

## **NDG&F September 26th Newsletter**

### **Deer, Fall Turkey Licenses Available**

As of Sept. 26, interested deer and fall turkey hunters still have time to purchase a license for the 2011 hunting seasons. Hunters should check the North Dakota Game and Fish Department website at [gf.nd.gov](http://gf.nd.gov) for an [updated list of licenses available](#).

While more than 97 percent of North Dakota's deer licenses have been issued, nearly 2,500 antlerless licenses remain for the 2011 season. Doe licenses are available in units 2D, 2L, 3F1, 3F2 and 4F. There is no limit to the number of deer licenses a hunter can receive.

These remaining antlerless licenses – and doe licenses that have already been issued and are printed with second, third or additional concurrent season designations – can be used during any open season: bow season with a bow; the deer gun season with a bow, rifle, or muzzleloader; or during the muzzleloader season with a muzzleloader. Hunters must stay in the unit to which the license is assigned. In addition, remaining licenses in units 3F1, 3F2 and 4F can be used during the special herd reduction season, which is open Sept. 23 through Oct. 7.

North Dakota's 2011 deer gun season runs from Nov. 4-20. The archery season extends through Jan. 8, 2012, and muzzleloader season is Nov. 25 – Dec. 11. License fees are \$20 for residents and \$55 for nonresidents.

Nearly 350 fall turkey licenses remain for the following units: Unit 03, Benson and Ramsey counties and a portion of Pierce County; Unit 25, McHenry County and portions of Pierce and Ward counties; Unit 51, Burke County and portions of Renville, Bottineau and Ward counties; and Unit 99, Mercer and Oliver counties. There is a limit of 15 wild turkey licenses per hunter.

The fall turkey season opens Oct. 8 and continues through Jan. 8, 2012. Turkey licenses are \$8 for residents and \$80 for nonresidents.

Resident and nonresident deer and fall turkey hunters can apply online at the Game and Fish Department website. Applications are also available by calling the Department's Bismarck office at (701) 328-6300.

### **Residents Only on PLOTS, State WMAs**

Out-of-state hunters are reminded that state law does not allow nonresidents to hunt on North Dakota Game and Fish Department owned or managed lands during the first week of the pheasant season.

Private Land Open to Sportsmen acreage and state wildlife management areas are open to hunting by resident hunters only from Oct. 8-14. Nonresidents, however, can still hunt those days on other state-owned and federal lands, or private land.

The law applies to all small game, waterfowl, furbearer and big game hunting on PLOTS and state wildlife management areas during the first seven days of the pheasant season. Starting Oct. 15 this year, nonresidents may hunt on PLOTS and WMAs as long as the appropriate season is open.

**Permit Required to Possess Road-Killed Deer**

North Dakota Game and Fish Department enforcement personnel reminds the public that a permit is required before taking possession, or any part, of a road-killed deer, including the skull with antlers. Permits to possess road-killed deer are free and available from game wardens and local law enforcement offices.

In addition, hunters are reminded to properly dispose of dead deer. Harvested deer cannot be left on the side of a roadway or in a ditch.