited to ONE antlered buck per season, regardless of the number of antlerless permits purchased. 	<p>* Any antlered deer taken in Zones 9 or 13 must have at least three antler points on one side of the rack.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. No firearm deer hunting on Sundays. Limited Sunday bowhunting allowed; see page 30. • For more details, see <i>Deer Hunting Regulations</i>, page 30. • Note: Only one antlerless permit, per zone, may be purchased in each permit season. If a hunter purchases an antlerless permit for more than one zone in a season, the Antlered Buck Permit is valid for a ONE TIME USE in only ONE of the zones for which the hunter holds a permit. Properly licensed hunters are still limited to ONE antlered buck per season, regardless of the number of antlerless permits purchased.
Fall Bow	<p>First deer must be antlerless (not required for youth hunters): Sept. 8–28, 2012</p> <p>First deer may be antlered or antlerless: Sept. 29–Oct. 26, 2012</p> <p>Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.</p>	<p>First deer must be antlerless (not required for youth hunters): Sept. 8–28, 2012</p> <p>First deer may be antlered or antlerless: Sept. 29–Oct. 26, 2012</p> <p>Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.</p>
Youth Deer Hunt Days	<p>Bow Only—Sept. 22, 2012</p> <p>Firearms Only—Nov. 17, 2012</p> <p>Season bag limit for either youth day is one deer of either sex for any qualified youth hunter only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm Season.</p>	<p>Bow Only—Sept. 22, 2012</p> <p>Firearms Only—Nov. 17, 2012</p> <p>Season bag limit for either youth day is one deer of either sex for any qualified youth hunter only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm Season.</p>
Permit Bow	<p>Oct. 27–Dec. 24, 26–31, 2012</p> <p>Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer. ONE antlered deer may be harvested if the Antlered Buck Bow Permit is purchased. (See Note above.)</p>	<p>Oct. 27–Dec. 24, 26–31, 2012</p> <p>Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer. ONE antlered deer may be harvested if the Antlered Buck Bow Permit is purchased. (See Note above.)</p>
Permit Muzzleloader	<p>Antlered or Antlerless: Nov. 26, 27; Dec. 10, 11, 15–24, 26–31, 2012; and Jan. 1–31, 2013</p> <p>Antlerless deer only: Dec. 3–8, 2012</p> <p>Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer. ONE antlered deer may be harvested if the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit, then the bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer only. Two deer may be taken at a time. (See Note above.)</p>	<p>Antlered or Antlerless: Nov. 26–27; Dec. 10, 11, 15–24, 26–31, 2012; and Jan. 1–Feb. 9, 2013</p> <p>Antlerless deer only: Nov. 28–30 and Dec. 3–8, 2012</p> <p>Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer. ONE antlered deer may be harvested if the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit, then the bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer only. Two deer may be taken at a time. (See Note above.)</p>
Six-day Firearm	<p>Dec. 3–8, 2012</p> <p>Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.</p>	<p>Dec. 3–8, 2012</p> <p>Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.</p>
Permit Shotgun Season	<p>Antlerless deer only: Dec. 3–8, 2012</p> <p>Antlered or Antlerless: Dec. 12–14, 2012; Jan. 5–31, 2013</p> <p>Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer. ONE antlered deer may be harvested if the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter harvests two antlered deer during the Six-day firearm Season, then the bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer only. Two deer may be taken at a time. (See Note above.)</p>	<p>Antlerless deer only: Nov. 28–30 and Dec. 3–8, 2012</p> <p>Antlered or Antlerless: Dec. 12–14, 2012; and Jan. 5–Feb. 9, 2013</p> <p>Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer. ONE antlered deer may be harvested if the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter harvests two antlered deer during the Six-day Firearm Season, then the bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer only. Two deer may be taken at a time. (See Note above.)</p>
Winter Bow	<p>Jan. 1–31, 2013</p> <p>Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.</p>	<p>Jan. 1–Feb. 16, 2013</p> <p>Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.</p>

Regulations in **red** are new this year.

Purple text indicates an important note.

- **Special areas include federal military installations, certain state and county parks and national wildlife refuges where hunter access is controlled.**
- **All state game laws and regulations apply to Special Areas.**
- **Only ONE antlered deer may be taken per permit season, statewide, regardless of the number of permits possessed.**
- **Due to homeland security measures and military actions, NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife cannot guarantee all military installations will be available or open to hunting throughout each deer season. Hunters are reminded that Fish and Wildlife has a “no refund – no exchange” policy for deer permits.**

Special Areas—County and State Parks

Atlantic County Park System (Zone 61)

Permits for Zone 61 will be available for sale on a first come, first served basis beginning 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 10, 2012. Permits will be available for sale until 11:59 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 30. Permits will be available for sale at all license agents and online over the Internet. The permit quotas for Zone 61 are as follows: 60 permits will be available for the Permit Bow Season, 60 permits will be available for the Permit Muzzleloader Season and 100 permits will be available for the Permit Muzzleloader Season.

Permit Bow Season: Oct. 27, 2012 to Jan. 31, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Bow Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. A total of 60 permits are available.

Permit Muzzleloader Season: Nov. 26, 27 and Dec. 10, 11, 15–24, 26–31, 2012 and Jan. 1–4, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. A total of 60 permits are available.

Six-day Firearm Season: Dec. 3–8, 2012; **Bag limit:** two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, they forfeit the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.

Permit Shotgun Season: Dec. 3–8 and 12–14, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. However, for hunters who harvest two antlered deer during the Six-day Firearm Season, the bag limit in the Permit Shotgun Season is restricted to unlimited antlerless deer only. A total of 100 permits are available.

Deer hunting is prohibited here all other times. The Atlantic County Park office is located at 6303 Old Harding Highway, Mays Landing, NJ 08330. All applicants must call (609) 625-8219 prior to the lottery for specific rules, restrictions and hunter orientation dates. Hunter orientation attendance is

required for Zone 61. The use of bait is prohibited in Zone 61.

Cheesequake State Park (Zone 50)

Designated areas of the park are open to deer hunting. Deer Management Zone 50 regulations apply. A free park access permit is required. A limited supply of permits will be available. Contact the park office at (732) 566-2161 or check the park website for details. Hunters must supply both their current hunting and driver's licenses.

Delaware and Raritan Canal State Park (Zone 11)

A portion of the Division of Parks and Forestry's My Ben tract of the Delaware and Raritan Canal State Park in Delaware Township in Hunterdon County is open for deer hunting. Zone 11 regulations apply. Call (609) 397-2949 for more information.

High Point State Park (Zone 67)

To hunt High Point State Park, hunters must purchase a Zone 67 permit from a license agent or via Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site. Permits are available over-the-counter on a first come, first served basis, beginning at 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 10, 2012. Permits will be available until the quota is met or the season ends, whichever occurs first. See *Deer Season Permits*, page 16.

Permit Muzzleloader Season: Permit Muzzleloader Season: Nov. 5–8 and 12–15, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. The hunter's first deer must be antlerless. Successful hunters may then harvest an antlered deer if in possession of an Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit. Any antlered deer taken in Zone 67 must have at least one antler with three antler points. A total of 350 permits are available.

Winter Bow Season: Jan. 1–31, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Any antlered deer taken in Zone 67 must have at least one antler with three antler points. **Only those portions of Zone 67 that are south and west of Rt. 23 will be open for the winter bow season.**

Deer hunting is prohibited in High Point at all other times. Hunters are not permitted in the park before 6 a.m. or after 6 p.m. Hunters must visit the park's website for details on the hunt, hunting maps and regulations at nj.gov/dep/parksandforests/parks/highpoint.html. The High Point State Park office is located at 1480 Rt. 23 South in Sussex. Call (973) 875-4800 for more information on park regulations before applying for a Zone 67 permit.

Hunterdon County Park System

Parks within the Hunterdon County Park System open to deer hunting require a park access permit. Applications are available at the Hunterdon County Arboretum, Rt. 31, Lebanon, NJ. Before hunting, call (908) 782-1158 for more information, or log onto co.hunterdon.nj.us and click on Parks and Recreation.

Mercer County Parks (Zone 41)

The Mercer County Park Commission operates a deer management program at Baldpate Mountain in Hopewell Township. Those interested in hunting at this park must apply for a county-issued permit. Hunting at Baldpate Mountain is allowed only on select days during the Permit Shotgun, Six-day Firearm and Permit Muzzleloader seasons. Additional county regulations apply. For more information call (609) 303-0706.

Middlesex County Park System

Portions of specified parks within the Middlesex County Park System are open to deer hunting. A park system permit is required. Call (732) 745-5988 for maps and more information.

Monmouth Battlefield State Park (Zone 64)

To hunt Monmouth Battlefield State Park, hunters must apply for a Zone 64 Permit. Permits for Zone 64 will be available for sale on a first come, first served basis beginning 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 10, 2012. Permits will be available for sale until 11:59 p.m. on Sat., Nov. 3. Permits will be available for sale at all license agents and online over the Internet. A total of 100 permits will be available for the Permit Shotgun Season. All hunters are required to complete and return a registration packet to Monmouth Battlefield State Park office prior to Dec. 1, 2012.

Permit Shotgun Season: Dec. 3–8, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 100 permits are available.

Six-day Firearm Season: Dec. 3–8, 2012; **Bag limit:** two antlered deer. Only one buck may be taken at a time.

Winter Bow Season: Jan. 1–Feb. 16, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

Deer hunting is prohibited at all other times. Hunters must comply with all state park regulations. Call (732) 462-9616 for more information on additional park regulations before applying for a Zone 64 permit.

Monmouth County Park System

Portions of specified parks within the Monmouth County Park System are open to deer hunting. A park system permit is required. Call (732) 842-4000 or visit monmouthcountyparks.com for maps and more information.

Morris County Park System

In accordance with the Park Commission's deer management program, designated areas of select parks are open for deer hunting on select dates during the Fall Bow, Permit Bow, Winter Bow, and Permit Shotgun seasons. A Park Commission access permit is required. Hunting is prohibited at all other times. All applicable zone regulations apply.

The Morris County Park Commission will supply additional information about hunting ➤

regulations and procedures to those hunters that are issued an access permit. Call (973) 326-7622 or visit MorrisParks.net/deer/ for information about permit applications.

Rancocas State Park (Zone 48)

Designated areas of the park are open to deer hunting during the Fall Bow, Permit Bow and Winter Bow seasons. Deer Management Zone 48 regulations apply. The park is closed to deer hunting at all other times. Before hunting in Rancocas State Park, call (609) 965-5220 for more information.

Round Valley Recreation Area (Zone 12)

Designated portions of the area are open to deer hunting during all or portions of the Fall Bow, Permit Bow, Six-day Firearm and Winter Bow seasons. Deer Management Zone 12 regulations apply. The area is closed to deer hunting at all other times. Any area administered by Round Valley, not located within Round Valley Recreation Area, is also available for hunting. Contact the Round Valley office for hunting information at (908) 236-6355.

Six-Mile Run Reservoir site, administered by D & R Canal State Park (Zone 14)

Designated areas of the park are open to deer hunting during the Fall Bow, Permit Bow and Winter Bow seasons. Deer Management Zone 14 regulations apply. The park is closed to deer hunting at all other times. Call the Delaware-Raritan Canal State Park (609) 924-5705 for more information and a detailed map before hunting in Six-Mile Run Reservoir site.

Spruce Run Recreation Area (Zone 7)

Designated portions of the area are open to bow-hunting for deer hunting, except not on Sundays, during the Fall Bow, Permit Bow and Winter Bow Seasons. Deer Management Zone 7 regulations apply. The area is closed to deer hunting at all other times. Hunters must use the boat launch parking lot. Call (908) 638-8572 for more information.

Washington Crossing State Park (Zone 41)

Designated areas of the park are open to deer hunting during the Fall Bow, Permit Bow and Winter Bow seasons. Deer Management Zone 41 regulations apply. The park is closed to deer hunting at all other times. Call (609) 737-0623 for more information.

Special Areas—Federal Installations (other than National Wildlife Refuges)

Earle Naval Weapons Station Depot (Zone 39 and Zone 40)

Not open to the general public. The following information is provided for civilian employees or military personnel assigned to the base. Hunters must purchase a Zone 39 and 40 permit from license agents or via Fish and Wildlife's Internet

license sales site. Permits are available over-the-counter on a first come, first served basis beginning at 10 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 10, 2012. Permits will be available until the quota is met or the season ends, whichever comes first. See *Deer Season Permits*, page 16. The hunter is responsible to confirm they have current authorization for access to Earle prior to purchasing a permit. Purchasing a deer permit for Zone 39 or 40 does NOT guarantee access to Earle Naval Weapons Station. Only those individuals who have authorization for hunting privileges and corresponding gate access on the installation are allowed to hunt. There are no refunds or exchanges for permits that cannot be used. Please contact Eric Helms at (732) 866-2337 for more information. Deer hunting is allowed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day in Zones 39 and 40.

In Zone 40, any antlered deer taken during all open seasons must have at least one antler with three antler points.

Fall Bow Season (Zone 39): Sept. 29–Oct. 26, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

Fall Bow Season (Zone 40): Sept. 8–Oct. 26, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. First deer must be antlerless from Sept. 8–Sept. 28, 2012.

Permit Bow Season (Zone 39): Oct. 27–Dec. 31, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Bow Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. A total of 110 permits are available.

Permit Bow Season (Zone 40): Oct. 27–Dec. 31, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Bow Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. A total of 80 permits are available.

Six-day Firearm Season (Zone 39): Dec. 3–8, 2012; **Bag limit:** two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, they forfeit the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.

Six-day Firearm Season (Zone 40): Closed.

Permit Muzzleloader (Zone 39): Nov. 26–Dec. 1, 10–31, 2012 and Jan. 1–31, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 100 permits are available.

Permit Muzzleloader Season (Zone 40): Nov. 3, 10, 12, 17, 19–21, 23 and 24, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 50 permits are available.

Permit Shotgun Season (Zone 39): Dec. 1, 3–8, 15, 22 and 29, 2012 and Jan. 5, 12, 19 and 26, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. However,

for hunters who harvest two deer during the Six-day Firearm Season, the bag limit in the Permit Shotgun Season is restricted to unlimited antlerless deer only. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 160 permits are available.

Permit Shotgun Season (Zone 40): Nov. 3, 10, 12, 17, 19–21, 23 and 24, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. However, for hunters who harvest two antlered deer during the Six-day Firearm Season, the bag limit in the Permit Shotgun Season is restricted to unlimited antlerless deer only. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 50 permits are available.

Winter Bow Season (Zone 39): Jan. 1–31, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

Winter Bow Season (Zone 40): Jan. 1–31, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

Federal Aviation Administration William J. Hughes Technical Center (Zone 66)

The Technical Center is open to deer hunting through a cooperative agreement between the FAATC, New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife, New Jersey State Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs (NJSFSC) and the United Bowhunters of New Jersey (UBNJ). Membership in either the NJSFSC or UBNJ is required to obtain access to the Technical Center for deer hunting. Hunters wishing to hunt Zone 66 must have approval from the administrative authority of FAA Technical Center (Zone 66) before purchasing a Zone 66 Permit. Call (609) 485-6938 for more information.

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Not open to the general public. **Hunters must purchase their Zone 66 permits from license agents or via Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site. Permits are available over-the-counter on a first-come, first-served basis beginning at 10 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 10, 2012, permits will be available for sale until the season ends or the permit quota is reached, whichever comes first. The hunter is responsible to confirm they have current authorization for access to FAATC prior to purchasing a permit.** Purchasing a deer permit for Zone 66 does NOT guarantee access to the Federal Aviation Administration Technical Center. **Only those individuals who have authorization for hunting privileges and corresponding gate access on the installation are allowed to hunt. There are no refunds or exchanges for permits that cannot be used.**

The use of bait is prohibited in Zone 66.

Fall Bow Season: Sept. 8–Oct. 26, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

Permit Bow Season: Oct. 27–Dec. 24 and Dec. 26–31, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Bow Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. A total of 80 permits are available.

Permit Muzzleloader Season: Nov. 24–Dec. 1, 7, 8, 2012 and Jan. 5, 12, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 15 permits are available.

Permit Shotgun Season: Nov. 24–Dec. 1, 7, 8, 2012 and Jan. 5, 12, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. However, for hunters who harvest two antlered deer during the Six-day Firearm Season, the **Bag limit** in the Permit Shotgun Season is restricted to unlimited antlerless deer only. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 65 permits are available.

Winter Bow Season: Jan. 1–31, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

Dix-McGuire section of Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, U.S. Air Force, that formerly consisted of Fort Dix Military Reservation (Zone 37)

Hunters must purchase a Zone 37 permit. Permits for Zone 37 will be available for sale on a first come, first served basis beginning 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 10, 2012. Permits will be available for sale until the season ends or the permit quota is reached, whichever comes first. Permits may be purchased at license agents or via Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site. The hunter is responsible to confirm they have current authorization for access to Dix-McGuire prior to purchasing a permit. Purchasing a deer permit for Zone 37 does NOT guarantee access. Only those individuals who have authorization for hunting privileges and

corresponding gate access on the installation are allowed to hunt. There are no refunds or exchanges for permits that cannot be used.

Hunters must comply with all Dix-McGuire regulations. Persons hunting on this post must sign in and out at Range 14 each day when hunting. Military training will take precedence over hunting. Call Range 14 at (609) 562-4676 on Wednesday/Friday 2 p.m. – 8 p.m. or Saturday/Sunday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. for more information and fee schedules. Deer hunting is not permitted on Christmas Day or New Year's Day in Zone 37.

Any antlered deer taken in Zone 37 during all open seasons must have at least one antler with three antler points.

Fall Bow Season: Sept. 29–Oct. 26, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

Permit Bow Season: Oct. 27–Dec. 24 and 26–31, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Bow Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. A total of 330 permits are available for Zone 37.

Six-day Firearm Season: Dec. 3–8, 2012; **Bag limit:** two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, they forfeit the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.

Permit Muzzleloader Season: Nov. 5–9 and Dec. 10–24, 26–31, 2012 and Jan. 7–12, 2013; **Bag limit:** two deer; one may be antlered only for hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit. A total of 480 permits are available for Zone 37.

Permit Shotgun Season: Dec. 28, 29 and 31, 2012; **Bag limit:** two deer, one may be antlered only for hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit. However, for hunters who harvest two antlered deer during the Six-day Firearm Season, the bag limit in the Permit Shotgun Season is restricted to two antlerless deer only. A total of 100 permits are available for Zone 37.

Winter Bow Season: Jan. 2–Feb. 16, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

Lakehurst section of Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, U.S. Air Force, that formerly consisted of Lakehurst Naval Air Engineering Station (Zone 53)

Hunters must purchase Zone 53 permits from license agents or via Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site. Permits are available over-the-counter on a first come, first served basis beginning at 10 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 10, 2012. Permits will be available until the quota is met or the season ends, whichever comes first. See *Deer Season Permits*, page 16. The hunter is responsible to confirm they have current authorization for access to the Lakehurst section prior to purchasing a permit. Purchasing a deer permit for Zone 53 does NOT guarantee access to the Lakehurst section. Only those individuals who have authorization for

hunting privileges and corresponding gate access on the installation are allowed to hunt. There are no refunds or exchanges for permits that cannot be used.

There is limited public hunting for hunters who are sponsored by current members of the Navy Lakehurst Rod and Gun Club. Military training will take precedence over hunting. Call (732) 323-2911 for more information. Deer hunting is not permitted on Christmas Day in Zone 53.

Fall Bow Season: Sept. 8–Oct. 26, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. First deer must be antlerless from Sept. 8–28, 2012.

Permit Bow Season: Oct. 27–Dec. 31 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Bow Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. A total of 100 permits are available.

Six-day Firearm Season: Dec. 3–8, 2012; **Bag limit:** two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, they forfeit the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.

Permit Muzzleloader Season: Nov. 24–Dec. 1, 10–24, 26–31, 2012 and Jan. 1–5, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. A total of 100 permits are available.

Permit Shotgun Season: Dec. 3–8, 12–14, 2012 and Jan. 5–12, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. However, for hunters who harvest two antlered deer during the Six-day Firearm Season, the bag limit in the Permit Shotgun Season is restricted to unlimited antlerless deer only. A total of 100 permits are available.

Winter Bow Season: Jan. 1–31, 2013; **Bag limit:** two deer—only one may be antlered.

Picatinny Arsenal (Zone 54)

Not open to the general public. The following information is provided for active duty or retired military personnel and Picatinny Arsenal federal civilian employees or retirees only. Contact Hans Karlsen at (973) 724-4484 for more information. Deer hunting is permitted on Christmas Day and New Year's Day in Zone 54, except on Sunday. There is no Sunday bow hunting allowed in Deer Management Zone 54.

Hunters must purchase a Zone 54 permit from license agents or via Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site. Permits are available on a first come first, serve basis, beginning at 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 10, 2012. Permits will be for sale until the season ends or the permit quota is reached. See *Deer Season Permits*, page 16. The hunter is responsible to confirm they have current authorization for access to Picatinny Arsenal prior to purchasing a permit. Purchasing a Zone 54 ▶

permit does NOT guarantee access to Picatinny Arsenal. Only those individuals who have authorization for hunting privileges and corresponding gate access on the installation are allowed to hunt. There are no refunds or exchanges for permits that can not be used.

Fall Bow Season: Sept. 29–Oct. 26, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and one antlered deer

Permit Bow Season: Oct. 27–Dec. 31, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Bow Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. A total of 50 permits are available.

Six-day Firearm Season: Dec. 3–8, 2012; **Bag limit:** two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, they forfeit the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.

Permit Muzzleloader Season: Nov. 26, 27, Dec. 10–31, 2012 and Jan. 1–5, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit may har-

vest ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 50 permits are available.

Permit Shotgun Season: Dec. 3–8, and 22, 2012 and Jan. 5, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. However, for hunters who harvest two antlered deer during the Six-day Firearm Season, the bag limit in the Permit Shotgun Season is restricted to unlimited antlerless deer only. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 50 permits are available.

Winter Bow Season: Jan. 1–31, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

Special Areas—U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Wildlife Refuge System

Special regulations for U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) lands are in effect throughout all authorized deer hunting seasons, in addition to state game laws and regulations. **NOTE: No Sunday bowhunting on national wildlife refuges.** The following federal regulations apply to all national wildlife refuges (NWRs) in New Jersey:

1. Hunting over bait or distributing bait is prohibited on all refuges.
2. The use of a spotlight or other artificial light—including automotive headlights—for the purpose of spotting, locating or taking any wildlife is prohibited on all refuges, regardless of whether one is in possession of a weapon.
3. All firearm hunters (muzzleloader and shotgun) must wear an outer garment consisting of at least **400 square inches of solid fluorescent orange** while deer hunting on any refuge (double the state law requirement).
4. Entry is prohibited on all refuge lands posted *Area Closed* and on refuge roadways posted with *Inholders Only* signs.
5. The use of nails, wire, screws or bolts to attach a stand to a tree, or hunting from a tree into which a metal object has been driven to support a hunter, is prohibited on all refuges.

Most refuges can accommodate individuals who have obtained a permit for handicapped hunters from New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife, including permits to hunt from vehicles. Interested

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persons should contact the appropriate refuge in advance of the deer hunting seasons.

Cape May NWR

Cape May NWR is open for all six deer seasons. Season dates and bag limits for Deer Management Zone 34 will apply. Contact the refuge office for more information at (609) 463-0994.

Edwin B. Forsythe NWR (Zones 56, 57, 58 and 70)

To hunt Edwin B. Forsythe NWR, hunters must possess the proper permits. **Permits for zones 56, 57, 58 and 70 will be available for sale on a first come, first served basis beginning 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 10, 2012. Permits will be available for sale until 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 30.** There are NO exceptions. Permits will be available for sale at all License Agents and online over the internet.

Only designated sections of the Edwin B. Forsythe NWR are open for deer hunting. All other areas are closed. Purchasing a Zone 22, 42 or 51 permit allows hunters to hunt only those designated areas. The entire refuge is closed for deer hunting during the Six-day Firearm Season.

The former Zone 58 is split into two hunt units. Zone 58 includes all refuge hunt areas in Ocean County north of Rt. 72. Zone 70 includes all refuge hunt areas in Ocean and Burlington counties south of Rt. 72 and north of the Mullica River. The refuge no longer requires hunters to come to the refuge for permit validation. Refuge parking permits and hunt maps will be issued to hunters by mail after the refuge receives notification of lottery deer permit holders from New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife. Deer management zone maps for all refuge hunt areas are also available at the E.B. Forsythe NWR headquarters, located in Oceanville, Galloway Township. The refuge headquarters is open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Hunt maps are also available on the refuge website. Not all refuge deer hunting zones are posted with National Wildlife Refuge property and boundary signs. It is the hunter's responsibility to know the zone boundaries.

The refuge encourages hunter feedback on your refuge hunting experience. For any questions, information or comments regarding refuge-specific hunting regulations or activities, call (609) 652-1665 or, from Ocean County, call (609) 294-0777 or contact the refuge at: forsythe@fws.gov. Visit the refuge website at fws.gov/northeast/forsythe.

Edwin B. Forsythe NWR (Zone 56) is open for deer hunting to properly licensed hunters as follows:

- **Permit Shotgun Season (Zone 56):** Dec. 10–14, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. However, for hunters who harvest two antlered deer—not on the refuge—during

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the Six-day Firearm Season, the bag limit in the Permit Shotgun Season is restricted to unlimited antlerless deer only. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 25 permits are available for Zone 56.

Edwin B. Forsythe NWR (Zone 57) is open for deer hunting to properly licensed hunters as follows:

- **Permit Bow Season (Zone 57):** Oct. 27 to Dec. 24, 26–31, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Bow Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. A total of 40 permits are available for Zone 57.
- **Permit Muzzleloader (Zone 57):** Nov. 26, 27 and Dec. 10, 11, 15–24, 26–31, 2012 and Jan. 1–4, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at a time. A total of 40 permits are available for Zone 57.
- **Permit Shotgun Season (Zone 57):** Dec. 3–8, 2012 are antlerless deer only. Antlered or antlerless: Dec. 12–14, 2012 and Jan. 5–31, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. However, for hunters who harvest two antlered deer—not on the refuge—during the Six-day Firearm Season, the bag limit in the Permit Shotgun Season is restricted to unlimited antlerless deer only. Two deer may be taken at a time. A total of 40 permits are available for Zone 57.

Edwin B. Forsythe NWR (Zone 58) is open for deer hunting to properly licensed hunters as follows:

- **Permit Bow Season (Zone 58):** Oct. 27 to Dec. 24, 26–31, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Bow Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. A total of 35 permits are available for Zone 58.
- **Permit Muzzleloader (Zone 58):** Nov. 26, 27 and Dec. 10, 11, 15–24, 26–31, 2012 and Jan. 1–11, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at a time. A total of 35 permits are available for Zone 58.
- **Permit Shotgun Season (Zone 58):** Nov. 28–30 and Dec. 3–8, 2012 are antlerless deer only. Antlered or antlerless: Dec. 12–14, 2012 and Jan. 5–12, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. However, for hunters who harvest two antlered deer—not on the refuge—during the Six-day Firearm Season, the bag limit in the Permit Shotgun Season is restricted to unlimited antlerless deer only. Two deer may be taken at a time. A total of 50 permits are available for Zone 58.

Edwin B. Forsythe NWR (Zone 70) is open for deer hunting to properly licensed hunters as follows:

- **Permit Bow Season (Zone 70):** Oct. 27 to Nov. 24, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Bow Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. A total of 15 permits are available for Zone 70.
- **Permit Muzzleloader (Zone 70):** Nov. 26, 27 and Dec. 10, 11, 15–24, 26–31, 2012 and Jan. 1–4, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. A total of 15 permits are available for Zone 70.
- **Permit Shotgun Season (Zone 70):** Dec. 12–14, 2012 and Jan. 12–19, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. However, for hunters who harvest two antlered deer—not on the refuge—during the Six-day Firearm Season, the bag limit in the Permit Shotgun Season is restricted to unlimited antlerless deer only. A total of 25 permits are available for Zone 70.

Zones 56, 57, 58 and 70 are closed to deer hunting at all other times.

Great Swamp NWR (Zone 38)

To hunt Great Swamp NWR, hunters must possess a Zone 38 permit. **Permits for Zone 38 will be available for sale beginning 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 10, 2012. Permits will be available for sale until 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 30.** There are NO exceptions. Permits will be available for sale at all license agents and online over the Internet.

The refuge is open only for Permit Muzzleloader and Permit Shotgun season hunting and closed to deer hunting at all other times. Hunters may apply only for either a Permit Muzzleloader or a Permit Shotgun permit, not both. In addition to the state permit, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will charge a \$26 fee (\$13 for holders of a Senior, Golden Age, or Golden Access Passport and youths with a valid 2012 New Jersey Youth hunting license) to issue a federal hunting permit. The refuge will supply additional information on hunt procedures and regulations to those hunters who obtain their Zone 38 permit from NJ Fish and Wildlife via the lottery. For more information, contact the refuge wildlife biologist at (973) 425-1222.

Great Swamp NWR (Zone 38) is open for deer hunting to properly licensed hunters as follows:

- **Permit Muzzleloader and Permit Shotgun Season (concurrent):** Nov. 3 and Nov. 7–10, 2012. On Nov. 3 (Saturday), hunting is only for youths who possess a valid 2012 New Jersey Youth hunting license and a Zone 38 permit. Youths must be accompanied by a licensed but non-hunting adult that is at least 21 years of age. **Bag limit: one deer**—either antlerless or antlered. Hunters must be in possession of the appropriate

Antlered Buck Permit before attempting to take an antlered deer. A total of 200 muzzleloader and 200 shotgun permits are available. The eastern side of the refuge (approximately 4,000 acres) will be open to muzzleloader hunting only and the western side of the refuge (approximately 3,700 acres) will be open to muzzleloader and shotgun hunting.

Supawna Meadows NWR (Zone 63)

Supawna Meadows NWR is open for Fall Bow, Youth Bow Day, Permit Bow and Winter Bow seasons ONLY! The use of firearms is prohibited on Supawna Meadows NWR. No refuge permit fee is required to hunt Supawna Meadows NWR. For more information, call (609) 463-0994.

Any antlered deer taken on Supawna Meadows NWR must have at least one antler with three or more antler points.

Supawna Meadows NWR is open for deer hunting to properly licensed hunters as follows:

- **Fall Bow Season:** Sept. 8–Oct. 26, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. First deer must be antlerless from Sept. 8 to Sept. 28, 2012. First deer may be antlered or antlerless from Sept. 29–Oct. 26, 2012.
- **Youth Day (Bow):** Sept. 22, 2012; **Bag limit:** one deer of either sex.
- **Permit Bow Season:** Oct. 27–Dec. 24, Dec. 26–31, 2012; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer. In addition, hunters who purchase an Antlered Buck Bow Permit may harvest ONE antlered deer. NOTE: Hunters MUST have a Zone 63 Permit Bow Season permit to hunt the Supawna Meadows NWR during the Permit Bow Season.
- **Winter Bow Season:** Jan. 1–31, 2013; **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.
- Supawna Meadows NWR is closed to deer hunting at all other times.

Wallkill River NWR (Zone 2)

Designated areas of the refuge are open during all six deer seasons. Season dates and bag limits for Zone 2 apply. An annual hunting map, additional regulations and a signed access permit from the refuge must be obtained prior to scouting or hunting. The access permit is \$20 (free for youth) and must be signed and carried at all times when hunting on refuge property. Visit our website at wallkillriver.fws.gov/hunting.htm, call (973) 702-7266 or write Wallkill River National Wildlife Refuge, 1547 County Rt. 565, Sussex, NJ 07461 for more information.

Special Areas—Other Public Lands

Bayside PSEG Tract (Zone 29)

Hunters interested in hunting this 4,500-acre PSEG property located in Greenwich Township, Cumberland County may visit www.pseg.com/environment/estuary or call (888) MARSHES for more information.

Driving of deer is prohibited on all PSEG lands. Season dates and bag limits for Zone 29 apply.

Horseshoe Bend Park (Zone 11)

Horseshoe Bend Park and adjacent state lands in Kingwood Township (Deer Management Zone 11) are open for limited deer hunting through a lottery system. Hunting in this park is prohibited at all other times. There is a non-refundable \$5 processing fee for each season permit. Contact the Kingwood Township Park Commission at (908) 996-4276 or go to www.kingwoodtownship.com/parks for more information, season dates, maps and hunter access details.

Lizard Tail Swamp (Zone 34)

This 400-acre property, jointly owned by New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife and The Nature Conservancy (TNC), is located in Middle Township, Cape May County. A TNC access permit is required. Call (609) 861-0600 for permit applications, maps and site-specific regulations. Season dates and bag limits for Zone 34 apply.

Newark Watershed (Zones 3 and 6)

The Newark Watershed, located in Morris, Passaic and Sussex counties, is open to deer hunting from September to December. A watershed access permit is required. Call (973) 622-4521 or (973) 697-2850 for access permit applications, maps and site-specific regulations. Season dates and bag limits for Zone 3 and Zone 6 apply.

Franklin Parker Preserve and Four Mile Spring Preserve (Zone 68)

Hunters must purchase Zone 68 permits from license agents or via Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site. Permits are available over-the-counter on a first come, first served basis beginning at 10 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 10, 2012. See *Deer Season Permits*, page 16. **The hunter is responsible to confirm they have current authorization for access prior to purchasing a permit.** The purchase of a deer permit for Zone 68 does NOT guarantee access to Zone 68. **There are no refunds or exchanges for permits that cannot be used.**

Franklin Parker Preserve and Four Mile Spring Preserve are managed by the New Jersey Conservation Foundation. Designated areas of these preserves are open to deer hunting. Contact the Foundation directly at (908) 234-1225 for more information.

Season dates and bag limits for Regulation Set #6 apply. 📞



Hunters Helping the Hungry Needs Help with Meat-processing Costs

Hunters Helping the Hungry, an organization that has enabled hunters to provide over one million servings of tasty and nutritious venison to feed New Jersey families since 1997, needs some help from the public to cover the costs of professional meat processing.

The program, which donated more than 29,300 pounds of venison to food banks and charitable organizations last year alone, operates with limited funding. Butchers who participate in the Hunters Helping the Hungry program receive \$65 to process the donated deer. Currently, hunters who donate deer to feed the hungry must contribute either \$10 (for field-dressed deer weighing 50 lbs. or more) or \$25 (for deer under 50 lbs.) toward that processing fee. If the program's funding runs out, hunters who donate deer will have to cover the entire cost for meat-processing.

Hunters should check on funding availability before harvesting a deer intended for donation by visiting the website below.

Anyone interested in making a charitable contribution to offset the program's meat-processing costs can visit our website at HuntersHelpingTheHungry.org to donate securely through PayPal or send a check payable to: Hunters Helping the Hungry, P.O. Box 587, Lebanon, NJ 08833.

Participating Butchers Include:

Game Butchers

John Person
Lebanon (908) 735-4646

57 West Deer Processing
Phillipsburg (908) 319-0984

Bishop's Market
Whitehouse Station (908) 534-9666

V. Roche and Sons
Whitehouse Station (908) 534-2006

The Hunter's Butcher
967 Route 524 (Adelphia near Howell)
(732) 414-1446

The Buck Stop, Stanley Mihalecz
989 Alvine Rd., Pittsgrove, Salem Co.
(856) 794-1281

Butchers will not accept donated deer during the Six-day Firearm Buck Season, from Dec. 3–8, so they can accommodate their regular customers.