



2023 ANTLERLESS DEER DRAW

IMPORTANT FACTS

- Resident hunters who want the opportunity to hunt antlerless deer (does and fawns) must hold an active Resident Deer and Game Bird licence to enter the Antlerless Deer Draw.
- Applicants must be 16 years of age or older **at the time of application**, have their principal place of residence in the Province of New Brunswick and must not have had their hunting privileges revoked under the authority of the New Brunswick *Fish and Wildlife Act*.
- **Application fee is \$4.60 HST included and is non-refundable.**
- Applications are limited to one per person.
- You may apply for only **one** Wildlife Management Zone (WMZ). **Before** choosing a zone, familiarize yourself with WMZ boundaries by visiting the DNRED [Go Hunting](#) webpage and consult the table on the next page for WMZ licence quotas.
- Antlerless Deer Authorizations are allocated by a random computerized draw.
- Successful applicants for a specific WMZ are chosen based on the last 2 digits of their 2023 Resident Deer and Game Bird licence.
- If, after you purchase your licence, you complete the Bowhunter Education course in NB, your profile will be automatically updated to include Bow/Crossbow on your licence. If you complete a Bowhunter Education course out of province, you may update your profile online, at an authorized vendor or Service New Brunswick (SNB) center, to include the bow course. You will need to reprint your licence.
- The 2023 draw quotas and a summary of the 2022 draw are detailed on this fact sheet.
- All licensed hunters may hunt deer with **visible antlers** during the open deer season.
- Only hunters with an Antlerless Deer Authorization on their deer licence may hunt **antlerless deer** in the zone that is indicated on the licence.
- The annual bag limit is one deer per licensed hunter, regardless of the sex, age, location of kill, or authorization possessed. (See the [Hunt & Trap book](#) for exceptions).
- **You must purchase your 2023 Resident Deer and Game Bird licence at least 48 hours prior to hunting for deer. If you were successful in the draw, you must have your Antlerless Deer Authorization on your printed licence prior to hunting.**

DRAW APPLICATIONS ARE ACCEPTED FROM JULY 24 TO AUGUST 18
DRAW RESULTS ARE AVAILABLE SEPTEMBER 5

HOW TO APPLY

- Applications can be made online at www.gnb.ca/fishwildlife and by clicking **Buy a licence / Apply for a Draw / Get an Outdoors Card**. Online applications are accepted until August 18 at 11:59 p.m.
- Applications can be made in person at any authorized vendor or SNB location until the close of regular business hours on August 18.
- You must indicate in your application how you wish to be notified if **successful** in the draw: by email (you will receive an email on September 5 and must reprint your licence) or by mail (you will receive an updated licence indicating the Antlerless Deer Authorization by mail in 10-15 business days).

HOW TO CHECK RESULTS

- Results will be available online, on September 5, at www.gnb.ca/fishwildlife and by clicking **Apply for a Draw**.
- **Reminder for successful applicants: you must carry the updated licence indicating your Antlerless Deer Authorization while deer hunting.** You can reprint your licence online (free) or get a reprint in person from an authorized vendor or SNB location (\$6.04).

HUNTER EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

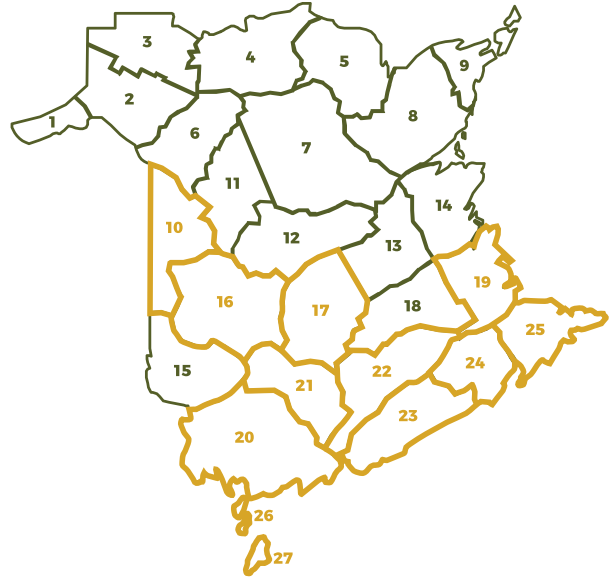
- All gun hunters born on or after January 1, 1981, and all first-time gun hunters must complete a Firearms Safety / Hunter Education course.
- Gun hunters who were born prior to January 1, 1981, and who are not first-time hunters, may show a previous hunting licence as proof of experience.
- All bow hunters and crossbow hunters must complete a recognized stand-alone Bowhunter Education course or if born prior to January 1, 1981, have proof of a previous hunting licence allowing use of a bow or crossbow.
- Firearms Safety/Hunter Education and Bowhunter Education certificates from other provinces, territories and the United States are valid in New Brunswick.

Be sure to follow all requirements under the *Fish and Wildlife Act* and the Hunting Regulation. Consult the [Hunt & Trap book](#) for more information.

Remember, the privilege to hunt does not include the right to trespass. Please help to keep the welcome we now enjoy!



2023 DEER HUNTING SEASONS
<p style="text-align: center;">* Archery Season: October 2 to November 19 WMZ 6-8; 10-27</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">** Firearms Season: October 23 to November 19 WMZ 6-8; 10-27</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">* In WMZ 1-3, deer archery season is October 2 – November 5 (Antlered deer only)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">** In WMZ 1-3, deer firearms season is October 23 - November 5 (Antlered deer only)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">WMZ 4, 5 and 9 are closed to deer hunting</p>



2022 Antlerless Deer Draw Summary					2023 Antlerless Deer Quotas	
WMZ	2022 Quota	Number of Applications	Number Successful	% Successful	WMZ	2023 Quota
1	0	0	0	N/A	1	0
2	0	0	0	N/A	2	0
3	0	0	0	N/A	3	0
4	0	0	0	N/A	4	0
5	0	0	0	N/A	5	0
6	0	0	0	N/A	6	0
7	0	0	0	N/A	7	0
8	0	0	0	N/A	8	0
9	0	0	0	N/A	9	0
10	0	0	0	N/A	10	50
11	0	0	0	N/A	11	0
12	0	0	0	N/A	12	0
13	0	0	0	N/A	13	0
14	0	0	0	N/A	14	0
15	0	0	0	N/A	15	0
16	150	1,052	150	14%	16	200
17	0	0	0	N/A	17	100
18	0	0	0	N/A	18	0
19	200	580	200	34%	19	300
20	1,400	1,879	1,414	75%	20	2,000
21	150	403	152	38%	21	150
22	2,200	2,831	2,213	78%	22	2,400
23	2,000	1,741	1,741	100%	23	2,200
24	150	417	151	36%	24	150
25	200	641	201	31%	25	300
26	100	113	101	89%	26	150
27	450	355	355	100%	27	400
Total	7,000	10,012	6,678	67%	Total	8,400