

## State of New Jersey

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## SPECIAL WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT PERMIT

Permit Number: 193

Date: September 11, 2019

New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife has authorized properly licensed deer hunters to shoot free-ranging feral hogs (*Sus scrofa*), of either sex and any age, while deer hunting during the regular deer hunting seasons in Deer Management Zones (DMZ) 25 and 65, provided they have not reached the season bag limit for deer.

**Location of Operation**: Deer hunters may pursue feral hogs anywhere within DMZ 25 or DMZ 65. Included in these DMZs are the White Oak Branch Wildlife Management Area, the White Oak County Club golf course, and private farmlands and residential areas. Deer hunters pursuing hogs on private property must have written permission to access the property.

**Dates**: Feral hogs may be taken by deer hunters in **DMZ 25** during the fall bow season September 14 – October 25, 2019, permit bow season October 26 – December 24, 26-31, 2019 provided they have a DMZ 25 bow permit; during the six-day firearm season December 9-14, 2019, provided they have not reached the deer season bag limit; during the permit muzzleloader season December 2, 3, 16, 17, 21-24, 26-31, 2019 and January 1-31, 2020 provided they have a DMZ 25 muzzleloader permit; during the permit shotgun season December 18-20, 2019 and January 4-31, 2020 provided they have a DMZ 25 shotgun permit; and during the winter bow season January 1-31, 2020, provided they have a 2020 archery/all-around license.

Feral hogs may be taken by deer hunters in **DMZ 65** during the fall bow season September 28 – October 25, 2019, permit bow season October 26 – November 24, 2019 provided they have a DMZ 65 bow permit; during the six-day firearm season December 9-14, 2019, provided they have not reached the deer season bag limit; during the permit muzzleloader season December 2, 3, 16, 17, 21-24, 26-31, 2019 and January 1-11, 2020 provided they have a DMZ 65 muzzleloader permit; during the permit shotgun season December 18-20, 2019 provided they have a DMZ 65 shotgun permit; and during the winter bow season January 1-31, 2020, provided they have a 2020 archery/all-around license.

The shooting of hogs with a firearm is **permitted Monday through Saturday only**, during legal deer hunting hours. Archers may pursue feral hogs on Sundays during the fall bow, permit bow, and winter bow seasons, while pursuing deer on wildlife management areas and private properties only.

PHIL MURPHY Governor

SHEILA OLIVER Lt. Governor Bag Limit: There is no limit as to the gender or number of hogs that may be killed.

Only weapons authorized for deer hunting may be used to harvest feral hogs. Participating deer hunters must conform to all Federal, State, and local statutes, rules, codes, and ordinances pertaining to the discharge of firearms and bows. No loaded firearm or nocked arrow shall be possessed or discharged within 450 feet of a school or playground, no loaded firearm shall be possessed or discharged within 450 feet of a building and no nocked arrow shall be possessed or discharged within 150 feet of an occupied building unless the deer hunters has written authorization in hand from the owners or lessees of said building(s). The discharge of a firearm or arrow across any state, county or municipal road or highway is prohibited. Firearms and bows shall not be discharged from any vehicle.

Sportsmen who harvest a feral hog must call 908-735-6938 to schedule an appointment to check in their hogs. Feral hogs must be checked to be legally possessed.

Butchering and/or disposal of the carcasses by burial shall be the responsibility of the permittee. Deer hunters are advised that people can contract diseases from infected feral hogs. Plastic or rubber gloves should be worn while field-dressing feral hogs. Unwanted entrails should be burned, buried, or disposed of to prevent access by animals. Work surfaces and utensils used to field-dress and butcher hogs should be cleaned and disinfected to prevent the spread of disease. Feral hog meat should be thoroughly cooked before it is eaten.

NJDFW has determined that the issuance of a Special Wildlife Management Permit is warranted and within the guidelines of the 2017-18 Game Code, 7:25-5.32 Special Wildlife Management Permits.

Participating deer hunters agree to comply with all the terms contained in the permit. Failure to comply with any of the conditions or requirements of the permit or the provisions of the subchapter may be cause for revocation of the permit.

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