Chronic Wasting Disease Regulations

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Surveillance Areas

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**Primary Surveillance Areas**
- Stokes
- Surry
- Wilkes
- Yadkin

**Secondary Surveillance Areas**
- Alexander
- Alleghany
- Ashe
- Davie
- Forsyth
- Guilford
- Iredell
- Rockingham
Surveillance Area 2

- Primary Surveillance Area
  - Cumberland

- Secondary Surveillance Areas
  - Bladen
  - Harnett
  - Hoke
  - Robeson
  - Sampson
Fawn Rehabilitation

- Fawn rehabilitation prohibited in the Surveillance Areas

- Fawns originating from within the Surveillance Areas may not be transported outside the Surveillance Areas

- **Don’t Give it a Ride**
  - Moving live deer may spread CWD to other areas
Baiting/Feeding

- Placement of bait, food, or food products to purposefully congregate wildlife prohibited from January 2nd through August 31st each year inside the Surveillance Areas.

- Minerals and salt licks prohibited year round

- Exceptions:
  - Bird feeders
  - Urban archery season
  - Other activities specifically permitted by the Commission
Baiting/Feeding

- Hunters can continue to use bait during the hunting season
  - This will assist with surveillance and maintaining harvest

- **Slow Transmission Rates**
  - Prohibiting baiting outside of hunting season will avoid unnecessarily congregating deer.
Deer Urine / Attractants

- In North Carolina, hunters may not use or possess any substance that contains any excretion collected from a cervid, including feces, urine, or blood, gland oil, or other bodily fluid, except as listed below:

- Hunters in North Carolina may use:
  - Synthetic products that are labeled as such
  - Natural deer urine and other substances collected from a facility in North Carolina with a valid Farmed Cervid License
  - Products labeled as participating in the Responsible Hunting Scent Association’s Deer Protection Program
  - Products containing natural substances collected by a hunter from a cervid legally harvested in North Carolina, except in CWD Surveillance Areas

Know CWD
Mandatory: Hunters must submit a sample, within two weeks of harvest, for CWD testing from deer they harvest during these dates:

- **Surveillance Area 2**
  - Bladen, Cumberland, Harnett, Hoke, Robeson, and Sampson Counties
  - November 11 - 26, 2023
Mandatory: Hunters must submit a sample, within two weeks of harvest, for CWD testing from deer they harvest during these dates:

- **Surveillance Area 1**
  - Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Davie, Forsyth, Guilford, Iredell, Rockingham, Stokes, Surry, Wilkes, and Yadkin Counties
  - **November 18 – December 3, 2023**
CWD Testing

- **Voluntary:** Hunters are encouraged to submit samples for CWD testing throughout all hunting seasons and from the entire state.

- **Know Where It Is**
  - Testing is critically important to have a good understanding of CWD prevalence and distribution.
CWD Testing

- Tissue sample needed for CWD testing:
  - Retropharyngeal Lymph Nodes
  - Located under jaw
  - Can be collected from head/neck

KNOW CWD
Options for hunters to submit samples include:

- Check stations
- Drop-off freezers
- Cervid Health Cooperators
  - Taxidermists and processors that can collect samples for their customers
- Test results provided to hunter in 4 – 6 weeks
Carcass Transportation

- **Don’t Give it a Ride**
  - Moving carcasses or high-risk carcass parts may spread CWD to other areas
No deer carcass or carcass parts shall be transported outside the Primary Surveillance Areas except:

- Boned-out meat
- Caped hides
- Antlers and cleaned skulls
- Cleaned jawbones and teeth
- Finished taxidermy products
No deer carcass or carcass parts shall be transported outside the Secondary Surveillance Areas except:

- Boned-out meat
- Caped hides
- Antlers and cleaned skulls
- Cleaned jawbones and teeth
- Finished taxidermy products

Deer carcasses or carcass parts may be transported into adjacent Primary Surveillance Areas.
Options for carcass disposal within the Surveillance Areas include:

- Bury the carcass where it was killed
- Landfills
- Lined dumpsters provided by NCWRC
- Leave on ground where killed
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