

Harvest Registration



For all deer, bear, turkey, sharp-tailed grouse, and select furbearers

All deer, bear, sharp-tailed grouse and turkey are registered through [GameReg](#), an electronic registration system that collects harvest information from the hunter and returns a 10-character confirmation number for the hunter's records. Hunters may register harvests over the internet or phone. For deer and bear, hunters may also visit an in-person registration station to register using one of the above methods. Bobcat, fisher and otter are **reported** through [GameReg](#) using the same options and **registered** in-person through conservation wardens and other authorized DNR personnel. Please visit dnr.wi.gov, keyword "[trap](#)" for more information.

GO WILD WITH GAMEREG

Register in minutes online at gamereg.wi.gov!

View licenses and tags through your Go Wild account at gowild.wi.gov.

How does GameReg work?

Hunters and trappers will have several options for registering or reporting their harvests, including:

- » **Online (fastest and easiest method):** On a computer or mobile device, go to gamereg.wi.gov and enter your harvest information.
- » **Phone:** Dial 1-844-GAME-REG (1-844-426-3734) and follow the prompts to provide harvest information.
- » **In Person (deer and bear):** Visit a designated in-person registration station that offers a phone or computer to hunters for registration. Participating [registration stations](#) will be listed on the department website prior to the start of the fall hunting seasons.
- » **Bobcat, fisher and otter: Report within 24 hours using one of the above methods.** Then, contact a conservation warden to register your harvest within 7 days of the end of the month of harvest. Tagging, reporting and registration information can be found on the DNR website keyword "[trap](#)."

Registration of all deer, bear, turkey, sharp-tailed grouse, bobcat, fisher and otter remains mandatory in Wisconsin! It is not an option.

Special Rules for Deer and Turkey

- » Hunters are no longer required to validate or attach paper carcass tags to a deer or turkey harvest, and are no longer required to keep the tag with the meat following registration. Instead, hunters will carry hard copy or electronic deer and turkey harvest authorizations, and will use the unique harvest authorization number to begin the registration process.
- » Upon successfully registering, the hunter will receive a 10-character confirmation number that should be retained for the hunter's records and will be required if the game is taken to a taxidermist or meat processor. The confirmation number indicates to a conservation warden, wildlife biologist or meat processor that the animal has been properly registered.
- » All deer and turkey must be registered by 5 p.m. the day after recovery.
- » Although all registration is electronic, the department may require tissue sampling. CWD sampling continues in Wisconsin and hunters may be asked to submit tissue samples from deer. The department may require in-person registration.

Special Rules for Bear and Sharp-tailed Grouse

- » The validated paper carcass tag does not need to be immediately attached to the animal as long as the hunter does not leave the animal. If you leave it, tag it!
- » Upon successfully registering, the hunter will receive a 10-character confirmation number that should be retained for the hunter's records. This number no longer needs to be written on the carcass tag, but will be required if the game is taken to a taxidermist or meat processor. The confirmation number indicates to a conservation warden, wildlife biologist or meat processor that the animal has been properly registered.
- » The validated carcass tag with confirmation number must be retained by the hunter until the meat is consumed. Protecting paper tags in a plastic ziplock bag is recommended.
- » All bear must be registered by 5 p.m. the day after the animal was recovered and tagged.
- » Although all registration is electronic, the department may require tissue sampling. Tooth samples from all harvested bears are required. Collection materials and instructions will be mailed to permit holders prior to the start of the bear season.

Registration Reminders

- » You will need the unique tag or authorization number from your tag or harvest authorization to begin the harvest registration process. Enter the correct zone, county/Deer Management Unit/Game Management Unit, and land type (deer only—public or private) during registration. When registering by phone, enter the correct [three-digit county number](#) when prompted by using your phone keypad to spell the first three letters of the county of kill (i.e. 232 for Adams).
- » Animals that have been harvested under the authority of an agriculture damage or nuisance permit can also be registered through GameReg.
- » Once all information has been entered and verified, GameReg will issue the 10-character confirmation number. If you need to retrieve your confirmation number, you can look it up on your GoWild account or call 1-888-936-7463 for assistance.