ATTENTION DEER HUNTERS!

Two Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) surveillance areas have been established for the 2023–24 hunting season. Each surveillance area contains a primary surveillance area, which are counties where CWD has been detected, and a secondary surveillance area, which are additional counties around a primary. The surveillance areas are as follows:

DON’T GIVE IT A RIDE!

The transportation of a deer carcass or carcass parts out of a primary or secondary surveillance area is prohibited except for the following, or as otherwise permitted by the Wildlife Commission:

- Carcasses or carcass parts that originate in a secondary surveillance area may be transported into or through an adjacent primary surveillance area.
- Carcasses or carcass parts that originate in a non-surveillance area county may be transported into or through a primary or secondary surveillance area.
- Meat that has been boned out such that no pieces or fragments of bone remain.
- Caped hides with no part of the skull or spinal column attached.
- Antlers, antlers attached to cleaned skull plates, or skulls free from meat or brain tissue.
- Cleaned lower jawbones with teeth or cleaned teeth.
- Finished taxidermy products and tanned hides.

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MANDATORY CWD TESTING

Heads of deer harvested in surveillance areas during these dates must be submitted for testing within 2 weeks.

**Surveillance Area 1:** Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Davie, Forsyth, Guilford, Iredell, Rockingham, Stokes, Surry, Wilkes, and Yadkin Counties

**NOVEMBER 18—DECEMBER 3, 2023**

**Surveillance Area 2:** Bladen, Cumberland, Harnett, Hoke, Robeson, and Sampson Counties

**NOVEMBER 11—NOVEMBER 26, 2023**

During all other times, CWD testing is voluntary and highly encouraged.

WILDLIFE FEEDING

**Minerals and Salt licks:** The placement of minerals or salt to purposely congregate wildlife is prohibited in primary and secondary surveillance areas.

**Wildlife feeding:** The placement of bait, food, or food products to purposefully congregate wildlife is prohibited from January 2–August 31 in primary and secondary surveillance areas, except for:

- Bird feeders
- Hunting in urban archery seasons in participating municipalities
- Other activities specifically permitted by the Wildlife Commission

*NOTE: Baiting deer is legal in Surveillance Areas from September 1–January 1*

NATURAL DEER ATTRACTANTS/SCENTS

The possession or use of any substance or material containing or labeled as containing any excretion collected from a cervid, including feces, urine, blood, gland oil, or other bodily fluid is prohibited for the purposes of taking or attempting to take, attract, or scout wildlife. This is a statewide prohibition. In addition, natural substances collected by a hunter from a cervid legally harvested in North Carolina may NOT be used or possessed in surveillance areas. In surveillance areas, these prohibitions shall not apply to the following substances:

- 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 from the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (NCDA&CS) and identified/labeled as such
- Products labeled as participating in the Responsible Hunting Scent Association’s Deer Protection Program

CWD TESTING IS AVAILABLE AT:

- DROP-OFF FREEZERS
- WRC-STAFFED CHECK STATIONS
- PARTICIPATING TAXIDERMISTS/PROCESSORS (CERVID HEALTH COOPERATORS)

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