

Deer Tagging Instructions

- 1 You must validate the appropriate deer carcass tag immediately upon killing and before field dressing or moving the deer by slitting the appropriate date and time.
Note: *An antlerless deer is any deer that does not have any antler of 3 or more inches in length. A buck deer is any deer with an antler 3 inches or longer.*
2. Insert a string or similar fastener through the small hole in the middle of the tag (note: a tab covers the hole) and attach to the deer's ear or antler. You will need to provide your own string or similar fastener to attach the carcass tag to your deer.
3. After the deer has been tagged, it must be registered at an appropriate registration station. Please see the section below on registration.
4. The carcass and registration tags must remain attached to the deer until butchering. The person who killed, tagged or obtained the deer shall retain all tags until the meat is consumed.

Deer Registration

Deer must be kept intact, except for field dressing and skinning, prior to registration. The lower legs, up to the tarsus joint ("ankle or hock") on the hind legs and up to the carpus joint ("wrist or knee") on the front legs, may also be removed. If the skin or legs are removed prior to registration, they must be kept with the carcass until after the deer is registered.

Exemption: Deer may be skinned and quartered by persons holding a Class A or B Disabled Permit. All parts must be presented at the time of registration.

In addition to the tagging requirements, *all deer must be registered* at a DNR Deer Registration Station. Registration forms are available at deer registration stations and license agents.

Non-CWD Unit Deer Registration

- **Deadline:** All deer killed by **firearm hunters (including muzzleloader deer season)** must be registered no later than 5:00 p.m. of the day after the close of the season in which the deer was killed. All deer killed by **archery hunters** must be registered no later than 5:00 p.m. on the third day after the deer was killed or by 5:00 p.m. the day after the season closes, whichever occurs first.
- **Location:** All deer killed must be registered in the unit of kill or in an adjoining unit.

CWD Unit Deer Registration

- **Deadline:** All deer killed must be registered no later than 5:00 p.m. on the day after it was killed.
- **Location:** All deer killed in a **Disease Eradication Zone** must be registered within the DEZ. All deer killed in the **Herd Reduction Zone** must be registered in the unit of kill or adjacent unit of kill **within** the HRZ or DEZ.

Collection of samples at time of registration

Note: *Any part of any deer may be collected or sampled by the department for disease testing purposes. If requested, you must allow the department to collect a sample for disease testing. Special arrangements can be made at the time of registration for deer that are to be mounted. Failure to provide or allow a sample to be collected may result in a fine.*

Deer Hunting Seasons: Regular Units

Regular units are the non-shaded units on the Deer Management Unit (DMU) Map (pages 28–29). Deer populations are at or near goal in these units. Harvesting a limited number of antlerless deer maintains a DMU’s population near established goals.

Seasons & Harvest Limits

2007 Gun Deer Seasons–Regular Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
October 6–7	Youth Gun Deer Hunt (see page 38)
November 17–25	One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Unit Specific Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags.
December 6–9	Antlerless deer only hunt: One antlerless deer per unused Unit Specific Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag.

2007 Archery Deer Seasons–Regular Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
September 15–November 15 & November 26–January 6	One buck per unused Archery Buck Carcass Tag. One antlerless deer per unused Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Unit Specific Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags. EXCEPT December 6–9.
December 6–9	Antlerless deer only hunt: One antlerless deer per unused Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Unit Specific Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags.

2007 Muzzleloader Deer Seasons–Regular Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
November 26–December 5	One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Unit Specific Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags.

Hunting Accidents

Any person involved in an accident in which a person is injured by gunfire or bow and arrow or crossbow while hunting or trapping must first render necessary assistance and then immediately report the incident to the local Warden, Sheriff or Police. In addition, every person involved in a hunting accident must render a written report to the DNR within 10 days.

Deer Hunting Seasons: Herd Control Units

Herd Control Deer Management Units are the grey shaded units on the Deer Management Unit (DMU) Map. There will be unlimited Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags (valid in Herd Control and EAB units) available. Hunters will receive one free with each deer license and additional tags may be purchased at \$2 each. Units are designated as Herd Control Units when a deer population is well over goal and increased antlerless harvest is required to bring populations toward goal.

2007 Gun Deer Seasons—Herd Control Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
October 6–7	Youth Gun Deer Hunt (see page 38)
November 17–25	One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags which specify being valid in Herd Control and EAB units.
December 6–9	Antlerless deer only hunt: One antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag which specify being valid in Herd Control and EAB units.

2007 Archery Deer Seasons—Herd Control Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
September 15–November 15 & November 26–January 6	One buck per unused Archery Buck Carcass Tag. One antlerless deer per unused Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags which specify being valid in Herd Control and EAB units. EXCEPT December 6–9.
December 6–9	Antlerless deer only hunt: One antlerless deer per unused Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags which specify being valid in Herd Control and EAB units.

2007 Muzzleloader Deer Seasons—Herd Control Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
November 26–December 5	One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag and additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags which specify being valid in Herd Control and EAB units.

- A *buck deer* means a deer with at least one antler which is 3 inches or longer in length.
- An *antlerless deer* means any deer without antlers or any deer with both antlers less than 3 inches in length.

Herd Control Units *continued*

Metro Herd Control Units

Units 1M and 77M are Metropolitan (Metro) **Herd Control Units** (See EAB section for all other Metro Units season information). These Metro Units have longer seasons due to higher deer populations in and around urban areas. **Note:** Only shotguns, muzzleloaders and handguns are allowed in unit 77M, whereas rifles, shotguns, muzzleloaders and handguns are allowed in unit 1M during firearm seasons.

2007 Gun Deer Seasons–Metro Herd Control Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
October 6–7	Youth Gun Deer Hunt (see page 38)
November 17–December 5	One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags which specify being valid in Herd Control and EAB units.
December 6–9	Antlerless deer only hunt: One Antlerless Deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag which specify being valid in Herd Control and EAB units.

2007 Archery Deer Seasons–Metro Herd Control Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
September 15–November 15 & November 17–January 31	One buck per unused Archery Buck Deer Carcass Tag. One antlerless deer per unused Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags which specify being valid in Herd Control and EAB units. EXCEPT December 6–9.
December 6–9	Antlerless deer only hunt: One antlerless deer per unused Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags which specify being valid in Herd Control and EAB units.

- A *buck deer* means a deer with at least one antler which is 3 inches or longer in length.
- An *antlerless deer* means any deer without antlers or any deer with both antlers less than 3 inches in length.

Always Remember the Four Rules of Firearm Safety

1. Treat every gun as if it were loaded.
2. Always point the muzzle in a safe direction.
3. Be sure of your target and beyond.
4. Keep your finger out of the trigger guard until you are ready to shoot.

Deer Hunting Seasons: Earn-a-Buck Units

This season structure **requires the hunter to first harvest and tag an antlerless deer before being allowed to harvest and tag a buck deer.**

Non-CWD EAB Units.

Non-CWD EAB units are the dark grey shaded units on the Deer Management Unit map on pages 28–29.

Seasons & Harvest Limits

2007 Gun Deer Seasons—Non-CWD EAB Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
October 6–7	Youth Gun Deer Hunt (see page 38)
November 17–25	One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag provided a Buck Authorization Sticker is affixed to the back, OR an unregistered antlerless deer tagged by the same hunter accompanies the buck deer until both are registered. Also additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags which specify being valid in Herd Control and EAB units.
December 6–9	Antlerless deer only hunt: One antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag which specify being valid in Herd Control and EAB units.

2007 Archery Deer Season—Non-CWD EAB Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
September 15–November 15 & November 26–January 6	One antlerless deer per unused Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag or one buck deer per Archery Buck Deer Carcass Tag provided a Buck Authorization Sticker is affixed to the back or an antlerless deer tagged by the same hunter accompanies the buck until both are registered. Also, additional antlerless deer may be harvested with unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags which specify being valid in Herd Control and EAB units. EXCEPT December 6–9.
December 6–9	Antlerless deer only hunt: One antlerless deer per unused Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag and additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags which specify being valid in Herd Control and EAB units.

2007 Muzzleloader Deer Season—Non-CWD EAB Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
November 26–December 5	One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag provided a Buck Authorization Sticker is affixed to the back, OR an unregistered antlerless deer tagged by the same hunter accompanies the buck deer until both are registered. Also additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags which specify being valid in Herd Control and EAB units.

Earn-a-Buck *continued*

Metro Earn-a-Buck Units

Units 59M, 60M, and 64M are Metropolitan (Metro) Deer Management Units with EAB regulations. These Metro Units have longer seasons due to higher deer populations in and around urban areas. **Note:** Only shotguns, muzzleloaders and handguns are allowed in these three units during firearm seasons.

2007 Gun Deer Season—Metro EAB Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
November 17–December 5	One buck deer per unused Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag provided a Buck Authorization Sticker is affixed to the back, OR an unregistered antlerless deer tagged by the same hunter accompanies the buck until both are registered. Also additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags which specify being valid in Herd Control and EAB units.
December 6–9	Antlerless deer only hunt: One antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag which specify being valid in Herd Control and EAB units.

2007 Archery Deer Season—Metro EAB Units	
Season	Harvest Limits
September 15–November 15 November 17–January 31	One antlerless deer per unused Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag or one buck deer per unused Archery Buck Deer Carcass Tag provided a Buck Authorization Sticker is affixed to the back, OR an antlerless deer tagged by the same hunter must accompany the buck until both are registered. Also, additional antlerless deer may be harvested with unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags which specify being valid in Herd Control and EAB units. EXCEPT December 6–9.
December 6–9	Antlerless deer only hunt: One antlerless deer per unused Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag & additional antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags which specify being valid in Herd Control and EAB units.

- A *buck deer* means a deer with at least one antler which is 3 inches or longer in length.
- An *antlerless deer* means any deer without antlers or any deer with both antlers less than 3 inches in length.

CWD Earn-a-Buck Units

CWD EAB Units are the non-shaded units with cross-hatches on the Deer Management Unit map on pages 28–29. For CWD zones, see map on page 30.

Seasons: **Disease Eradication Zone Season Dates**

Archery: September 15–January 6, 2008

Gun: October 13–21 and November 17–December 9

Youth Gun Deer Hunt (in both DEZs and HRZ): October 6–7

Herd Reduction Zone Season Dates

Archery: September 15–January 6, 2008

Gun: October 18–21 and November 17–December 9

New in 2007: Unlimited Earn-a-Buck regulations are in effect for the Chronic Wasting Disease Units: Herd Reduction Zone (HRZ) and the Disease Eradication Zones (DEZ) for the entire 2007 season, except for the Youth Gun Deer Hunt (page 38).

Restrictions: Hunters are required to first harvest and tag an antlerless deer before being allowed to harvest and tag a buck deer. In CWD Units only, there is no limit to how many bucks may be earned by following Earn-A-Buck regulations.

Carcass Tags: Hunters may use any of the tags listed below to tag a buck or an antlerless deer in the DEZs or HRZ. For these tags to be valid for a buck, a Buck Authorization Sticker must be attached to the back of the tag (see page 27) or an unregistered antlerless deer tagged by the same hunter accompanies the buck deer until both are registered.

- 2007–2008 CWD Deer Carcass Tag
- Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag
- Archery Buck Deer Carcass Tag
- Archery Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag
- Any other Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag

Hunters can obtain 2007–2008 CWD Deer Carcass Tags free of charge (limit 4 per hunter per day) at deer registration stations and participating license vendors located in the CWD zones and at all DNR Service Centers.

Tip: Hunters planning on hunting outside of the CWD zones should save the buck carcass tag issued with their license for use during those hunts, and should use the above tags (which are all valid for tagging a buck in compliance with EAB regulations in CWD zones) for hunting within CWD zones.

* If EAB regulations are again implemented in CWD units for the 2008 deer hunting season, antlerless deer harvested this year will pre-qualify hunters for EAB next year (see page 27 for more information).

Carcass Tags

Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag

Valid in any Deer Management Unit (DMU) statewide for harvesting a buck with a firearm (including muzzleloaders). **Except** in Earn-A-Buck units when a Buck Authorization Sticker (see opposite page) must be attached to the tag to be valid, unless an unregistered antlerless deer, tagged by the same person accompanies the buck deer until both are registered.

Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag

Unit Specific—Unit specific Antlerless Deer Carcass Tags are only valid for tagging one antlerless deer in the unit specified on tag. This tag is **not** weapon specific. Tags are available **Saturday August 25, 2007** on a first come, first served basis. Unit specific Antlerless Tags are \$12.00 for residents and \$20.00 for non-residents and can be purchased at a rate of one per hunter per day, until sold out at any DNR license vendor, online at dnr.wi.gov or by phone.

Herd Control and Earn-A-Buck—This Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag is only valid for tagging one antlerless deer in Herd Control, EAB, and CWD units, and is **not valid** for Regular or non-quota units. This tag is **not** weapon specific. One tag is issued free with each deer license (individuals will receive two free antlerless tags if they purchase both the Archery and Gun Deer License or are a Conservation Patron). Additional tags are available at any DNR license vendor, online at dnr.wi.gov or by phone for \$2.00 each for residents and non-residents.

New for 2007: The Archery Either Sex Deer Carcass Tag will be replaced with the Archery Buck Deer Carcass Tag and a separate Antlerless Deer Carcass Tag.

Archery Buck Deer Carcass Tag

This tag is valid for one buck deer harvested with legal archery equipment in any unit statewide during an open archery season, except during the December 6–9 antlerless only deer hunt. **To be valid in Earn-A-Buck units**, a Buck Authorization Sticker (see opposite page) must be attached to the back of the tag, unless a legally harvested antlerless deer, tagged by the same person, accompanies the buck deer until both are registered. When hunting outside of CWD units, this is the **ONLY** archery tag valid for harvesting a buck with archery equipment. This tag is weapon specific and may not be filled with a deer killed with a firearm.

Archery Antlerless Carcass Tag

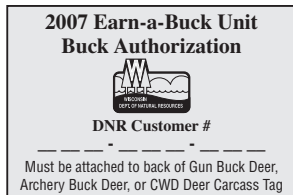
This carcass tag is valid for one antlerless deer harvested with **legal archery equipment only** in any unit statewide during an open archery season. One is issued free with each Archery Deer License or Patron License.

2007–2008 CWD Deer Carcass Tag

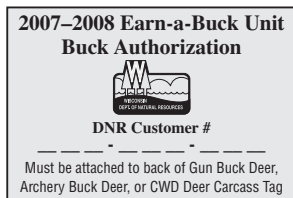
This carcass tag is valid only in CWD Units during any open CWD season and can be used for either sex, but to be valid for a buck a Buck Authorization Sticker must be attached to the back of the CWD Deer Carcass Tag. This tag is **not** weapon specific. Hunters can obtain these tags free of charge (limit 4 per hunter per day) at deer registration stations and participating license vendors located in the CWD Zones and at all DNR Service Centers.

EAB Units: Buck Authorization Stickers

Buck Authorization Stickers are used to validate the earner's Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag, Archery Buck Deer Carcass Tag, or CWD Deer Carcass Tag in an EAB unit.



Buck Authorization Stickers earned by registering an antlerless deer during the 2006 deer hunting season, in a Deer Management Unit that is designated an EAB unit in 2007. This authorization will be mailed in August to those hunters who registered an antlerless deer in 2006 in units which are EAB in 2007.



Buck Authorization Stickers earned during the 2007 deer hunting season. These stickers are earned by tagging and registering an antlerless deer in an EAB unit. These stickers can be used during the 2007 deer season in an EAB unit, or, if not used in 2007 can be used in an EAB unit during the 2008 deer season.

Tip: Hunters planning on hunting *outside* of the CWD zones should save the Gun and Archery Buck Deer Carcass Tags issued with their license for use during those hunts, and should use the tags listed on page 25 (which are all valid for tagging a buck in compliance with EAB regulations in CWD zones) for hunting within CWD zones.

Where is my buck authorization valid?

They are valid in **ANY EAB unit** throughout the state.

How many buck authorizations can I earn?

During the 2007 season, a buck authorization will be issued for each antlerless deer registered in all EAB units. One may be used to validate your Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag or Archery Buck Deer Carcass Tag. Additional buck authorizations (over two) earned in 2007 **may not** be used in the 2007 deer season, but can be used in any unit designated as EAB in the 2008 season (up to two). **Except**, in CWD units where unlimited EAB regulations are in effect for the entire 2007 deer season (See page 25).

Is the buck authorization weapon or season specific?

No. An antlerless deer harvested with a gun or bow in an EAB unit will earn a buck authorization that can be used with either a Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag or an Archery Buck Deer Carcass Tag.

Can I earn a buck for someone else?

Buck authorizations are non-transferable. Only those who tag and register an antlerless deer will be issued a buck authorization. Group hunting is allowed to earn or harvest a buck during the gun season, but only the person who tags and registers an antlerless deer will receive the buck authorization. Only the person who has been issued a buck authorization may use it to tag a buck.

How do I prequalify for a buck for next year (2008)?

During a 2007 deer season, if you tag and register an antlerless deer killed in a Herd Control or CWD Unit that becomes EAB in 2008, you will be prequalified and will be mailed an EAB Authorization for the 2008 deer season in August of 2008. In addition, an EAB authorization issued when you register an antlerless deer in a 2007 EAB unit will be valid in any 2008 EAB unit if it is not used in 2007.