

2017-2018 Chronic Wasting Disease Proclamation

TRANSPORTATION AND IMPORTATION OF WHITE-TAILED DEER, MULE DEER, ELK, MOOSE, AND OTHER CERVID CARCASSES AND PARTS.

Pursuant to North Dakota law and upon the recommendation of the North Dakota Game and Fish Director, I hereby declare the following a precaution against the possible spread of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) into and within North Dakota:

Baiting.

It shall be unlawful for an individual to hunt big game over bait in deer hunting units 3C west of the Missouri River, 3E1, 3E2, 3F1, and 3F2. As used herein bait includes grain, seed, mineral, salt, fruit, vegetable nut, hay, any naturally derived scent or lure (e.g. urine), or natural or manufactured food placed by an individual. As used herein, baiting does not include agricultural practices; gardens; wildlife food plots; agricultural crops; livestock feeds; fruit or vegetables in their natural location, such as apples on or under an apple tree; or unharvested food or vegetables in a garden. This ban does not apply to wildlife management activities conducted by or under the direction of the North Dakota Game and Fish Department.

Carcass Transportation.

(1) It shall be unlawful to transport into or within North Dakota the whole carcass or carcass parts of white-tailed deer, mule deer, moose, elk, or members of the cervid family from areas within states, provinces or countries with documented occurrences of CWD in wild populations or from farmed cervid operations in states, provinces or countries with documented occurrences of CWD in their farmed cervids except for the following portions of the carcass:

- Meat that is cut and wrapped either commercially or privately.
- Quarters or other portions of meat with no part of the spinal column or head attached.
- Meat that has been boned out.
- Hides with no heads attached.
- Clean (no meat or tissue attached) skull plates with antlers attached.
- Antlers with no meat or tissue attached.
- Upper canine teeth, also known as “buglers”, “whistlers”, or “ivories”.
- Finished taxidermy heads.

(2) Any harvested cervids coming from states, provinces or countries that have free-ranging or captive deer, moose or elk diagnosed with CWD, and importation of harvested elk, mule deer, white-tailed deer, moose, or other cervids or their parts are hereby restricted pursuant to Subsection (1).

United States

Arkansas

Colorado

Illinois

Iowa

Kansas

Maryland

Michigan

Missouri

Minnesota

Nebraska

New Mexico

New York

North Dakota- Deer Hunting Unit 3F2 only - Exemption: gutted deer carcasses can be transported out of the unit to a North Dakota meat processor but must be done so with 5 days of the harvest date. In addition, heads removed from the carcass and taken to a licensed taxidermist or provided to NDGFD for submission for CWD surveillance purposes are exempt

Ohio

Oklahoma

Pennsylvania

South Dakota

Texas

Utah

Virginia

West Virginia

Wisconsin

Wyoming

Canadian Provinces

Alberta

Saskatchewan

Countries

South Korea

Norway

(3) Additional infected state, provinces or countries may be added as necessary. The public will be informed of any additional area via news releases and the Game and Fish Department web site.

Violations and Penalties.

Deer taken in North Dakota deer unit 3F2 and transported in violation of this proclamation shall be noncriminal with a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and the Great Seal of the State of North Dakota this 5th day of May, 2017



Doug Burgum
Governor

Attest:



Secretary of State

Deputy