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## Department of Conservation

### Division 10—Conservation Commission

## Chapter 7—Wildlife Code: Hunting: Seasons, Methods, Limits

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3 CSR 10-7.405 General Provisions

PURPOSE: This rule requires any person engaged in hunting or pursuing wildlife to possess the prescribed permit.

(1) Any person while hunting or while using dogs or birds of prey in pursuit of wildlife in any manner, including training, shall have on his/her person the prescribed permit, temporary permit authorization number(s) or evidence of exemption. The temporary permit authorization number(s) and picture identification must be carried at all times while hunting until the actual permit(s) is received. Wildlife may not be held alive under hunting permits.

(2) There shall be no closed season or limits on house sparrows or European starlings.

(3) No person shall take or attempt to take any wildlife from or across a public roadway with a firearm, longbow or crossbow.

(4) Wildlife, except waterfowl, may not be pursued or taken while trapped or surrounded by floodwaters or while fleeing from floodwaters or fire.

(5) Wildlife, except raccoons or other fur-bearers animals when treet with the aid of dogs, may not be spotlighted, located, harassed or disturbed in any manner with the aid of an artificial light, headlight or spotlight from any roadway, whether public or private, or in any field, woodland or forest, by any person acting either singly or as one of a group of persons. This rule shall not apply to use of a light by a landowner or lessee as defined by this Code on property under his/her control.


3 CSR 10-7.410 Hunting Methods

PURPOSE: This rule prescribes the methods by which wildlife may be hunted.

(1) Wildlife may be hunted and taken only in accordance with the following:

(A) Motor Driven Air, Land or Water Conveyances. No person shall pursue, take, attempt to take, drive or molest wildlife from or with a motor-driven air, land or water conveyance at any time. Except as provided in 3 CSR 10-7.435, motor boats may be used if the motor has been completely shut off and its progress therefrom has ceased.

(B) Artificial Light. No person shall throw or cast the rays of a spotlight, headlight or other artificial light on any highway or roadway, whether public or private, or in any field, woodland or forest for the purpose of spotting, locating or attempting to take or hunt any game animal, except raccoons or other furbearing animals when treet with the aid of dogs, while having in possession or control, either singly or as one (1) of a group of persons, any firearm, bow or other implement whereby wildlife could be killed or taken.

(C) Night Vision Equipment. No person may possess or control night vision equipment while acting singly or as one (1) of a group of persons while in possession of any firearm, bow or other implement whereby wildlife could be killed.

(D) Dogs. Dogs may be used during the prescribed open seasons to chase, pursue or take wildlife except deer, turkey, mink, muskrat, beaver and river otter. All dogs used to hunt, chase or pursue wildlife shall wear a collar while hunting that contains the full name and address or complete telephone number of the owner, except this provision does not apply to dogs used by waterfowl and game bird hunters. Fur-bearing animals may not be chased, pursued or taken with dogs during daylight hours of the November portion of the firearms deer season in Bollinger, Butler, Carter, Dent, Iron, Madison, Oregon, Reynolds, Ripley, Shannon and Wayne counties.

(E) Dogs (Training). For training dogs, wildlife, except deer, turkey, mink, muskrat, river otter and beaver, may be chased, but not captured or killed. No person, acting singly or as one (1) of a group, may possess or use a firearm while training dogs during the closed seasons, except that a pistol with blank ammunition may be used during daylight hours only. Training dogs shall include any act of allowing dogs to chase wildlife or to teach dogs to hunt wildlife.

(F) Falconry. Birds of prey of designated types may be used to pursue and take wildlife within the specified seasons and bag limits. Birds of prey may be possessed or used only by holders of a falconry permit.

(G) Firearms. Firearms may be used to take wildlife except beaver, mink, muskrat, river otter, turtles and fish, during the open seasons, with the following limitations: For hunting game birds (except the crow), pistols, revolvers and rifles may not be used. Except for hunting deer, any shotgun having a capacity of more than three (3) shells must have the magazine cut off or plugged with a device incapable of removal through the loading end, so as to reduce the capacity to not more than three (3) shells in magazine and chamber combined. Fully automatic firearms are prohibited.

(H) Special Firearms Provision. During the November portion of the antlerless-only portion of the firearms deer season in deer management units open to deer hunting, other wildlife and feral hogs (any hog, including Russian and European wild boar, that is not conspicuously identified by ear tags or other forms of identification and is roaming freely upon public or private lands without the landowner’s permission) may be hunted only with a shotgun and shot not larger than No. 4, except that this provision does not apply to waterfowl hunters, trappers or to a landowner on his/her land or to a lessee on the land on which s/he resides.

(I) Bows. Longbows and crossbows may be used to take wildlife during the prescribed hunting seasons. Arrows and bolts containing any drug, poison, chemical or explosive are prohibited, but illuminated sights, scopes and quickpoint sights may be used. Hand-held string releasing mechanisms are permitted with longbows.

(J) Slingshot. Slingshots may be used to take wildlife except deer and turkeys during the prescribed hunting seasons.

(K) Cage-Type Trap. Rabbits and squirrels may be taken by cage-type trap, the opening of which may not exceed ten inches (10") on any side, during the open hunting season, at any time, by the holder of a hunting permit. Cage-type traps shall be plainly labeled on a durable material with the user’s full name and address and shall be attended daily.

(L) Electronic Calls. Electronic calls may be used during daylight hours only to pursue and take crows and fur-bearers.

(M) No person shall place or scatter grain or other food items in a manner that subjects any hunter to violation of baiting rules, as defined by federal regulations and in 3 CSR 10-7.435 and 3 CSR 10-7.455 of this Code.

(N) Wildlife Retrieval. Any person while hunting who kills or injures any wildlife shall make a reasonable search to retrieve the
wildlife and take it into his/her possession; however, this does not authorize trespass.

(0) Any properly licensed person having a physical disability that would prevent them from hunting or taking wildlife by methods prescribed in this chapter, may attempt to take wildlife from a stationary vehicle, or may hunt wildlife with a crossbow in lieu of a longbow, provided while hunting s/he carries an affidavit provided by the department and signed by a licensed physician which certifies the person has either a permanent or temporary disability which qualifies him/her to hunt with a crossbow and/or from a stationary vehicle. This disabled person shall provide a copy of the signed affidavit to the department within ten (10) days of receiving the exemption.

(P) Hunter Orange. During the youth-only, November, and antlerless-only portions of the firearms deer hunting season, all hunters shall wear a cap or hat, and a shirt, vest or coat having the outermost color commonly known as daylight fluorescent orange, blaze orange or hunter orange which shall be plainly visible from all sides while being worn. Camouflage orange garments do not meet this requirement. This requirement shall not apply to migratory game bird hunters, to hunters using archery methods while hunting within municipal boundaries where discharge of firearms is prohibited, to hunters on federal or state public hunting areas where deer hunting is restricted to archery methods, or to hunters in closed deer management units during the antlerless-only portion of the firearms deer hunting season.


Op. Atty. Gen. No. 57, Turner (11-6-69). It is within the authority of the Conservation Commission to promulgate rules regarding the method and manner taking all wildlife, including predatory animals.

3 CSR 10-7.411 Exemptions for Persons with Disabilities
(Rescinded March 1, 1999)


3 CSR 10-7.415 Quail: Seasons, Limits

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the open season and limits for quail hunting.

Quail may be taken from November 1 through January 15. Daily limit: eight (8) quail; possession limit: sixteen (16) quail.


3 CSR 10-7.420 Rabbits: Seasons, Limits

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the open season and limits for rabbit hunting.

(1) Cottontail and swamp rabbits may be taken between sunrise and sunset, from October 1 through February 15. Daily limit: six (6) rabbits; including no more than two (2) swamp rabbits; possession limit: twelve (12) rabbits; including no more than four (4) swamp rabbits.

(2) No jackrabbit shall be killed at any time except in accordance with 3 CSR 10-4.130.


Ruffed grouse may be taken from October 15 through January 15 in those parts of Boone, Callaway, Montgomery and Warren counties south of Interstate Highway 70, in that part of Macon County north of Highway 36, and in Adair, Carter, Crawford, Iron, Madison, Oregon, Putnam, Reynolds, Ripley, St. Genevieve, Shannon, Sullivan, Schuyler and Washington counties. Daily limit: two (2) ruffed grouse; possession limit: four (4) ruffed grouse.

3 CSR 10-7.425 Squirrels: Seasons, Limits

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the open season and limits for squirrel hunting.

Squirrels may be taken from the fourth Saturday in May through January 15. Daily limit: six (6) squirrels; possession limit: twelve (12) squirrels.


3 CSR 10-7.427 Groundhogs: Seasons, Limits

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the open season and limits for groundhog hunting.

Groundhogs (woodchucks) may be taken, possessed and sold in any numbers from the day following the prescribed spring turkey hunting season through December 15.


3 CSR 10-7.430 Pheasants: Seasons, Limits

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the open season and limits for pheasant and gray partridge hunting.

(1) Male pheasants may be taken from November 1 through January 15 north of U.S. Highway 36 from the Kansas line to the Illinois line, and those portions of DeKalb and Buchanan counties lying south of U.S. Highway 36, and all of Platte and St. Charles counties. Daily limit: two (2) male pheasants; possession limit: four (4) male pheasants.

(2) Male pheasants only may be taken from December 1 through December 12 in Dunklin, New Madrid, Pemiscot and Stoddard counties. Daily limit: one (1) male pheasant; possession limit: one (1) male pheasant.

(3) A foot or the fully feathered head must be left attached to all pheasants during transportation and storage.

(4) No pheasants may be in the immediate possession of persons while hunting other wildlife in counties or portions of counties closed to pheasant hunting.


3 CSR 10-7.435 Deer: Seasons, Methods, Limits

PURPOSE: Dates and limits for hunting deer in various parts of the state are established annually, based on the results of biological surveys. The goal is to provide recreational opportunities consistent with the maintenance or establishment of optimum numbers of deer. This rule establishes the open seasons and limits for deer hunting.

(1) General Provisions.

(A) For the purposes of this rule, deer shall mean white-tailed deer and mule deer and antlered deer shall mean a deer with at least one (1) antler not less than three inches (3") long. Deer may be pursued, taken, killed, possessed or transported only as permitted in this rule. Antlerless deer may only be taken in accordance with deer management unit regulations established for each unit. Deer management unit boundaries are defined in section 6 of this rule.

(B) Deer may be pursued or taken only from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise until one-half (1/2) hour after sunset.

(C) Deer shall not be taken while in any stream or other body of water, or from any boat with a motor attached. Deer may not be hunted, pursued or taken with the aid of dogs, bait, any motor driven land conveyance or aircraft at any time. While hunting or pursuing deer, dogs may not be used or possessed.

1. Bait shall mean grain or other feed placed or scattered so as to constitute an attraction or enticement to deer. Scents and minerals, including salt, are not regarded as bait. An area shall be considered baited for ten (10) days following complete removal of the bait.

(D) Any person who kills or injures any deer shall make a reasonable effort to retrieve the deer and include it in his/her season limit; however, this does not authorize trespass.

(E) During all portions of the firearms deer hunting season, all persons while deer hunting or while accompanying a person hunting deer on a Youth Deer and Turkey Hunting Permit shall wear a cap or hat, and a shirt, vest or coat having the outermost color commonly known as daylight fluorescent orange, blaze orange or hunter orange which shall be plainly visible from all sides while being worn. Camouflage orange garments do not meet this requirement. This requirement shall apply to all hunters during the youth-only, November, and antlerless-only portions of the firearms deer hunting season. The following are exceptions to this requirement.

1. This requirement shall not apply to migratory game bird hunters, to archery deer hunters during the muzzleloader and urban deer management portions, to all hunters during the antlerless-only portion in units 28–32 and 39–57, or to hunters using archery methods while hunting within municipal boundaries where discharge of firearms is prohibited or on federal or state public hunting areas where deer hunting is restricted to archery methods.

(F) Any person killing a deer shall properly tag it immediately with the transportation tag portion of the taker’s permit which shall remain attached to the carcass until it has been inspected and sealed at an established checking station except that selected persons shall check deer through the pilot Telecheck system. Persons reporting by the Telecheck system shall immediately record the Telecheck confirmation number on the transportation tag. Detaching the transportation tag from the permit prior to taking a deer renders the permit void. Resident landowners or lessees, as defined in this Code, who hunt deer as permitted in this rule without a permit issued by the department, shall tag any deer taken immediately with the full name and address of the taker and submit it for inspection as required in this rule. All deer taken shall be transported and possessed with head attached and only by the taker until such deer have been checked in accordance with established procedures.

(G) Deer taken during the youth-only, November, and antlerless-only portions of
the firearms deer hunting season shall be submitted with the transportation tag attached and with the prescribed deer hunting permit for inspection and registration in the county where taken or an adjoining open county between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Central Standard Time (CST) on the day taken. Deer taken during the muzzleloader and urban deer management portions of the firearms deer hunting season and the archery deer hunting season shall be submitted with the transportation tag attached and with the prescribed deer hunting permit for inspection and registration within twenty-four (24) hours of take at any established checking station. Persons reporting deer through the Telecheck system must do so within the open checking hours specified for the appropriate season portion.

(H) Notwithstanding any contrary provisions of other rules, deer checked in accordance with established procedures and registered with a locking seal or an issued Telecheck confirmation number may be transported, possessed and stored, and parts of properly checked deer when labeled with the full name, address and permit number of the taker, may be transported and possessed by any person. Locking seals placed on deer at established checking stations or transportation tags with Telecheck confirmation numbers shall remain attached to the deer carcass until the processor begins the act of processing the meat for packaging. Donations of commercially processed deer meat may be made to not-for-profit charitable organizations for distribution to underprivileged persons under administrative guidelines established by the director.

(1) Deer, except with written authorization of the director or as provided in 3 CSR 10-4.130 and 3 CSR 10-9.565, may not be hunted, pursued, or taken within any area enclosed by a fence greater than seven feet (7’) in height that would contain or restrict the free range of deer.

(2) Archery Deer Hunting Season. The archery deer hunting season dates are October 1, 2003 through January 15, 2004 excluding the November portion of the firearms deer hunting season.

(A) Deer may be taken as provided in section (1) by the holder of an archer’s hunting permit exclusively by longbow. Archers may take two (2) deer of either sex statewide, provided that only one (1) antlered deer may be taken prior to the November portion of the firearms deer hunting season. In addition, a resident or nonresident archer holding an archer’s hunting permit may obtain antlerless-only archery deer hunting permits in any number valid only in units 1-40, 45-52, 58, and 59 and may take one (1) antlerless deer on each permit. An archer, while in the act of pursuing or hunting deer during the archery season, shall not have a firearm on his/her person.

(B) A resident landowner or lessee, as defined in this Code, shall not be required to purchase archer’s hunting permits or antlerless-only archery deer hunting permits to hunt deer as prescribed in subsection (2)(A), on land s/he owns or, in the case of the lessee, upon which s/he resides, but s/he shall adhere to seasons, methods, units and limits prescribed. Nonresident landowners who qualify under this rule are eligible to purchase nonresident landowner archer’s hunting permits for use on qualifying land. A nonresident landowner also may purchase antlerless-only archery permits after obtaining a nonresident landowner archer’s hunting permit.

(3) Firearms Deer Hunting Season.

(A) The firearms deer hunting season is comprised of five (5) portions:

1. During the youth-only portion (November 1 through November 2, 2003), a Missouri resident who is at least six (6) but not older than fifteen (15) years of age and holding a valid firearms deer hunting permit may take one (1) deer of either sex in any unit as provided in this rule. Deer taken during this portion of the firearms deer hunting season must be included in the total firearms deer hunting season limits.

2. During the urban deer management portion (October 25 through October 26, 2003), a person holding a firearms deer hunting permit may take only antlerless deer in units 58 and 59 as provided in this rule. Deer may be taken only with a longbow, crossbow, or muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearm not capable of being loaded from the breech, not smaller than .40 caliber, and capable of firing only a single projectile at one (1) discharge.

3. During the November portion (November 15 through November 25, 2003), a person holding a firearms deer hunting permit may take deer as provided in this rule.

4. During the muzzleloader portion (November 28 through December 7, 2003), a person holding a firearms deer hunting permit may take deer as provided in this rule. Deer may be taken only with a muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearm not capable of being loaded from the breech, not smaller than .40 caliber, and capable of firing only a single projectile at one (1) discharge. A person, while in the act of pursuing or hunting deer on a firearms deer hunting permit during this portion of the firearms deer hunting season may have and use more than one (1) muzzle-loading or cap-and-ball firearm, but may have no other firearm, longbow or crossbow on his/her person.

5. During the antlerless-only portion (December 13 through December 21, 2003), a person holding a firearms deer hunting permit may take only antlerless deer in units 27, 33 through 38, 58 and 59 as provided in this rule.

(B) During the youth-only, November, and antlerless-only portions, deer may be taken with a shotgun not larger than 10-gauge; or with a muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearm not capable of being loaded from the breech, not smaller than .40 caliber, and capable of firing only a single projectile at one (1) discharge; or with any pistol, revolver or rifle firing centerfire ammunition propelling an expanding-type bullet; or with a longbow or crossbow. The possession of full hard metal case projectiles, ammunition propelling more than one (1) projectile at a single discharge and self-loading firearms having a capacity of more than eleven (11) cartridges in magazine and chamber combined are prohibited while pursuing deer.

(C) A person may take only one (1) antlered deer during the firearms deer hunting season. A person may take one (1) deer of either sex on a firearms any-deer hunting permit. A person may take one (1) additional antlerless deer on a firearms first bonus deer hunting permit and additional antlerless deer in any number on firearms second bonus deer hunting permits. As provided in 3 CSR 10-5.205, a person at least six (6) and under sixteen (16) years of age holding a youth deer and turkey hunting permit may take one (1) deer of either sex statewide during the firearms deer hunting season, except that only antlerless deer may be taken during the urban deer management and antlerless-only portions.

(D) During the November and antlerless-only portions, other wildlife may be hunted only with a shotgun and shot not larger than No. 4, except that this provision does not apply to waterfowl hunters, trappers or to a resident landowner on his/her land or to a lessee on the land on which s/he resides; provided that the holder of an unused firearms deer hunting permit and the prescribed hunting permit may take coyotes and, after the opening of the furbearer hunting season, furbearers as described in 3 CSR 10-7.450 by the methods prescribed for taking deer. Furbearers may not be chased, pursued or taken with the aid of dogs during the daylight hours from November 1 through November 25, 2003 statewide, and from December 13 through December 21, 2003 in units 1-27.
33–38, 58 and 59. Squirrels and rabbits may not be chased, pursued or taken with the aid of dogs during daylight hours of the November portion in Bollinger, Butler, Carter, Dent, Iron, Madison, Oregon, Reynolds, Ripley, Shannon and Wayne counties.

(E) In accordance with section 270.400 of Missouri Revised Statutes, feral hogs (any hog, including Russian and European wild boar, that is not conspicuously identified by ear tags or other forms of identification and is roaming freely upon public or private lands without the landowner’s permission) may be taken in any number during all portions of the firearms deer hunting season. During the youth-only and muzzleloader portions, feral hogs may be pursued and taken only by the holder of a valid, unused deer hunting permit or small game hunting permit by methods prescribed in Chapter 7 for taking wildlife. During the November and antlerless-only portions, feral hogs may be pursued and taken only with a shotgun and shot not larger than No. 4 by the holder of a small game hunting permit; provided that the holder of a valid, unused firearms deer hunting permit may pursue and take feral hogs by the methods prescribed for taking deer. Feral hogs may not be chased, pursued or taken with the aid of dogs during the November portion, and during the antlerless-only portion in deer management units open to deer hunting. During all portions of the firearms deer hunting season, feral hogs may not be pursued or taken with the aid of bait. Other restrictions may apply on public lands. Resident landowners or lessees as defined in this Code may take feral hogs on their own property at any time, by any method and without permit.

(F) A resident landowner or lessee, as defined in this Code, shall not be required to purchase a firearms deer hunting permit to hunt deer as prescribed in this rule, on any land s/he owns or, in the case of the lessee, upon land which s/he resides. Resident landowners or lessees who take deer under this privilege may also purchase and use firearms bonus deer hunting permits to take antlerless deer but s/he shall adhere to seasons, methods, units and limits prescribed.

(G) Resident landowners or corporate shareholders who qualify under subsection (4)(E) of this rule are eligible for firearms any-deer and bonus deer hunting permits at no cost. Nonresident landowners who qualify under subsection (4)(F) of this rule are eligible to purchase nonresident landowner firearms deer permits for use on qualifying land.

(4) Deer management unit boundaries are defined in section (6) of this rule. Hunting is permitted within deer management units as follows:

(A) Units 1–59:
1. During the youth-only portion of the firearms deer hunting season, one (1) deer of either sex may be taken statewide as provided in section (3) except that only antlerless deer may be taken on bonus permits. Deer taken during this portion of the firearms deer hunting season must be included in the total firearms deer hunting season limits.
2. During the November and muzzleloader portions of the firearms deer hunting season, one (1) deer of either sex may be taken statewide as provided in section (3). Bonus permit holders may take additional antlerless deer in the unit specified on the permits. Nonresidents may purchase first bonus and second bonus permits if available to residents in a deer management unit after first purchasing a nonresident firearms deer hunting permit.
(B) Units 1–27, 33–38, 58 and 59:
During the antlerless-only portion of the firearms deer hunting season, a person holding an any-deer and/or bonus permit(s) from any unit or holding a youth deer and turkey hunting permit may take antlerless deer.
(C) Units 58 and 59:
During the urban deer management portion of the firearms deer hunting season, a person holding a firearms deer hunting permit may take one (1) antlerless deer. Bonus deer permit holders may take additional antlerless deer in the unit specified on the permit. Resident landowners who own property within units 58 or 59 may take additional antlerless deer on their property without purchasing a permit as described in (3)(F) of this rule.
(D) A resident landowner or lessee of five (5) or more acres, may take one (1) deer on any lands/sea owns or, in the case of the lessee, upon land which s/he resides.
(E) Missouri residents can qualify to receive one (1) landowner firearms deer hunting permit and up to two (2) landowner bonus permits based on unit antlerless deer quotas. The minimum acreage required is seventy-five (75) acres in a single management unit or seventy-five (75) continuous acres divided by a unit boundary. Those who qualify are:
1. Landowners and members of the resident landowner’s immediate household whose legal residence and domicile is the same as the landowner’s for at least thirty (30) days last past.
2. Lessees who reside on the landowner’s property and/or their immediate household members.
3. Officers, four (4) or fewer, of resident or foreign corporations.
4. General partners, four (4) or fewer, of partnerships.
5. Officers or managing members, four (4) or fewer, of resident limited liability companies.
6. Officers, four (4) or fewer, of benevolent associations organized pursuant to Chapter 352 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.
7. Nonresident landowners who can qualify to purchase nonresident landowner deer and turkey hunting permits are:
1. Landowners of at least seventy-five (75) acres in one (1) continuous tract.
2. Members of the nonresident landowner’s immediate household whose legal residence and domicile is the same as the landowner’s for at least thirty (30) days last past.
3. Four (4) or fewer general partners of partnerships.
8. No person may receive more than one (1) landowner firearms deer and two (2) landowner bonus deer hunting permits for the firearms season. Persons may take up to three (3) deer on the landowner privilege depending on unit antlerless-deer quotas. No person make take more than one (1) antlered deer during the firearms deer hunting season.
9. Managed Deer Hunts.
(A) Additional deer may be taken on a managed deer hunting permit. A person may participate in only one (1) managed deer hunt in the prescribed permit year with the exception that disabled persons permanently confined to a wheelchair may participate in more than one (1) managed hunt. Managed deer hunts include:
1. On the fenced portion of Caney Mountain Conservation Area, one (1) deer of either sex may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from October 18 through October 20, 2003.
2. On the fenced portion of Peck Ranch Conservation Area, one (1) deer of either sex may be taken with longbow from October 4 through October 5, 2003; one (1) deer of either sex may be taken with modern firearms from October 25 through October 26, 2003; one (1) antlered deer may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from October 18 through October 19, 2003.
3. On Drury-Mincy Conservation Area, one (1) deer of either sex may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from October 25 through October 27, 2003.
4. On designated portions of Swan Lake National Wildlife Refuge, two (2) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from January 3 through January 4,
2004. An antlerless deer must be taken and registered prior to taking an antlered deer. Two (2) antlerless deer may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from January 10 through January 11, 2004.

5. On designated portions of Fort Leonard Wood, one (1) deer of either sex may be taken with historic weapons from December 20 through December 21, 2003.

6. On designated portions of Mingo National Wildlife Refuge, one (1) deer of either sex may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from January 3 through January 4, 2004.

7. On designated portions of August A. Busch Memorial Conservation Area, one (1) deer of either sex may be taken with longbow from October 1 through October 10, 2003, from October 13 through October 22 and from December 20 through December 31, 2003; one (1) deer of either sex may be taken with modern firearms from December 20 through December 31, 2003; one (1) deer of either sex may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from October 25 through October 26, 2003; one (1) antlerless deer may be taken with modern firearms from October 27 through October 28, 2003; one (1) antlerless deer may be taken with modern firearms from December 1 through December 18, 2003. An antlerless deer must be taken and registered prior to taking an antlered deer. Two (2) antlerless deer may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from December 20 through December 31, 2003; and one (1) deer of either sex may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from November 22 through November 24, 2003.

8. On Weldon Spring Conservation Area, one (1) deer of either sex may be taken with longbow from October 1 through October 10, 2003 from October 13 through October 22, 2003 from December 20 through December 31, 2003 and from January 3 through January 15, 2004; one (1) deer of either sex may be taken with modern firearms from October 25 through October 26, 2003 from November 17 through November 19, 2003 and from November 22 through November 24, 2003.

9. On designated portions of James A. Reed Memorial Wildlife Area, two (2) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with longbow from October 11 through October 19, 2003; and two (2) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from October 27 through October 31, 2003 and from November 10 through November 14, 2003. An antlerless deer must be taken and registered prior to taking an antlered deer.

10. On designated portions of U.S. Army Corps of Engineers project lands at Smithville Lake, three (3) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with modern firearms from November 22 through November 23, 2003 and two (2) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with modern firearms from January 17 through January 18, 2004. On designated portions of Truman Lake and Stockton Lake, two (2) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with modern firearms from November 8 through November 9, 2003. On designated portions of Clearwater Lake, two (2) deer, only one (1) of which may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from November 1 through November 2, 2003.

11. On designated portions of Whetstone Creek Conservation Area, three (3) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with modern firearms from November 17 through November 19, 2003. An antlerless deer must be taken and registered prior to taking an antlered deer. Two (2) antlerless deer may be taken with modern firearms from December 20 through December 21, 2003. Three (3) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with modern firearms from November 4 through November 5, 2003; and two (2) antlerless deer may be taken with longbow from November 26 through December 17, 2003.

12. On designated portions of Forest 44 Conservation Area, two (2) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with modern firearms from October 1 through October 14, 2003 and from December 1 through December 31, 2003; and two (2) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from November 17 through November 18, 2003 and from November 24 through November 25, 2003.

13. On designated portions of Squaw Creek National Wildlife Refuge, four (4) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from January 10 through January 12, 2004. Two (2) antlerless deer must be taken and registered before taking an antlered deer.

14. On designated portions of Burr Oak Woods Conservation Area, one (1) deer of either sex may be taken with longbow from November 10 through November 12, 2003; three (3) deer may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from December 1 through December 3, 2003 and from December 17 through December 19, 2003. An antlerless deer must be taken and registered prior to taking an antlered deer.

15. On designated portions of Shaw Nature Reserve, three (3) antlerless deer may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from December 6 through December 7, 2003.

16. On designated portions of Stockton State Park, and Cuvier River State Park, three (3) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with modern firearms from December 6 through December 7, 2003; on designated portions of Pershing State Park, three (3) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with modern firearms from December 6 through December 7, 2003; on designated portions of Watkins Mill State Park, three (3) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from December 6 through December 7, 2003; on designated portions of Rock Bridge State Park and Babler State Park, three (3) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from December 6 through December 7, 2003; on designated portions of Big Oak Tree State Park, three (3) antlerless deer may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from December 6 through December 7, 2003; on designated portions of Longwood State Park, three (3) antlerless deer may be taken with modern firearms from December 13 through December 14, 2003; on designated portions of Truman State Park, three (3) antlerless deer may be taken with modern firearms from January 10 through January 13, 2004. During the Watkins Mill State Park, Rock Bridge State Park, Babler State Park, Cuvier River State Park, Pershing State Park, and Stockton State Park managed hunts two (2) antlerless deer must be taken and registered before taking an antlered deer.

17. On designated portions of Jackson County’s Fleming Park, three (3) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from November 12 through November 14, 2003, December 1 through December 3, 2003, from December 10 through December 12, 2003, and from December 17 through December 19, 2003; on designated portions of Monkey Mountain, three (3) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from December 1 through December 3, 2003. During the Fleming Park and Monkey Mountain managed hunts, an antlerless deer must be taken and registered prior to taking an antlered deer.

18. On designated portions of Rockwoods Range, two (2) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with longbow from November 1 through November 30, 2003 and from December 1 through December 31, 2003.

19. On designated portions of Charles W. Green Conservation Area, one (1) deer of either sex may be taken with historic weapons or modern firearms on November 1, 2003, from November 8 through November 9, 2003.
2003, and from November 29 through November 30, 2003.

20. On designated portions of Pelican Island Natural Area, two (2) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from November 8 through November 10, 2003.

21. On designated portions of Prairie Fork Creek Conservation Area, three (3) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with modern firearms from November 17 through November 19, 2003 and and two (2) antlerless deer may be taken with modern firearms from December 20 through December 21, 2003.

22. On designated portions of St. Stanislaus Conservation Area, two (2) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with longbow from October 1 through November 18, 2003 and from November 22 through December 31, 2003.

23. On designated portions of Clarence Cannon National Wildlife Refuge, three (3) antlerless deer may be taken with modern firearms from January 3 through January 4, 2004.

24. On designated portions of the Big Spring Area of the Ozark National Scenic Riverways, three (3) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from January 10 through January 11, 2004. Two (2) antlerless deer must be taken and registered prior to taking an antlered deer.

25. On designated portions of Marais Temps Clair Conservation Area, one (1) deer of either sex may be taken with longbow from January 1 through January 15, 2004.

26. On designated portions of Otter Slough Conservation Area, one (1) antlerless deer may be taken with longbow from October 1 through October 14, 2003 and one (1) deer of either sex may be taken with longbow from January 1 through January 15, 2004.

27. On designated portions of Rockwoods Reservation two (2) deer, only one (1) of which may be antlered, may be taken with muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms from November 17 through November 18, 2003. An antlerless deer must be taken and registered prior to taking an antlered deer.

28. On designated portions of Columbia Bottom Conservation Area, one (1) deer of either sex may be taken with longbow from October 15 through November 14, 2003, from November 18 through December 14, 2003, and from December 18, 2003 through January 15, 2004.

(6) Deer management units are defined as follows:

(A) Unit 1—West of a line comprised of U.S. Hwy. 59 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 71; U.S. Hwy. 71 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 29; Interstate Hwy. 29 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 36; North of U.S. Hwy. 36 to junction with the Kansas line; East of a line comprised of the Kansas line to junction with the Nebraska line; the Nebraska line to junction with the Iowa line; and South of the Iowa line to junction with U.S. Hwy. 59.

(B) Unit 2—West of a line comprised of Worth County Hwy. H to junction with Mo. Hwy. 246; Mo. Hwy. 246 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 46; Mo. Hwy. 46 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 136; U.S. Hwy. 136 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 169; U.S. Hwy. 169 to junction with Gentry County Hwy. Z; Gentry County Hwy. Z to junction with Gentry County Hwy. A; and Gentry County Hwy. A to junction with DeKalb County Hwy. A; DeKalb County Hwy. A to junction with Mo. Hwy. 33; Mo. Hwy. 33 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 36; North of U.S. Hwy. 36 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 29; East of a line comprised of Interstate Hwy. 29 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 71; U.S. Hwy. 71 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 59; U.S. Hwy. 59 to junction with the Iowa line; and South of the Iowa line to junction with Worth County Hwy. H.

(C) Unit 3—West of U.S. Hwy. 65 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 36; North of U.S. Hwy. 36 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 33; East of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 33 to junction with DeKalb County Hwy. A; DeKalb County Hwy. A to junction with Gentry County Hwy. A; Gentry County Hwy. A to junction with Gentry County Hwy. Z; Gentry County Hwy. Z to junction with U.S. Hwy. 169; U.S. Hwy. 169 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 136; U.S. Hwy. 136 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 46; Mo. Hwy. 46 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 246; Mo. Hwy. 246 to junction with Worth County Hwy. H; Worth County Hwy. H to junction with the Iowa line; and South of the Iowa line to junction with U.S. Hwy. 65.

(D) Unit 4—West of Mo. Hwy. 129 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 36; North of U.S. Hwy. 36 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 65; East of U.S. Hwy. 65 to junction with the Iowa line; and South of the Iowa line to junction with Mo. Hwy. 129.

(E) Unit 5—West of U.S. Hwy. 63 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 36; North of U.S. Hwy. 36 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 129; East of Mo. Hwy. 129 to junction with the Iowa line; and South of the Iowa line to junction with U.S. Hwy. 63.

(F) Unit 6—West of Mo. Hwy. 15 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 36; North of U.S. Hwy. 36 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 63; East of U.S. Hwy. 63 to junction with the Iowa line; and South of the Iowa line to junction with Mo. Hwy. 15.

(G) Unit 7—West of the Illinois line to junction with U.S. Hwy. 36; North of U.S. Hwy. 36 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 15; East of Mo. Hwy. 15 to junction with the Iowa line; and South and West of the Iowa line to junction with the Illinois line.

(H) Unit 8—West of a line comprised of Interstate Hwy. 29 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 169; U.S. Hwy. 169 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 116; North of Mo. Hwy. 116 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 59; West and North of U.S. Hwy. 59 to junction with the Kansas line; East of the Kansas line to junction with U.S. Hwy. 36; and South of U.S. Hwy. 36 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 29.

(I) Unit 9—West and North of a line comprised of U.S. Hwy. 69 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 116; North of Mo. Hwy. 116 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 169; U.S. Hwy. 169 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 29; Interstate Hwy. 29 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 36; and South of U.S. Hwy. 36 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 69.

(J) Unit 10—West of a line comprised of U.S. Hwy. 65 to junction with the Grand River; the Grand River to junction with U.S. Hwy. 24; U.S. Hwy. 24 to junction with the Missouri River; North of the Missouri River to junction with the Clay County line; East of the Clay County line to junction with Mo. Hwy. 10; North of Mo. Hwy. 10 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 69; U.S. Hwy. 69 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 36; and South of U.S. Hwy. 36 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 65.

(K) Unit 11—West of U.S. Hwy. 65 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 70; North of Interstate Hwy. 70 to junction with the Jackson County line; East of the Jackson County line to junction with the Missouri River; and South of the Missouri River to junction with U.S. Hwy. 65.

(L) Unit 12—West of U.S. Hwy. 63 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 24; North of U.S. Hwy. 24 to junction with the Grand River; East of a line comprised of the Grand River to junction with U.S. Hwy. 65; U.S. Hwy. 65 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 36; and South of U.S. Hwy. 36 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 63.

(M) Unit 13—West of U.S. Hwy. 63 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 70; North of Interstate Hwy. 70 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 65; East of U.S. Hwy. 65 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 24; and South of U.S. Hwy. 24 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 63.

(N) Unit 14—West of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 15 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 54; U.S. Hwy. 54 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 70; North of Interstate Hwy. 70 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 63; East of U.S. Hwy. 63 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 36; and South of U.S. Hwy. 36 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 15.
of U.S. Hwy. 36 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 15.

(O) Unit 15—West of a line comprised of U.S. Hwy. 61 to junction with Pike County Hwy. B; Pike County Hwy. B to junction with Pike County Hwy. C; Pike County Hwy. C to junction with Ralls County Hwy. F; Ralls County Hwy. F to junction with Audrain County Hwy. F; Audrain County Hwy. F to junction with U.S. Hwy. 54; North of U.S. Hwy. 54 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 15; East of Mo. Hwy. 15 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 36; and South of U.S. Hwy. 36 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 61.

(P) Unit 16—West of U.S. Hwy. 61 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 70; North of Interstate Hwy. 70 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 54; East and South of U.S. Hwy. 54 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 61.

(Q) Unit 17—West and South of the Illinois line to junction with St. Charles County and St. Louis County border; North and West of St. Charles County and St. Louis County border to junction with Interstate Hwy. 70; North of Interstate Hwy. 70 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 61; East of a line comprised of U.S. Hwy. 61 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 54; U.S. Hwy. 54 to junction with Audrain County Hwy. F; Audrain County Hwy. F to junction with Ralls County Hwy. F; Ralls County Hwy. F to junction with Pike County Hwy. C; Pike County Hwy. C to junction with Pike County Hwy. B; Pike County Hwy. B to junction with U.S. Hwy. 61; U.S. Hwy. 61 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 36; and South of U.S. Hwy. 36 to junction with the Illinois line.

(R) Unit 18—West of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 131 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 2; Mo. Hwy. 2 to junction with Johnson County Hwy. B; Johnson County Hwy. B to junction with Henry County Hwy. B; Henry County Hwy. B to junction with Mo. Hwy. 7; Mo. Hwy. 7 to junction with Henry County Hwy. K; Henry County Hwy. K to junction with Henry County Hwy. H; Henry County Hwy. H to junction with Henry County Hwy. KK; Henry County Hwy. KK to junction with St. Clair County Hwy. KK; St. Clair County Hwy. KK to junction with Mo. Hwy. 131.

(S) Unit 19—West and North of a line comprised of U.S. Hwy. 65 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 52; Mo. Hwy. 52 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 13; Mo. Hwy. 13 to junction with St. Clair County Hwy. A; North of a line comprised of St. Clair County Hwy. A to junction with Mo. Hwy. 52; Mo. Hwy. 52 to junction with St. Clair County Hwy. KK; East of a line comprised of St. Clair County Hwy. KK to junction with Henry County Hwy. KK; Henry County Hwy. KK to junction with Henry County Hwy. H; Henry County Hwy. H to junction with Henry County Hwy. K; Henry County Hwy. K to junction with Mo. Hwy. 7; Mo. Hwy. 7 to junction with Henry County Hwy. B; Henry County Hwy. B to junction with Johnson County Hwy. B; Johnson County Hwy. B to junction with Mo. Hwy. 2; Mo. Hwy. 2 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 131; Mo. Hwy. 131 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 70; South of Interstate Hwy. 70 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 65.

(T) Unit 20—West of a line comprised of the Missouri River to junction with U.S. Hwy. 63; U.S. Hwy. 63 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 50; North of U.S. Hwy. 50 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 65; East of U.S. Hwy. 65 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 70; South of Interstate Hwy. 70 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 65.

(U) Unit 21—West of U.S. Hwy. 54 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 52; North of Mo. Hwy. 52 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 65; East of U.S. Hwy. 65 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 50; and South of U.S. Hwy. 50 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 54.

(V) Unit 22—West of U.S. Hwy. 54 to junction with the Missouri River; North and East of the Missouri River to junction with Interstate Hwy. 70; and South of Interstate Hwy. 70 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 54.

(W) Unit 23—West of Mo. Hwy. 19 to junction with the Missouri River; North of the Missouri River to junction with U.S. Hwy. 54; East of U.S. Hwy. 54 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 70; and South of Interstate Hwy. 70 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 19.

(X) Unit 24—West and North of the Missouri River including Howell Island to junction with Mo. Hwy. 19; East of Mo. Hwy. 19 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 70; and South of Interstate Hwy. 70 to junction with the Missouri River.

(Y) Unit 25—West of Mo. Hwy. 13 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 54; North of U.S. Hwy. 54 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 71; East of U.S. Hwy. 71 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 52; and South of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 52 to junction with St. Clair County Hwy. A; St. Clair County Hwy. A to junction with Mo. Hwy. 13.

(Z) Unit 26—West of U.S. Hwy. 65 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 54; North of U.S. Hwy. 54 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 13; East of Mo. Hwy. 13 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 52; and South of Mo. Hwy. 52 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 65.

(AA) Unit 27—West and North of U.S. Hwy. 54 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 65; East of U.S. Hwy. 65 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 52; and South of Mo. Hwy. 52 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 54.

(BB) Unit 28—West of U.S. Hwy. 63 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 44; North of Interstate Hwy. 44 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 5; East of Mo. Hwy. 5 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 54; and South of U.S. Hwy. 54 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 63.

(CC) Unit 29—West of Mo. Hwy. 19 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 44; North of Interstate Hwy. 44 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 63; East of U.S. Hwy. 63 to junction with the Missouri River; and South of the Missouri River to junction with Mo. Hwy. 19.

(DD) Unit 30—West of a line comprised of the Franklin County and St. Louis County border to junction with Interstate Hwy. 44; North of Interstate Hwy. 44 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 19; East of Mo. Hwy. 19 to junction with the Missouri River; and South of a line comprised of the Missouri River to junction with the Franklin County and St. Louis County border.

(EE) Unit 31—West of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 21 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 8; Mo. Hwy. 8 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 185; North and East of Mo. Hwy. 185 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 44; East and South of a line comprised of Interstate Hwy. 44 to junction with the Franklin County and St. Louis County border; West of the Franklin County and St. Louis County border to the Jefferson County and St. Louis County border; and South of the Jefferson County and St. Louis County border to junction with Mo. Hwy. 21.

(FF) Unit 32—West of the Illinois line to junction with Ste. Genevieve County Hwy. U; North of a line comprised of Ste. Genevieve County Hwy. U to junction with U.S. Hwy. 61; U.S. Hwy. 61 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 32; Mo. Hwy. 32 to junction with Business U.S. Hwy. 67; Business U.S. Hwy. 67 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 8; Mo. Hwy. 8 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 21; East of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 21 to junction with the Jefferson County and St. Louis County border; and South of Jefferson County and St. Louis County border to junction with the Illinois line.
(GG) Unit 33—West of a line comprised of U.S. Hwy. 71 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 54; U.S. Hwy. 54 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 32; Mo. Hwy. 32 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 97; Mo. Hwy. 97 to junction with Cedar County Hwy. C; Cedar County Hwy. C to junction with Barton County Hwy. C; Barton County Hwy. C to junction with Barton County Hwy. F; Barton County Hwy. F to junction with U.S. Hwy. 160; U.S. Hwy. 160 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 126; North of Mo. Hwy. 126 to junction with the Kansas line; East of the Kansas line to junction with Mo. Hwy. 52; and South of Mo. Hwy. 52 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 71.

(HH) Unit 34—West of Mo. Hwy. 13 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 44; North of a line comprised of Interstate Hwy. 44 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 160; U.S. Hwy. 160 to junction with Barton County Hwy. F; East of a line comprised of Barton County Hwy. F to junction with Barton County Hwy. C; Barton County Hwy. C to junction with Cedar County Hwy. C; Cedar County Hwy. C to junction with Mo. Hwy. 97; Mo. Hwy. 97 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 32; Mo. Hwy. 32 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 54; and South of U.S. Hwy. 54 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 13.

(I) Unit 35—West and North of Interstate Hwy. 44 to junction with the Oklahoma line; East of a line comprised of the Oklahoma line to junction with the Kansas line; the Kansas line to junction with Mo. Hwy. 126; and South of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 126 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 160; U.S. Hwy. 160 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 44.

(J) Unit 36—West of Mo. Hwy. 5 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 32; North of Mo. Hwy. 32 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 13; East of Mo. Hwy. 13 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 54; and South of U.S. Hwy. 54 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 5.

(KK) Unit 37—West and North of Interstate Hwy. 44 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 13; East of Mo. Hwy. 13 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 32; and South of Mo. Hwy. 32 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 44.

(LL) Unit 38—West of a line comprised of the Gasconade River to junction with Mo. Hwy. 32; Mo. Hwy. 32 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 95; Mo. Hwy. 95 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 60; North of U.S. Hwy. 60 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 65; and East and South of a line comprised of U.S. Hwy. 65 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 44; Interstate Hwy. 44 to junction with the Gasconade River.

(MM) Unit 39—West of Mo. Hwy. 68 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 32; North of Mo. Hwy. 32 to junction with the Gasconade River; East of the Gasconade River to junction with Interstate Hwy. 44; and South of Interstate Hwy. 44 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 68.

(NN) Unit 40—West of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 19 to junction with Dent County Hwy. K; Dent County Hwy. K to junction with Shannan County Hwy. K; Shannan County Hwy. K to junction with Texas County Hwy. K; Texas County Hwy. K to junction with Mo. Hwy. 17; Mo. Hwy. 17 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 60; North of U.S. Hwy. 60 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 95; East of Mo. Hwy. 95 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 32; and South of Mo. Hwy. 32 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 19.

(OO) Unit 41—West of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 185 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 8; Mo. Hwy. 8 to junction with Business U.S. Hwy. 67; Business U.S. Hwy. 67 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 32; North of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 32 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 72; Mo. Hwy. 72 to junction with Dent County Hwy. B; Dent County Hwy. B to junction with Mo. Hwy. 19; East of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 19 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 68; Mo. Hwy. 68 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 44; and South of Interstate Hwy. 44 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 185.

(PP) Unit 42—West of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 21 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 49; Mo. Hwy. 49 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 34; North of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 34 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 21; Mo. Hwy. 21 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 106; Mo. Hwy. 106 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 19; Mo. Hwy. 19 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 60; U.S. Hwy. 60 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 17; East of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 17 to junction with Texas County Hwy. K; Texas County Hwy. K to junction with Shannan County Hwy. K; Shannan County Hwy. K to junction with Dent County Hwy. K; Dent County Hwy. K to junction with Dent County Hwy. B; and South of a line comprised of Dent County Hwy. B to junction with Mo. Hwy. 72; Mo. Hwy. 72 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 32; Mo. Hwy. 32 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 21.

(QQ) Unit 43—West of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 51 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 91; Mo. Hwy. 91 to junction with Stoddard County Hwy. C; Stoddard County Hwy. C to junction with Bollinger County Hwy. C; Bollinger County Hwy. C to junction with Stoddard County Hwy. C to junction with Wayne County Hwy. P; Wayne County Hwy. P to junction with Wayne County Hwy. E; Wayne County Hwy. E to junction with Wayne County Hwy. C; Wayne County Hwy. C to junction with Mo. Hwy. 34; Mo. Hwy. 34 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 49; East of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 49 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 21; Mo. Hwy. 21 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 32; and South of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 32 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 60; U.S. Hwy. 60 to junction with Ste. Genevieve County Hwy. U; Ste. Genevieve County Hwy. U to junction with the Illinois line; the Illinois line to junction with Mo. Hwy. 51.

(RR) Unit 44—West and South of the Illinois line to junction with Mo. Hwy. 74; North of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 74 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 25; Mo. Hwy. 25 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 91; and East of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 91 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 51; Mo. Hwy. 51 to junction with the Illinois line.

(SS) Unit 45—West of Mo. Hwy. 37 to junction with Barry County Hwy. B; North of a line comprised of Barry County Hwy. B to junction with Mo. Hwy. 97; Mo. Hwy. 97 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 86; Mo. Hwy. 86 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 60; U.S. Hwy. 60 to junction with the Oklahoma line; East of the Oklahoma line to junction with Interstate Hwy. 44; and South of Interstate Hwy. 44 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 37.

(UT) Unit 46—West of Mo. Hwy. 37 to junction with the Arkansas line; North of the Arkansas line to junction with the Oklahoma line; East of the Oklahoma line to junction with U.S. Hwy. 60; and South of a line comprised of U.S. Hwy. 60 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 86; Mo. Hwy. 86 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 97; Mo. Hwy. 97 to junction with Barry County Hwy. B; Barry County Hwy. B to junction with Mo. Hwy. 37.

(UU) Unit 47—West of a line comprised of U.S. Hwy. 65 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 60; U.S. Hwy. 60 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 125; Mo. Hwy. 125 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 14; Mo. Hwy. 14 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 65; U.S. Hwy. 65 to junction with Christian County Hwy. EE; Christian County Hwy. EE to junction with U.S. Hwy. 160; U.S. Hwy. 160 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 176; North of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 176 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 13; Mo. Hwy. 13 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 173; Mo. Hwy. 173 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 60; U.S. Hwy. 60 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 37; East of Mo. Hwy. 37 to junction with Interstate Hwy. 44; and South of Interstate Hwy. 44 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 65.

(VV) Unit 48—West of U.S. Hwy. 65 to junction with the Arkansas line; North of the Arkansas line to junction with Mo. Hwy. 37; East of Mo. Hwy. 37 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 60; and South of a line comprised of U.S. Hwy. 60 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 97; Mo. Hwy. 97 to junction with Barry County Hwy. B; Barry County Hwy. B to junction with Mo. Hwy. 37.
(WW) Unit 49—West of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 5 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 95; Mo. Hwy. 95 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 60; U.S. Hwy. 60 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 125; Mo. Hwy. 125 to the Arkansas line; North of the Arkansas line to junction with U.S. Hwy. 65; East of U.S. Hwy. 65 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 176; Mo. Hwy. 176 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 60; U.S. Hwy. 60 to junction with Christian County Hwy. EE; Christian County Hwy. EE to junction with U.S. Hwy. 65; U.S. Hwy. 65 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 14; Mo. Hwy. 14 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 125; Mo. Hwy. 125 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 60; and South of U.S. Hwy. 60 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 5.

(XX) Unit 50—West of U.S. Hwy. 63 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 14; North of Mo. Hwy. 14 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 5; East of Mo. Hwy. 5 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 60; and South of U.S. Hwy. 60 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 160; U.S. Hwy. 160 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 101; Mo. Hwy. 101 to the Arkansas line; North of the Arkansas line to junction with Mo. Hwy. 125; East of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 125 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 160; U.S. Hwy. 160 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 95; Mo. Hwy. 95 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 5; Mo. Hwy. 5 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 14; and South of Mo. Hwy. 14 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 63.

(ZZ) Unit 52—West of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 19 to junction with the Eleven Point River; the Eleven Point River to junction with the Arkansas line; North of the Arkansas line to junction with Mo. Hwy. 101; East of a line comprised of Mo. Hwy. 101 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 160; U.S. Hwy. 160 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 63; U.S. Hwy. 63 to junction with U.S. Hwy. 60; and South of U.S. Hwy. 60 to junction with Mo. Hwy. 19.

(EEE) Unit 57—West of a line comprised of the Illinois line to junction with the Kentucky line; the Kentucky line to junction with the Tennessee line; the Tennessee line to junction with the Arkansas line; North and East of the Arkansas line to junction with U.S. Hwy. 67; East of U.S. Hwy. 67 to the border of St. Louis County and the City of St. Louis.

3 CSR 10-7.440 Migratory Game Birds and Waterfowl: Seasons, Limits

PURPOSE: The Department of Conservation is authorized to select waterfowl hunting season dates and bag limits within frameworks established by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The seasons and limits selected are intended to provide optimum hunting opportunity consistent with the welfare of the species.

(1) Migratory game birds and waterfowl may be taken, possessed, transported and stored as provided in federal regulations. The head or one (1) fully feathered wing must remain attached to all waterfowl while being transported from the field to one’s home or a commercial preservation facility. Seasons and limits are as follows:

(A) Mourning doves, Eurasian collared-doves and white-winged doves may be taken from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to sunset from September 1 through November 9. Limits: twelve (12) doves daily in the aggregate; twenty-four (24) in possession.

(B) Sora and Virginia rails may be taken from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to sunset from September 1 through November 9. Limits: twenty-five (25) rails in the aggregate daily or in possession.

(C) Woodcock may be taken from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to sunset from October 15 through November 28. Limits: three (3) woodcock daily; six (6) in possession.

(D) Common snipe may be taken from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to sunset from September 6 through September 21. Limits: four (4) teals in the aggregate of species daily; eight (8) in possession.

(E) Blue-winged, green-winged and cinnamon teal may be taken from sunrise to sunset from September 6 through September 21. Limits: eight (8) teal daily; sixteen (16) in possession.

(F) Ducks (except for canvasback and pintail) and coots may be taken from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to sunset from October 25 through December 23 in the North Zone (that portion of Missouri north of a line running west from the Illinois border at Lock and Dam 25; west on Lincoln County Hwy. N to Mo. Hwy. 79; south on Mo. Hwy. 79 to Mo. Hwy. 47; west on Mo. Hwy. 47 to Interstate Hwy. 70; west on Interstate Hwy. 70 to U.S. Hwy. 54; south on U.S. Hwy. 54 to U.S. Hwy 50; and west on U.S. Hwy. 50 to the Kansas border); from November 22 through January 20 in the South Zone (that portion of the state south of a line running west from the Illinois border on Mo. Hwy. 34 to Interstate Hwy. 55; south on Interstate Hwy. 55 to U.S. Hwy. 62; west on U.S. Hwy. 62 to Mo. Hwy. 53; north on Mo. Hwy. 53 to Mo. Hwy. 51; north on Mo. Hwy. 51 to U.S. Hwy. 60; east on U.S. Hwy. 60 to Mo. Hwy. 21; north on Mo. Hwy. 21 to Mo. Hwy. 72; west on Mo. Hwy. 72 to Mo. Hwy. 32; west on Mo. Hwy. 32 to U.S. Hwy. 65; north on U.S. Hwy. 65 to U.S. Hwy. 54; west on U.S. Hwy. 54 to the Kansas border); and from November 1 through December 30 in the Middle Zone (remainder of Missouri). Pintails and canvasbacks may be taken from October 25 through November 23 in the North Zone, November 1 through November 30 in the Middle Zone, and November 22 through December 21 in the South Zone. Ducks and coots may be taken by youth hunters fifteen (15) years of age or younger from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to sunset from October 18 through October 19 in the North Zone, from October 25 through October 26 in the Middle Zone and from November 15 through November 16 in the South Zone. Youth hunters must be accompanied by an adult eighteen (18) years of age or older who cannot hunt ducks. Adults must be licensed unless the youth hunter possesses a valid hunter education certificate card. Limits are as follows:

1. Coots—Fifteen (15) daily; thirty (30) in possession.

2. Ducks—The daily bag limit of ducks is six (6) and may include no more than four (4) mallards (no more than two (2) of which may be a female), three (3) scaup, two (2) wood ducks, one (1) black duck, two (2) redheads, one (1) hooded merganser, one (1) pintail and one (1) canvasback (during the prescribed season and during the youth hunts). The possession limit is twelve (12), including no more than eight (8) mallards (no more than four (4) of which may be female), six (6) scaup, four (4) wood ducks, two (2) black ducks, four (4) redheads, two (2) hooded mergansers, two (2) canvasbacks and two (2) pintails.

(G) Geese may be taken from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to sunset as follows:

1. Blue, snow, and Ross’s geese may be taken from October 25 through January 18 in the North Zone and Swan Lake Zone, and from November 1 through January 25 in the Middle Zone, Southeast Zone and South Zone.

2. In the Swan Lake Zone, Canada geese and brant may be taken from October 25 through November 30 and from December 20 through January 18.

3. In the Southeast Zone and South Zone, Canada geese and brant may be taken from October 4 through October 12 and from November 22 through January 25.

4. Except in the Swan Lake Zone, Southeast Zone and South Zone, Canada geese and brant may be taken from September 27 through October 12, October 25 through November 23 and December 20 through January 18 in the North Zone and from September 27 through October 12, November 1 through November 30, and December 27 through January 25 in the Middle Zone.

5. The daily bag limit is twenty (20) blue, snow or Ross’s geese; two (2) brant and two (2) white-fronted geese statewide. The possession limits for brant and white-fronted geese are four (4) each and there is no possession limit for blue, snow and Ross’s geese.

6. The daily bag limit is two (2) Canada geese in the Swan Lake Zone. The possession limit is four (4) Canada geese.

7. In the North Zone and Middle Zone, the daily bag limit is three (3) Canada geese from September 27 through October 12 and two (2) Canada geese thereafter. The possession limit is six (6) Canada geese from September 27 through October 12 and four (4) Canada geese thereafter. In the South Zone and Southeast Zone, the daily bag limit is three (3) Canada geese from October 4 through October 12 and two (2) Canada geese thereafter. The possession limit is six (6) Canada geese from October 4 through October 12 and four (4) Canada geese thereafter.

8. Geese may be taken by youth hunters in the North Zone from October 18 through October 19, in the Middle Zone from October 25 through October 26, and in the South Zone from November 15 through November 16. The daily bag limit is twenty (20) blue, snow, and Ross’s geese, two (2) white-fronted geese, two (2) brant, and two (2) Canada geese. The possession limits for brant, white-fronted goose and Canada goose are four (4) each and there is no possession limit for blue, snow, and Ross’s geese.

9. Zones: The Swan Lake Zone shall be the area bounded by U.S. Hwy. 36 on the north, Mo. Hwy. 5 on the east, Mo. Hwy. 240 and U.S. Hwy. 65 on the south, and U.S. Hwy. 65 on the west. The North Zone shall be that portion of the state north of a line running west from the Illinois border at Lock
and Dam 25; west on Lincoln County Hwy. N to Mo. Hwy. 79; south on Mo. Hwy. 79 to Mo Hwy. 47; west on Mo. Hwy. 47 to Interstate Hwy. 70; west on Interstate Hwy. 70 to U.S. Hwy. 54; south on U.S. Hwy. 54 to U.S. Hwy. 50; west on U.S. Hwy 50 to the Kansas border excluding the Swan Lake Zone. The South Zone shall be that portion of Missouri south of a line running west from the Illinois border on Mo. Hwy. 34 to Interstate Hwy. 55; south on Interstate Hwy. 55 to U.S. Hwy. 62; west on U.S. Hwy. 62 to Mo. Hwy. 53; north on Mo. Hwy. 53 to Mo Hwy. 51; north on Mo. Hwy. 51 to U.S. Hwy. 60; west on U.S. Hwy. 60 to Mo. Hwy. 21; north on Mo. Hwy. 21 to Mo Hwy. 72; west on Mo. Hwy. 72 to Mo. Hwy. 32; west on Mo. Hwy. 32 to U.S. Hwy. 65; north on U.S. Hwy. 65 to U.S. Hwy. 54; west on U.S. Hwy. 54 to the Kansas border. The Middle Zone shall be the remainder of Missouri excluding the Southeast Zone (that portion of the state west of a line beginning at the intersection of Mo. Hwy. 34 and Interstate Hwy. 55, south of Interstate Hwy. 55 to U.S. Hwy. 62; west on U.S. Hwy. 62 to Mo. Hwy. 53; north on Mo. Hwy. 53 to Mo Hwy. 51; north on Mo. Hwy. 51 to U.S. Hwy. 60; west on U.S. Hwy. 60 to Mo. Hwy. 21; north on Mo. Hwy. 21 to Mo Hwy. 72; east on Mo. Hwy. 72 to Mo. Hwy. 34; east on Mo. Hwy. 34 to Interstate Hwy. 55).

(H) Shells possessed or used while hunting waterfowl and coots statewide, and for other wildlife as designated by posting on public areas, must be loaded with material approved as nontoxic by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

(I) The hunting season for blue, snow and Ross’s geese closes on January 18, 2004 in the North Zone and Swan Lake Zone and on January 25, 2004 in the Middle Zone, Southeast Zone and South Zone in order to implement a light goose Conservation Order.

1. Persons who possess a valid migratory bird permit may chase, pursue, and take blue, snow and Ross’s geese between the hours of one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to one-half (1/2) hour after sunset from January 19 through April 30, 2004 in the North Zone and Swan Lake Zone and from January 26 through April 30, 2004 in the Middle Zone, Southeast Zone and South Zone. Any other regulation notwithstanding, methods for the taking of blue, snow and Ross’s geese include using shotguns capable of holding more than three (3) shells, and with the use or aid of recorded or electrically amplified bird calls or sounds, or recorded or electrically amplified imitations of bird calls or sounds. Exceptions to the above permit requirement include landowners or lessees, as described in this code, and persons fifteen (15) years of age or younger, provided s/he is in the immediate presence of a properly licensed adult or has in his/her possession a valid hunter education certificate card. A daily bag limit will not be in effect January 19 through April 30 in the North Zone and Swan Lake Zone and from January 26 through April 30 in the Middle Zone, Southeast Zone, and South Zone.

3 CSR 10-7.441 Crows: Seasons, Methods, Limits

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the open seasons, methods and limits for crow hunting.

Crows may be taken in any numbers by shot-gun, rifle, handguns, archery and falconry from November 1 through March 3.


3 CSR 10-7.442 Falconry
(Moved to 3 CSR 10-9.442)

3 CSR 10-7.445 Bullfrogs: Seasons, Methods, Limits

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the season, methods and limits for hunting frogs.

Bullfrogs and green frogs may be taken, possessed and transported from sunset, June 30 through October 31, by the holder of a hunting permit by means of a .22 caliber rimfire rifle or pistol or by pellet gun, longbow, crossbow, hand or handnet. An artificial light may be used. Daily limit: eight (8) frogs in the aggregate; possession limit: sixteen (16) frogs in the aggregate. Only the daily limit of frogs may be possessed upon the waters and banks thereof where daily limits apply.


3 CSR 10-7.450 Furbearers: Hunting Seasons, Methods

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the seasons and methods for hunting furbearers.

Striped skunk, raccoon, opossum, badger, red fox, gray fox and bobcat may be taken in any numbers by hunting from November 20 through January 20 provided that bobcat may be taken only in that part of the state west and south of a line running west from the Illinois border on Interstate Highway 70 to U.S. Highway 63; north on U.S. Highway 63 to U.S. Highway 36; west on U.S. Highway 36 to U.S. Highway 65; north on U.S. Highway 65 to the Iowa border. Pelts of furbearers may be possessed, transported, consigned for processing and sold only by the taker from November 20 through February 4, except that bobcats or their pelts shall be delivered by the taker to an agent of the department in the county of harvest or any open county for registration or tagging before selling, transferring, tanning or mounting, but not later than February 4. Tagged bobcats or their pelts may be possessed throughout the year. It shall be illegal to purchase or sell untagged bobcats or their pelts. Other pelts may be delivered or shipped and consigned by the taker to a licensed taxidermist or tanner before the close of the possession season for pelts. These pelts must be recorded by the taxidermist or tanner and shall not enter the raw fur market. After tanning, pelts may be possessed, bought or sold without permit. Skinned carcasses of legally taken furbearers may be sold by the taker throughout the year. Coyotes may be taken by hunting, and pelts and carcasses may be possessed, transported and sold in any numbers throughout the year; except that coyotes may not be chased, pursued or taken during daylight hours from April 1 through the day prior to the beginning of the prescribed spring turkey hunting season, and may not be chased, pursued or taken through the prescribed spring turkey hunting season, and no furbearers may be chased, pursued or taken during daylight hours with the aid of dogs from November 1 through the prescribed November portion of the firearms deer hunting season, during any extended firearms deer hunting season in deer management units open to hunting or with firearms from a boat at night, or be taken with the aid of an electronic call at night. The dens or nests of furbearers shall not be molested or destroyed. No person shall accept payment for furbearers taken by another.


3 CSR 10-7.455 Turkeys: Seasons, Methods, Limits

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the seasons, methods and limits for hunting wild turkeys.

(1) Turkeys may be pursued, taken, killed, possessed or transported only as permitted in this rule.

(A) Spring Season. Spring season annually will begin on the Monday closest to April 21. A person possessing the prescribed turkey hunting permit may take turkeys according to the season length and bag limit established annually by the Conservation Commission; except that a person at least six (6) and under sixteen (16) years of age who possesses a Youth Deer and Turkey Hunting Permit may take only one (1) male turkey or turkey with a visible beard during the season. Turkeys may be taken only by shotgun with shot no larger than No. 4, or longbow, without the use of dogs, bait, recorded calls or live decoys, from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to 1:00 p.m. Central Daylight Time (CDT). Possession of shotshells loaded with shot larger than No. 4 is prohibited while hunting turkeys.

(B) Fall Firearms Season. Fall season annually will begin on the second Monday in October and be fourteen (14) days in length. A person possessing the prescribed turkey hunting permit may take two (2) turkeys of either sex during the season; provided, only one (1) turkey may be taken per day; except that a person at least six (6) and under sixteen (16) years of age who possesses a Youth Deer and Turkey Hunting Permit may take only one (1) turkey of either sex during the season. Turkeys may be taken only by shotgun with shot no larger than No. 4 or longbow; without the use of dogs, bait, recorded calls or live decoys; from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to sunset in all counties except: Dunklin, McDonald, Mississippi, New Madrid, Newton, Pemiscot and Scott. Possession of shotshells loaded with shot larger than No. 4
is prohibited while hunting turkeys. A person, while in the act of pursuing or hunting a turkey on a fall firearms permit, shall not have both a firearm and longbow on his/her person.

(C) Fall Archery Season. A person possessing the prescribed archer’s hunting permit may take two (2) turkeys of either sex from October 1 through January 15, excluding the dates of the November portion of the firearms deer season. Turkeys may be taken only by longbow; without the use of dogs, bait, recorded calls or live decoys; from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to one-half (1/2) hour after sunset. An archer, while in the act of pursuing or hunting turkey on an archer’s permit, shall not have a firearm on his/her person.

(D) Youth Spring Season. The two (2)-day Youth Spring Season will begin annually on the Saturday nine (9) days prior to the Monday opening of the Spring Season. A Missouri resident possessing a Youth Deer and Turkey Hunting Permit or the prescribed turkey hunting permit and who is at least six (6) and under sixteen (16) years of age on the opening day of the Youth Spring Season may take only one (1) male turkey or turkey with visible beard during the Youth Spring Season. A turkey harvested during the Youth Spring Season will count towards an individual’s Spring Season bag limit; individuals hunting under the prescribed turkey hunting permit may not harvest a second bird during the first week of the Spring Season. Turkeys may be taken only by shotgun with shot no larger than No. 4, or longbow, without the use of dogs, bait, recorded calls or live decoys; from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to 1:00 p.m. Central Daylight Time (CDT). Possession of shotshells loaded with shot larger than No. 4 is prohibited while hunting turkeys.

(2) Turkeys may be possessed or transported only by the taker thereof and only when tagged immediately with the transportation portion of the permit. Detachment of the transportation portion of the permit prior to taking a turkey renders the permit void. During the spring and fall firearms seasons, the taker shall submit these turkeys with head and plumage intact, along with the prescribed archery permit, for inspection and marking at an established archery checking station within twenty-four (24) hours of the take.

(3) Bait shall mean grain or other feed placed or scattered so as to constitute an attraction or enticement to turkeys. An area shall be considered baited for ten (10) days following complete removal of the bait.

(4) Each permit holder hunting with a shotgun shall first affix to the receiver of his/her gun, where it will be in his/her line of sight when shooting, the safety sticker part of the transportation tag, and maintain the sticker on the gun when hunting.

(5) A resident landowner or lessee as defined in this Code, without holding a turkey hunting permit, may take and possess turkey in accordance with this rule on his/her land or, in the case of the lessee, on the farm on which s/he resides, but s/he shall tag the turkey with his/her name and address immediately upon taking and shall personally deliver the turkey for checking as required in this rule.

(6) Any person who kills or injures any wild turkey shall make a reasonable effort to retrieve the turkey and include it in his/her season limit.

(7) Properly checked turkeys, when labeled with the full name, address and permit number of the taker, may be transported and possessed by any person.

(8) In accordance with section 270.400, RSMo feral hogs (any hog, including Russian and European wild boar, that is not conspicuously identified by ear tags or other forms of identification and is roaming freely upon public or private lands without the landowner’s permission) may be taken in any number during the spring firearms turkey season and youth spring season only by the holder of a valid, unused turkey hunting permit; and only by methods and times prescribed for taking turkeys. During the fall firearms turkey season, feral hogs may be taken only by the holder of a valid, unused turkey hunting permit; and only by methods prescribed in Chapter 7 for taking wildlife, and without the use of bait. Other restrictions may apply on public lands. Resident landowners or lessees as defined in this Code may take feral hogs on their own property at any time, by any method and without permit.