

4. All feed must be completely removed 10 days prior to hunting.

5. Feeding of migratory birds is regulated pursuant to Federal regulations set forth at 50 CFR 20.11 and 20.21(i).

6. A violation of this rule shall be a violation of MISS. CODE ANN. §49-4-41, which is a Class II violation, and punishable as provided in MISS. CODE ANN. §49-7-143.

G. NOTHING SET FORTH IN THIS RULE, SHALL BE CONSTRUED AS AUTHORIZING OR ALLOWING THE TAKING OF DEER OR ANY OTHER GAME ANIMAL OR BIRD, WITH THE AID OF BAIT.

H. Chronic Wasting Disease Management Zone

1. Supplemental feeding of white-tailed deer outside of enclosures is prohibited within any MDWFP-defined CWD Management Zone.

I. A violation of this rule shall be a violation of MISS. CODE ANN. §49-4-41, which is a Class II violation, and punishable as provided in MISS. CODE ANN. §49-7-143.

History: Revised January 2019.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, 49-7-33, 49-7-33.1, 49-7-101, and 49-7-143.

*RULE 2.5 SPECIAL HUNTS FOR YOUTH AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.*

A. The Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks, in a partnership with any conservation organization or non-profit organization, may hold an annual deer hunt for disabled youths outside the open season on deer.

B. Youths eligible to participate in this special hunt are those 17 years of age and younger.

History: Revised July 2013.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4, 49-7-38.1, and 49-7-39.

*RULE 2.6 REHABILITATION OF WHITE-TAILED DEER.* Public Notice W 3806 is hereby amended.

A. Persons or organizations may be issued an Administrative Possession Permit for the purpose of rehabilitating native wildlife for eventual release back into the wild.

B. As specifically pertains to white-tailed deer, possession of and rehabilitation activities shall be conducted at and restricted to the physical geographic location designated on the

Administrative Possession Permit. Possession and rehabilitation activities at organizational members' residences, businesses, satellite facilities, or other physical locations not designated on the Administrative Possession Permit are prohibited.

C. Exceptions to this rule are:

1. Temporary possession by a licensed veterinarian who is providing medical care to an injured, orphaned, or diseased animal.

2. Temporary possession by an individual who is transporting an animal to the Permittee's designated rehabilitation facility, to a licensed veterinarian for medical care, or for release into the wild.

D. Violation of this rule shall constitute a misdemeanor and shall be punished as provided in MISS. CODE ANN. §49-7-101.

Source: MISS. CODE ANN. §§49-1-29, 49-4-4.

*RULE 2.7 PROHIBITION ON CERVID CARCASS IMPORTATION/EXPORTATION, TO PROTECT MISSISSIPPI FROM CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE.*

A. For the purpose of this rule, cervids include any member of the Cervidae family, including white-tailed deer, elk, moose, red deer, sika deer, fallow deer, mule deer and caribou.

B. It is unlawful to:

1. Import, transport, or possess any portion of a cervid carcass originating from any state, territory, or foreign country (outside of the State of Mississippi).

2. Transport any portion of a cervid carcass outside of an MDWFP-defined CWD Management Zone.

3. Transport any portion of a cervid carcass outside of an MDWFP-defined CWD Management Zone from Arkansas or Louisiana lands east of the Mississippi River that lie within that zone.

4. Export, carry, move, transport, or otherwise cause any portion of a cervid carcass originating from inside the State of Mississippi, and inside of an MDWFP-defined CWD Management Zone, across, over, or into any state, territory, or foreign country, outside the boundaries of the State of Mississippi.

C. This rule does not apply to:

1. Meat from cervids that has been completely deboned.

2. Antlers, antlers attached to cleaned skull plates or cleaned skulls where no tissue is attached to the skull.