When out in the woods pursuing deer, turkey or trout, you may encounter a young, seemingly orphaned or injured wild animal. What should you do? Is it hurt? Or sick? Is it abandoned? Should you feed it? Is there a risk of contracting a disease from the animal? Should you take it home?

By Susan Predl, Principal Biologist and
Amy Wells, Wildlife Rehabilitation Program Coordinator

New Jersey has a number of licensed volunteer wildlife rehabilitators who can answer these questions. They work beyond typical office hours and are available seven days per week to assist injured and orphaned wild animals. Wildlife rehabilitators are licensed by New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife to care for young animals until the animal can be released and survive on its own. Rehabilitators are located in fifteen counties and may be licensed to rehabilitate one or many species of mammals, birds and/or reptiles.

Although New Jersey has only 37 licensed rehabilitators, these volunteers rehabilitate approximately 16,000 animals annually. About 40 percent of the wild animals brought to a rehabilitator survive and are successfully released back to the wild. Volunteer rehabilitators answer approximately 46,000 phone calls from the public each year.

Becoming a wildlife rehabilitator is an involved process and includes serving a minimum one-year apprenticeship, proving knowledge about wildlife, providing suitable rehabilitation facilities, acquiring various state and federal permits, passing the facilities inspection, maintaining good records and submitting timely reports.

To ensure the safety of the public and provide the best care for the animal, only persons who demonstrate proper knowledge and ability to care for injured, orphaned or displaced wildlife—from intake to the point of the animal’s release back into their natural habitat—are considered for licensing as wildlife rehabilitators. Being a licensed rehabilitator is a major responsibility and requires time, knowledge and dedication. Wildlife rehabilitators donate their time and do not charge for their services.

Do not attempt to rehabilitate a wild animal yourself. New Jersey has strict laws governing the possession of wildlife. Although well-intentioned, more problems can be created by people mistakenly feeding the wrong food, pouring water in its mouth or handling the animal incorrectly. Most times, what appears to be an orphaned young animal is not orphaned and the best thing to do is leave the animal where it is found. Young mammals such as rabbits, raccoons and fawns are typically left alone for hours at a time while the parent feeds. The adults won’t return while a human is nearby. Generally, unless it is known that the mother has been killed or injured, the public is urged to leave all young wildlife alone.
Young birds typically spend a few precarious days on the ground before learning to fly. Young birds found on the ground can be placed in a shrub and the parent will return to feed it. Keeping cats indoors is the most effective step the public can take to protect vulnerable young birds and mammals. And regarding the handling of young birds or mammals, let us dispel a myth. It is untrue that once handled, human scent on a young animal will keep the parent away. The maternal instinct trumps human scent anytime.

Not every rehabilitator has the experience or the facilities to rehabilitate every type of animal, so call ahead prior to transporting an animal to a rehabilitator for care. Once it has been determined that the animal needs care, the rehabilitator can provide specific directions on the best way to capture and handle the animal.

For information and a list of licensed rehabilitators, go to Fish and Wildlife’s Web site at NJFishandWildlife.com, then click on Wildlife and select Injured/Orphaned Wildlife. If you have no computer access at the time you encounter the animal, contact Fish and Wildlife during business hours at (609) 292-2966 so we may look up the nearest rehabilitator for you.

When you bring a wild animal in need of care to one of these dedicated volunteers, be sure to thank the rehabilitator for their commitment to wildlife and for the time and care they provide.

This Indiana bat, an endangered species, is undergoing a federally approved treatment for White Nose Syndrome. Note the white spots on its wing along with secondary damage evident from frostbite.
Regulations in red are new this year.
Purple text indicates an important note.

Hunting Regulations

Hunting with firearms is prohibited on Nov. 5, 2010 on those WMAs designated as Pheasant and Quail Stamp areas except in tidal marsh open to an ongoing waterfowl season. See Pheasants, page 60.

It is legal to possess and use a .22 caliber rifle and .22 caliber rimfire short cartridge on WMAs only for hunting raccoon and opossum and dispatching trapped animals other than muskrat. Rifles, including muzzleloading rifles, may not be used to hunt woodchucks on WMAs.

Motor Vehicles & Other Forms of Conveyance

No person shall operate an unregistered vehicle on any state WMA. All motor vehicles are restricted to established public roads and parking areas. All motor boats must be properly registered and have all the required safety equipment. (See Outboard Motors, below.)

The use of dog sleds and dog carts, off road vehicles, ATVs, trail bikes, or snowmobiles is prohibited on all WMAs unless authorized by Fish and Wildlife.

Outboard Motors

Only electric motors are allowed on freshwater lakes and ponds owned by NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife areas with the exception of Union Lake where an outboard motor, not exceeding 9.9 hp, may be used. On Prospertown Lake, only manually operated boats and canoes are allowed. All titled boats must also be registered. Any boat mechanically propelled, regardless of length, must be registered. All boats greater than 12 feet, regardless of propulsion means, must be titled and registered.

Restricted Hours

Wildlife management areas are closed from 9 p.m. until 5 a.m. unless engaged in lawful hunting, fishing or trapping activities. Special permission may be granted for Fish and Wildlife-approved activities.

Target Practice

Only archery, shotgun, muzzleloading shotgun, muzzleloading rifle and .22 caliber rimfire rifle shooting is allowed in designated hunter training ranges according to regulations posted at the training area.

The following types of ranges are available on designated WMAs statewide:

- **Shotgun Range**: for use with clay birds and the patterning of fine shot;
- **Archery Range**: approved backstops at select ranges, no broadheads allowed;
- **Muzzleloading Rifle and Shotgun Slug Range**: for sighting in with shotgun slugs or buckshot, .22 caliber rimfire rifles and muzzleloaders; no other firearms allowed. See page 83 for a list of ranges and requirements.

Waterfowl Blinds

No permanent waterfowl blinds, including pit blinds, shall be constructed, hunted from or used in any manner on any of the following WMAs:

- 1. Assunpink
- 6. Manahawkin
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- 2. Black River
- 7. Stafford Forge
- 12. Prospertown
- 3. Colliers Mills
- 8. Whittingham
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- 9. Beaver Swamp
- 5. Tuckahoe
- 10. Sedge Island

Any blind used in these designated areas must be portable and shall be completely removed at the end of the day. Blinds remaining in WMAs will be subject to confiscation and properly disposed of by Fish and Wildlife.

### Dog Training, Exercising & Hunting

A person may exercise or train dogs only in designated dog training areas from May 1 to Aug. 31, inclusive and only on the following select WMAs:

| 5. Glassboro | 10. Salem River |

All dogs must be properly licensed. A person may exercise or train dogs on any WMA from Sept. 1 to March 1. There shall be no exercising or training of dogs on any WMA on Nov. 5, 2010, the Friday before the opening day of the regular small game season.

Additionally regulations involve the release of game birds for training, the use of pigeons, the use of firearms, frozen game birds, the use of call back pens and the release of fox, raccoon, rabbit and hare. For more information call (609) 984-0547.

### Field Trials

Permits for use of wildlife management areas for running of field trials may be granted by the Fish and Wildlife. Permits may be obtained by calling (609) 259-2132.

### Hiobee Beach

Hiobee Beach WMA is closed to hunting from Sept. 1 to Dec. 12, 2010.

### Horseback Riding

Horseback riding is allowed on designated WMAs only by permit from the Division of Fish and Wildlife. Apply online at www.WildlifeLicense.com/NJ/. Horseback riding permits should be displayed on outer clothing while riding. For more information on horseback riding permits, call (609) 259-2132.

### Boat Ramp Maintenance Permit

Any vehicle used to transport or launch a vessel or water conveyance on the following WMAs must have affixed to the lower corner of the driver’s side rear window a boat ramp maintenance permit, or a photocopy of a valid hunting, fishing or trapping license. Be sure your Conservation ID number is clearly displayed; all other personal information may be blacked out for reasons of privacy. The boat ramp maintenance permit fee is $15, available from a license agent or at Fish and Wildlife’s Internet sales site, www.NJFishandWildlife.com/wmaregs.htm.

Persons 70 years and older are not required to obtain a boat ramp maintenance permit and need no license, but must affix to their window proof of age, such as a former license displaying your date of birth.

| 1. Round Valley Angler Access | 5. Mad Horse Creek |
| 2. Assunpink | 6. Union Lake |
| 3. Dennis Creek | 7. Menantico Ponds |
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### Wildlife Management Area (WMA) Ranges

The following information pertains to New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife facilities. Information on privately operated facilities is available at “Where To Shoot,” a site maintained by the National Shooting Sports Foundation at www.whereitoshoot.org

- All WMA regulations apply.
- Ranges are open 8 a.m. to sunset.
- At least one member of the shooting party must have a current, valid New Jersey hunting license in possession.
- Shotgun range: fine shot only. No buckshot or rifled slugs.

#### NORTHERN REGION

**Hunterdon County**  
Clinton WMA  
Route 173W, Clinton  
- Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (100 yards)

**Morris County**  
Black River WMA  
Route 513 (Dover-Chester Road), Chester  
- Archery, open year-round.  
- Shotgun: Closed weekends from the third Saturday in May through the Sunday of Labor Day weekend, as well as on Christmas and Easter. Operating hours are 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. during this summer period, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. for the rest of the year. Hunter education classes will continue at the range and are not affected by these new hours.

**Sussex County**  
Flatbrook WMA  
Route 615, Layton  
- Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (75 yards)

**Warren County**  
Pequest WMA  
Pequest Road, Oxford  
- Archery

#### CENTRAL REGION

**Monmouth County**  
Assunpink WMA  
Imlaystown-Hightstown Rd., Upper Freehold Twp.  
- Archery  
- Shotgun range is closed.

**Turkey Swamp Park**  
Georgia Rd., Freehold Twp.  
- Archery (Special regulations apply; call 732-842-4000.)

**Ocean County**  
Colliers Mills WMA  
Off Colliers Mills & Hawkins Rds., Jackson Twp.  
- Archery  
- Shotgun and muzzleloader ranges are closed.

**Stafford Forge WMA**  
Off Route 539, south of Warren Grove, Little Egg Harbor Twp.  
- Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (100 yards)

#### SOUTHERN REGION

**Atlantic County**  
Makepeace Lake WMA  
Elmwood-Weymouth Road, Weymouth  
- Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (50 yards)

**Gloucester County**  
Winslow WMA  
Piney Hollow Road, Monroe Twp.  
- Archery  
- Shotgun and muzzleloader ranges are closed.

**Cape May County**  
Tuckahoe WMA  
Off Tuckahoe Road (Route 631), Tuckahoe  
- Archery  
- Shotgun range is closed.

**Cumberland County**  
Millville WMA  
Ackley Road (Route 718), Millville  
- Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (100 yards)

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### HUNT SMART Courtesy Card

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Wildlife Programs

Outstanding Deer

Garden State Deer Classic
January 13–16, 2011

At the new Garden State Outdoor Sportsmen’s Show • Raritan Center, Edison, New Jersey

See New Jersey’s most outstanding white-tailed deer for 2009–10
Promises to be the show of the year!
Visit gsoss.com
Awards ceremony on Sunday at 2:30 p.m.
Applications must be received by Nov. 1, 2010 to enter a deer harvested during last year’s 2009-10 hunting seasons. No exceptions!
To arrange for an official measurer to score your New Jersey white-tail, contact Cindy Kuenstner at (609) 633-7598.
Deer will not be measured at the Deer Classic.
See entry details on page 85.

Brought to you by:
NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife
NJ Federation of Sportsmen’s Clubs
United Bowhunters of New Jersey
New Jersey Outdoor Alliance Conservation Foundation
Garden State Outdoor Sportsmen’s Show

QUIT SMART Courtesy Card

I hereby give permission to: (visitor’s name)
to enter my property for the purpose listed on the reverse side of this card. He/she has agreed to act safely, responsibly, and lawfully and to accept responsibility for his/her actions.
Signed___________________________________________________

(landowner, lessee, or operator)

Date _____/_____/_____

Outdoor Recreation on Private Property is a Privilege — NOT A RIGHT

HUNT SMART

I agree to conduct myself safely, responsibly and lawfully, respecting the landowner, property, and others using it. I accept the responsibilities which are part of the activities which I pursue. I agree to comply with the instructions of the landowner while on this property.

I understand that the laws of New Jersey absolve the landowner from liability for non-paying recreationists engaged in hunting, fishing, trapping, boating, hiking, and certain other activities, except in the case of willful or malicious failure to guard or warn of hazards.

Signed___________________________________________________

(landowner, lessee, or operator)

Date _____/_____/_____

This card provided by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
Division of Fish & Wildlife
NEW JERSEY’S OUTSTANDING White-tailed Deer Program, initiated in 1964, includes categories for typical and non-typical antlered deer taken with bow, crossbow, shotgun and muzzleloading rifle, in addition to the weight categories listed below. A velvet category is added for early bow season deer.

In the Antlered Division, New Jersey’s Outstanding Deer Program uses the most common system in North America used for rating antlers as developed by the Boone and Crockett Club. This scoring system gives credit to antler length, spread, number of points, massiveness and symmetry. This measurement system also is used by the Pope & Young Club’s Bowhunting Big Game Records Program. Deer must have been taken under the Boone and Crockett-defined rules of fair chase. Deer taken from enclosed hunting lands are not eligible. It is best to have the rack measured before it is mounted. Don’t wait!

In the Weight Division, the program recognizes exceptional body size as determined by the field dressed weight, including heart and liver removed. Two categories, one for bucks reaching or exceeding 200 pounds (proof of weight must be confirmed on a certified scale*) for buck entries—no truck scales**—with the weighmaster’s signature on a letterhead receipt or on the entry form, available on our Web site and one for field dressed does reaching or exceeding 135 pounds (witnessed, non-certified scale at a deer check station or Fish and Wildlife regional office).

Any properly licensed hunter, regardless of residency, is eligible to enter the Outstanding Deer Program. Deer must be taken in accordance with New Jersey wildlife laws and regulations. Applications are due Nov. 1—NO EXCEPTIONS. Additional rules are included on the official application form which consists of the original score sheet, hunter information form plus a clear photo of the hunter with the deer. These forms with instructions are available on Fish and Wildlife’s Web site NJFishandWildlife.com/outdeer.htm or send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife, Outstanding Deer Program, Mail Code 501-03, P.O. Box 420, Trenton, NJ 08625-0420. State the type of form (Antlered Division, typical or non-typical; Weight Division, 200 Pound Buck or 135 Pound Doe). There is no entry fee.

All qualified entries will be added to New Jersey’s All Time List. For questions, call (609) 633-7598.

Qualifying entries for deer taken during the previous hunting seasons are displayed and recognized at the annual Garden State Deer Classic. Join Fish and Wildlife in celebrating New Jersey’s outstanding white-tailed deer at the Deer Classic in January at the Garden State Outdoor Sportsmen’s Show. See the ad on page 84 for details.

The table to the right is a list of the top-scoring deer and the hunters who showcased the outstanding deer taken during the 2008–2009 deer hunting seasons, not the past 2009–10 hunting seasons. These will be honored at the January 2011 Deer Classic.

* See entry form. A certified scale might be available at the following businesses:
— Warehouse with shipping department
— Concrete, sand and gravel company
— Junk yard or scrap metal recycler
— Marina with party and charter boat fishing

Visit our Web site for a partial list of certified scales or contact your county weights and measures office. Be sure to locate a scale before the hunting season begins!

** A truck scale is not acceptable as the increments are too large.

2010 Garden State Deer Classic Winners*

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135 Pound Doe—Archery

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Fall and Winter Trout Stocking Program

**FANTASTIC TROUT FISHING** opportunities await anglers at dozens of fall and winter trout-stocked streams and lakes in New Jersey. These waters will be stocked with brook, brown and rainbow trout averaging 14 to 16 inches, and weighing 3 to 5 pounds. These two-year old trout are noticeably larger than the 10-inch trout typically stocked in the spring. Shifting to older, larger two-year old trout has been a huge success with Garden State anglers who not only enjoy these fish through the end of the year, but well into next year’s stocking season. Experience for yourself what New Jersey anglers have been raving about!

Fish and Wildlife stocks approximately 20,000 large trout during the two-week fall stocking period, and about 1,000 of these are exceptionally large rainbow trout broodstock measuring 18–20 inches. About 5,000 trout are stocked for winter trout fishing just days before the Thanksgiving holiday.

Since waters are stocked throughout the state, there’s bound to be a trout-stocked pond, lake or stream near you. Don’t miss out on the fun this fall and winter at a chance to catch a lunker trout!

Anglers are reminded that all streams and lakes are open to fishing on the day of stocking in the fall and winter.

All stocking dates are announced on the:
- Trout Hotline (609) 633-6765
Directions to public access locations for trout-stocked waters are also on our web site.

### Fall Trout-Stocked Rivers and Lakes
Fall stocking will occur in the weeks beginning Oct. 5 and Oct. 12, 2010. When available, the stocking schedule will be posted on Fish and Wildlife’s Web site and the Trout Stocking Hotline.

- **Atlantic County:** Birch Grove Park Pond
- **Bergen County:** Mill Pond
- **Camden County:** Haddon Lake, Rowlands Pond
- **Cumberland County:** Shaws Mill Pond
- **Essex County:** Verona Park Lake
- **Gloucester County:** Mullica Hill Pond
- **Hudson County:** Woodcliff Lake
- **Hunterdon County:** Amwell Lake
- **Middlesex County:** Hook’s Creek Lake, Monmouth County: Spring Lake, Topenemus Lake
- **Morris County:** Mt. Hope Pond, Speedwell Lake
- **Ocean County:** Lake Shenandoah
- **Passaic County:** Barbour’s Pond, Green Turtle Pond

WINTER TROUT-STOCKED LAKES
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### Winter Trout-Stocked Lakes

#### Ocean County:
- N/Br. & S/Br. Metedeconk River, Toms River
- Passaic County: Wanaque River
- Salem County: Schadler’s Sand Wash Pond
- Somerset County: N/Br. & S/Br. Raritan River
- Sussex County: Big Flat Brook, Musconetcong River, E/Br., W/Br. and mainstem Paulinskill River, Pequest River, Wallkill River
- Warren County: Musconetcong River, Paulinskill River, Pequest River, Pohatcong Creek

### Create Your Own WMA Map
New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has a Web-based tool called NJ-GeoWeb. Those with Internet access can create maps for any Wildlife Management Area. NJ-GeoWeb provides a wealth of other environmental information, too!

This interactive program is updated on a regular basis so most of the latest information is available.

To access NJ-GeoWeb, go to the DEP’s Web site at www.state.nj.us/dep. Click the i-MapNJ button in the left column, then select NJ-GeoWeb. Those without Internet access can request a specific wildlife management area by calling (609) 984-0547.

### Continue the Tradition
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Links to maps, special areas, and listings: [NJ-GeoWeb](http://www.state.nj.us/dep/njgs/pricelist/)

- [State Parks and Forests Maps](http://www.state.nj.us/dep/njgs/pricelist/) (maps of lands administered by the Department of Environmental Protection)
- [Wildlife Management Area Maps](http://www.state.nj.us/dep/njis/)

**Maps and information on hunting land is also available from the following sources:**

- [USGS Topographic Maps](http://www.topoquest.com/)
- [NJDEP Office of Constituent Services](http://www.state.nj.us/dep/)

**State Parks and Forests Maps**

Maps and information on lands administered by the Division of Parks and Forestry. Please specify park or forest name.

- [NJ Department of Environmental Protection](http://www.state.nj.us/dep/)
- [Division of Parks and Forestry](http://www.state.nj.us/dep/)

**Wildlife Management Area Maps**

Maps and information on lands administered by NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife. Check the NJDEP website for detailed information.

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Download maps from our website at [NJFishandWildlife.com/vmapland.htm](http://www.NJFishandWildlife.com/vmapland.htm) or create your own map at NJ-GeoWeb, see page 86.
SAFETY ZONE Awareness: Protecting Your Hunting Privilege

NEW JERSEY HUNTERS enjoy many types of hunting, numerous days afield and generous bag limits. But development and other human encroachment on the forests and fields of the Garden State has changed both wildlife habitat and land suitable for hunting, such that SAFETY ZONE awareness is even more critical for hunters.

What is a SAFETY ZONE?

• The SAFETY ZONE is the area within 450 feet of a building or school playground, even if not occupied. For bowhunters, note that at press time, pending legislation to reduce the safety zone awaits action by the governor. See Safety Zone, page 26.
• The SAFETY ZONE is the place where you, the hunter, cannot carry a loaded firearm or nocked arrow unless you have written permission in hand.
• The SAFETY ZONE was established by legislation in 1946 as an area to place some physical distance, a buffer, between hunters and homeowners.
• The SAFETY ZONE could be land where there is suitable wildlife habitat for adaptable species, like the white-tailed deer, cottontail rabbit and Canada goose.
• The SAFETY ZONE is not a magic shield and cannot stop a misdirected projectile from entering the area around a home.

What can you do to heighten your SAFETY ZONE awareness?

1. Post SAFETY ZONE signs.
2. Talk with landowners.
3. Hunt SMART and remind your hunting partners to Hunt SMART.
4. Know the law.
   Remember, failure to hunt safely and responsibly is inexcusable. You must always be a responsible hunter, aware of your surroundings, the target and what may lie beyond the target. The principles of hunter education do not disappear at the completion of a course, but are called into practice every time you hunt.
   Take special care hunting on “high visibility” property, habitat where our adaptable wildlife species—especially white-tailed deer—are flourishing. Here, hunter conduct will be watched closely; the image we portray can have a great impact on the tolerance for our sport. So hunting these special areas carries added responsibility for you, as a hunter, to exercise restraint and make superior judgment decisions.


Hunting on national wildlife refuges is not permitted unless specifically opened as listed below.

No Sunday hunting on national wildlife refuges.

Cape May NWR
24 Kimbles Beach Road, Cape May Court House, NJ 08210 (609) 463-0994; fws.gov/northeast/capemay
• Deer—Special Areas Hunting Season Information; see page 50.
• Migratory game birds except crow—on refuge lands north of Rt. 550 or west of Rt. 47
   No refuge permit is required. Special hunting conditions apply. Contact refuge office for information.

Great Swamp NWR
241 Pleasant Plains Road, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920-9615 (973) 425-1222; fws.gov/northeast/greatswamp
• Deer—Special Areas Hunting Season Information; see page 50.
   In addition to required state licenses and permits, hunters must obtain a Refuge permit for $26 ($13 for holders of a Senior Golden Age or Golden Access Passport and youths with a valid 2010 New Jersey youth hunting license).

Edwin B. Forsythe NWR
800 Great Creek Road, Oceanville, NJ 08231-0072; (609) 652-1665; fws.gov/northeast/forsythe
• Deer—Special Areas Hunting Season Information; see page 50.
• Waterfowl
• Special Waterfowl Hunts
   Hunters wanting to participate in the special waterfowl hunts must have a reservation. Special hunting conditions apply. Information can be obtained at the refuge, at dispensers, at the headquarters, on the refuge Web site, or through the mail.

Supawna Meadows NWR
c/o Cape May NWR, 24 Kimbles Beach Rd., Cape May Court House, NJ 08210, (609) 463-0994; fws.gov/northeast/nj/spm.htm
• Deer—Bowhunting only. Special Areas Hunting Season Information; see page 50.
• Waterfowl
• Special hunting conditions apply. Contact refuge manager for information.

Wallkill River NWR
1547 County Rt. 565, Sussex, NJ 07461-4013; (973) 702-7266; wallkillriver.fws.gov
• Deer—Special Areas Hunting Season Information; see page 50.
• Migratory Birds except crow
• Spring and Fall Turkey (Zone 5)
• September Canada Goose
   In addition to required state licenses and permits, hunters must obtain a refuge permit. There is a $20 fee for a refuge permit except youths are free, seniors with a Golden Age passport are $10. Special hunting conditions apply.

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