

Title 08 DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Subtitle 03 WILDLIFE

.04 Forest Wildlife.

Authority: Natural Resources Article, §10-408, Annotated Code of Maryland

.05 Devices for Hunting Deer and Black Bear.

A. [Only] *Except as provided in §I of this regulation, only the weapons described in §§B and C of this regulation may be used to hunt deer and black bear. All other weapon types are prohibited for hunting deer or black bear.*

B. – C. (text unchanged)

D. Firearms — Restrictions. In the counties listed below, an individual may hunt deer with a rifle or handgun[, although an air gun, a muzzle loading shotgun, a muzzle loading handgun, or a muzzle loading revolver may be used] *employing a straight-walled cartridge, a shotgun, an air gun, a muzzle loading rifle, a muzzle loading shotgun, a muzzle loading handgun, or a muzzle loading revolver:*

(1) – (13) (text unchanged)

E. In that portion of Frederick County located west of the Monocacy River beginning where Fingerboard Road crosses the river, then by and with the west side of the Monocacy River to the crossing by Biggs Ford Road, then by and with the south side of Biggs Ford Road to the junction with Route 15, then by and with the west side of Route 15 to the junction with Sundays Lane, then by and with the south side of Sundays Lane to the junction with Bloomfield Road, then by and with the east side of Bloomfield Road to the junction with Opossumtown Pike, then by and with the south side of Opossumtown Pike to the junction with Walter Martz Road, then by and with the east side of Walter Martz Road to the junction with Christopher's Crossing, then by and with the south side of Christopher's Crossing to the junction with Walter Martz Road, then by and with the south side of Walter Martz Road to the junction with Rocky Springs Road, then by and with the south and east side of Rocky Springs Road to the junction with Kemp Lane, then by and with the east side of Kemp Lane to the junction with Shookstown Road, then by and with the north side of Shookstown Road to the junction with Bowers Road, then by and with the east side of Bowers Road to the junction West Patrick Street, then by and with the north side of West Patrick Street to the junction with Blentlinger Road, then by and with the east side of Blentlinger Road to the junction with Old National Pike, then by and with the south side of Old National Pike to the junction with Maryland Interstate 70, then by and with the north side of Maryland Interstate 70 to the junction with Route 15, then by and with the east side of Route 15 to the junction with Mt. Zion Road, then by and with the north side of Mt. Zion Road to the junction with Elmer Derr Road, and then by and with the north side of Elmer Derr Road to the junction with New Design Road, then by and with the east side of New Design Road to the junction with Manor Woods Road, then by and with the north side of Manor Woods Road to the junction with Buckystown Pike, then by and with the east side of Buckystown Pike to the junction with Fingerboard Road, and then by and with the north side of Fingerboard Road to the crossing over the Monocacy River, an individual may hunt deer with a rifle[, although a handgun, a shotgun, a muzzle loading rifle, a muzzle loading shotgun, a muzzle loading handgun, or a muzzle loading revolver may be used] *employing a straight-walled cartridge, a handgun, a shotgun, a muzzle loading rifle, a muzzle loading shotgun, a muzzle loading handgun, or a muzzle loading revolver.*

F. (text unchanged)

G. *Except as prohibited by §H of this regulation, [An] an individual may hunt deer with [a] muzzle loading [firearm] firearms, bow, or both, during the muzzle loader firearms season.*

H. *An individual may not possess both a muzzle loading firearm and a bow while hunting when muzzle loading season and bow season overlap or during the February deer hunting season dates.*

I. Primitive Weapon

(1) *An individual may only use a primitive weapon to hunt deer during the February deer hunting season dates.*

(2) *An individual may not use a primitive weapon equipped with:*

(a) *Telescopic or electronic aiming devices; or*

(b) *Release aids; or*

(c) *Draw lock devices.*

(3) *The use of a crossbow is prohibited during the February deer hunting season dates.*

(4) *A muzzle loading firearm used for deer hunting during the February deer hunting season shall be of a flintlock or percussion cap sidelock design. Modern inline muzzle loading firearms are prohibited.*