

# 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.

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Register in minutes online at [gamereg.wi.gov!](#)

View licenses and print 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.** Contact a conservation warden to register your harvest within 5 days of the end of the month of harvest.

## Special Rules

- » **Registration of all deer, bear, turkey, sharp-tailed grouse, bobcat, fisher and otter remains mandatory in Wisconsin!** It is not an option.
- » The following special rules do not pertain to bobcat, fisher and otter. Tagging, reporting and registration information for bobcat, fisher and otter can be found on the DNR website keyword "[trap](#)."
- » 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 should be retained and may 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.
- » For all species except deer and turkey, the validated 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! Deer and turkey are no longer required to be tagged.
- » For all species except deer and turkey, the validated carcass tag must be retained by the hunter until the meat is consumed. Protecting paper tags in a plastic ziplock bag is recommended.
- » All deer, bear and turkey must be registered by 5 p.m. the day after the animal was recovered.
- » Although all registration is electronic, the department may require tissue sampling in some cases.
  - 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.
  - CWD sampling continues in Wisconsin and hunters may be asked to submit tissue samples from deer. The department may require in-person registration.

## Registration Reminders

- » You will need the unique tag or authorization number from your tag 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, call 1-888-936-7463 for assistance.