

Firearm Deer Seasons 2025-26

No Sunday Hunting for deer during any firearm season.

Hunting hours: half hour before sunrise to half hour after sunset. Coyote and fox may be harvested incidently while hunting for deer during firearm seasons except for Youth Day. Special Area Zones 37, 38, 39, 53, 54, 61, 64, 66, 67, and 68: see pages 41–43 for details.

* Any antlered deer taken in zones marked with an asterisk must have at least 3 antler points on one side of rack.

Season	Regulation Set	Zones	Dates	Bag Limits	Additional Information
Youth Day Firearm	ALL	ALL Zones Listed Below	Nov. 22, 2025 (See page 18 for details.)	1 deer only (can be either sex)	Must be accompanied by licensed/permitted, non-hunting adult. Antler Point Restriction regula- tion DOES NOT apply. (See page 18 for details.)
Permit Muzzleloader	8	10, 11, 13*, 14, 15, 36, 49, 50, 51	Antlerless Only: Nov. 24–26, 28, and Dec. 8–13, 2025 Either Sex: Dec. 1–2; Dec. 15, 16, 20–24, 26–31, 2025; Jan. 1–Feb. 14, 2026	Unlimited antlerless and 1 antlered	
	7	7, 8, 9*, 12, 17, 41	Antlerless Only: Dec. 8–13, 2025 Either Sex: Dec. 1–2; Dec. 15, 16, 20–24, 26–31, 2025; Jan. 1–Feb. 14, 2026	(2 deer may be taken at a time) To harvest an antlered deer, a Buck Permit — Muzzleloader is also required. Buck Permit is valid in any zone for which hunter has a zone-specific Muzzleloader Permit. Only 1 buck is permitted.	
	6	5, 19, 25, 42, 48	Dec. 1–2; Dec. 15, 16, 20–24, 26–31, 2025; Jan. 1–31, 2026	9 antlerless deer and 1 antlered (2 deer may be taken at a time)	Deer MUST be tagged immediately and reported by 7 p.m. on day harvested. Any coyote harvested must be reported by 8 p.m. Reporting of gray fox harvests requested. Deer harvest must be reported prior to pursuing additional deer, except in zones where it is legal to take two deer at a time.
	5	2, 16, 27*, 28*, 29*, 31*, 35*, 47*	Dec. 1–2; Dec. 15, 16, 20–24, 26–31, 2025; Jan. 1–10, 2026	5 antlerless and 1 antlered	
	3 4	6, 30*, 55, 63*, 65		2 antlerless OR 1 antlerless and 1 antlered	
	2	1, 3*, 4, 18, 22, 26	Dec. 1–2; Dec. 15, 16, 20–24, 26–31, 2025;	1 antlerless and 1 antlered	
	0	21, 23, 24, 34*, 43	Dec. 1–2; Dec. 20, 22–24, 26–31, 2025	1 deer only (can be either sex)	
Permit Shotgun	8	10, 11, 13*, 14, 15, 36, 49, 50, 51	Antlerless Only: Nov. 24–26, 28 and Dec. 8–13, 2025 Either Sex: Dec. 17–19, 2025; Jan. 3–Feb. 14, 2026	Unlimited antierless and 1 antiered	To harvest an antlered deer, a Buck Permit — Shotgun is also required. Buck Permit is valid in any zone for which hunter has a zone-specific Shotgun Permit. Only 1 buck is permitted, see exception below. Note: Shotgun Buck Permit becomes VOID if 2 antlered deer were harvested during Six-day Firearm Season. Deer MUST be tagged immediately and reported by 7 p.m. on day harvested. Any coyote harvested must be reported by 8 p.m. Reporting of gray fox harvests requested. Deer harvest must be reported prior to pursuing additional deer, except in zones where it is legal to take two deer at a time.
	7	7, 8, 9*, 12, 17, 41	Antlerless Only: Dec. 8–13, 2025 Either Sex: Dec. 17–19, 2025; Jan. 3–Feb. 14, 2026	(2 deer may be taken at a time)	
	6	5, 19, 25, 42, 48	Dec. 17–19, 2025; Jan. 3–31, 2026	9 antlerless and 1 antlered (2 deer may be taken at a time)	
	5	2, 16, 27*, 28*, 29*, 31*, 35*, 47*	Dec. 17–19, 2025; Jan. 10–17, 2026	5 antlerless and 1 antlered	
	3 4	6, 30*, 55, 63*, 65	- Dec. 17–19, 2025	2 antlerless OR 1 antlerless and 1 antlered	
	0 2	1, 3*, 4, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 34*, 43		1 deer only (can be either sex)	
Six-day Firearm	ALL	ALL zones listed above	Dec. 8–13, 2025	2 antiered deer Only 1 buck at a time may be taken. Once harvest of first antlered deer is reported, the hunter may pursue a second antiered deer.	NOTE: If 2 bucks are harvested, the buck bag limit for the Permit Shotgun Season becomes ZERO. Deer MUST be tagged immediately and reported by 7 p.m. on day harvested. Any coyote harvested must be reported by 8 p.m. Reporting of gray fox harvests requested.

<u>ATTENTION:</u> Deer Management Zones 45 and 46 will be open for deer hunting during the 2025 Fall Bow, Youth Archery Day, 6-Day Firearm and Youth Firearm Day **ONLY**. All other seasons for Deer Management Zones 45 and 46 are **CLOSED** until further notice.