

NJDEP Division of Fish and Wildlife 2021-2022 Deer Regulation Sets

Regulation Set #0	
Zones	21, 23, 24, 34*, 43, 45, 46
Info	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. No firearm deer hunting on Sunday. Limited Sunday bowhunting allowed • Note: Only one antlerless permit, per zone, may be purchased in each permit season. If a hunter purchases an antlerless permit for more than one zone in a season, the Antlered Buck Permit is valid for a ONE TIME USE in only ONE of the corresponding zones for that season. Properly licensed hunters are still limited to ONE antlered buck per season, regardless of the number of antlerless permits purchased.
Fall Bow	Oct. 2 – Oct. 29, 2021 Season bag limit is one deer of either sex.
Youth Day	Sept. 25, 2021— Bow Only Nov. 20, 2021 — Firearm Only — Season bag limit is one deer of either sex for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Fall
Permit Bow	Oct. 30 – Nov. 20, 2021 Season bag limit is one deer of either sex if the Antlered Buck Bow Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Bow Permit then the bag limit is one antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)
Permit Muzzleloader	Nov. 29 and 30 and Dec. 18-24, 27-31, 2021 Season bag limit is one deer of either sex if the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit then the bag limit is one antlerless deer. (See Note above.)
Six-day Firearm	Dec. 6-11, 2021 Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.
Permit Shotgun Season	Dec. 15-17, 2021 Season bag limit is one deer. This deer may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit, or harvested two antlered deer during the Six-day Firearm Season, then the bag limit is one antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)
Winter Bow	Jan. 1–31, 2022 Season bag limit is one deer of either sex.

Regulation Set #1	
Zones	NO ZONES ASSIGNED
Info	
Fall Bow	
Youth Day	
Permit Bow	
Permit Muzzleloader	
Six-day Firearm	
Permit Shotgun Season	
Winter Bow	

Regulation Set #2

Zones	1, 3*, 4, 18, 22, 26
Info	<p>* Any antlered deer taken in Zone 3 must have at least three antler points on one side of the rack.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. No firearm deer hunting on Sunday. Limited Sunday bowhunting allowed • Note: Only one antlerless permit, per zone, may be purchased in each permit season. If a hunter purchases an antlerless permit for more than one zone in a season, the Antlered Buck Permit is valid for a ONE TIME USE in only ONE of the corresponding zones for that season. Properly licensed hunters are still limited to ONE antlered buck
Fall Bow	<p>Oct. 2 – Oct. 29, 2021</p> <p>Season bag limit is two deer—only ONE may be antlerless and ONE may be antlered. Hunters may NOT harvest two antlerless deer.</p>
Youth Day	<p>Sept. 25, 2021—Bow Only—</p> <p>Nov. 20, 2021—Firearm Only—</p> <p>Season bag limit is one deer of either sex for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm Season.</p>
Permit Bow	<p>Oct. 30 – Nov. 28, 2021</p> <p>Season bag limit is two deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Bow Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Bow Permit then the bag limit is one antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>
Permit Muzzleloader	<p>Nov. 29 and 30 and Dec. 13, 14, 18-24, 27-31, 2021</p> <p>Season bag limit is two deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit, then the bag limit is one antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>
Six-day Firearm	<p>Dec. 6-11, 2021</p> <p>Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.</p>
Permit Shotgun Season	<p>Dec. 15-17, 2021</p> <p>Season bag limit is one deer. This deer may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit or harvested two antlered deer during the Six-day firearm season, then the bag limit is one antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>
Winter Bow	<p>Jan. 1-31, 2022</p> <p>Season bag limit is two deer—only ONE may be antlerless and ONE may be antlered. Hunters may NOT harvest two antlerless deer.</p>

Regulation Set #3

Zones	30*, 55, 63*, 65
Info	<p>* Any antlered deer taken in Zone 30 or 63 must have at least three antler points on one side of the rack.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. No firearm deer hunting on Sunday. Limited Sunday bowhunting allowed • Note: Only one antlerless permit, per zone, may be purchased in each permit season. If a hunter purchases an antlerless permit for more than one zone in a season, the Antlered Buck Permit is valid for a ONE TIME USE in only ONE of the corresponding zones for that season. Properly licensed hunters are still limited to ONE antlered buck
Fall Bow	<p>Oct. 2 – Oct. 29, 2021</p> <p>Season bag limit is two deer—only ONE may be antlered.</p>
Youth Day	<p>Sept. 25, 2021—Bow Only—</p> <p>Nov. 20, 2021—Firearm Only—</p> <p>Season bag limit is one deer of either sex for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm Season.</p>
Permit Bow	<p>Oct. 30 – Nov. 28, 2021</p> <p>Season bag limit is two deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Bow Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Bow Permit then the bag limit is two antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>
Permit Muzzleloader	<p>Nov. 29 and 30 and Dec. 13, 14, 18-24, 27-31, 2021; Jan.1-7, 2022</p> <p>Season bag limit is two deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit, then the bag limit is two antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>
Six-day Firearm	<p>Dec. 6-11, 2021</p> <p>Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.</p>
Permit Shotgun Season	<p>Dec. 15-17, 2021</p> <p>Season bag limit is two deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit or harvested two antlered deer during the Six-day firearm season, then the bag limit is two antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>
Winter Bow	<p>Jan. 1-31, 2022</p> <p>Season bag limit is two deer—only ONE may be antlered</p>

Regulation Set #4

Zones	6
Info	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. No firearm deer hunting on Sunday. Limited Sunday bowhunting allowed • Note: Only one antlerless permit, per zone, may be purchased in each permit season. If a hunter purchases an antlerless permit for more than one zone in a season, the Antlered Buck Permit is valid for a ONE TIME USE in only ONE of the corresponding zones for that season. Properly licensed hunters are still limited to ONE antlered buck per season, regardless of the number of antlerless permits purchased.
Fall Bow	<p><i>First deer MUST be Antlerless:</i> Sept. 11-Oct.1 <i>Antlered or Antlerless:</i> Oct. 2 – Oct. 29, 2021 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.</p>
Youth Day	<p>Sept. 25, 2021—Bow Only— Nov. 20, 2021—Firearm Only— Season bag limit is one deer of either sex for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm Season.</p>
Permit Bow	<p>Oct. 30–Dec.24, 26-31, 2021 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Bow Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Bow Permit then the bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>
Permit Muzzleloader	<p>Nov. 29 and 30 and Dec. 13, 14, 18-24, 27–31, 2021; Jan.1-7, 2022 Season bag limit is two deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit, then the bag limit is two antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>
Six-day Firearm	<p>Dec. 6-11, 2021 Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.</p>
Permit Shotgun Season	<p>Dec. 15-17, 2021 Season bag limit is two deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit or harvested two antlered deer during the Six-day firearm season, then</p>

the bag limit is two antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)
Winter Bow Jan. 1–31, 2022 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer—only ONE may be antlered.

Regulation Set #5	
Zones	2, 16, 27*, 28*, 29*, 31*, 35*, 47*
Info	<p>* Any antlered deer taken in Zone 27, 28, 29, 31, 35, 47 or 63 must have at least three antler points on one side of the rack.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. No firearm deer hunting on Sunday. Limited Sunday bowhunting allowed • Note: Only one antlerless permit, per zone, may be purchased in each permit season. If a hunter purchases an antlerless permit for more than one zone in a season, the Antlered Buck Permit is valid for a ONE TIME USE in only ONE of the corresponding zones for that season. Properly licensed hunters are still limited to ONE antlered buck per season, regardless of the number of antlerless permits purchased.
Fall Bow	<p><i>First deer MUST be Antlerless:</i> Sept. 11- Oct. 1, 2021</p> <p><i>Antlered or Antlerless:</i> Oct.2 – Oct. 29, 2021</p> <p>Season bag limit is five antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.</p>
Youth Day	<p>Sept. 25, 2021—Bow Only—</p> <p>Nov. 20, 2021—Firearm Only—</p> <p>Season bag limit is one deer of either sex for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm Season.</p>
Permit Bow	<p>Oct. 30–Dec.24, 26-31, 2021</p> <p>Season bag limit is five antlerless deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Bow Permit is purchased. (See Note above.)</p>
Permit Muzzleloader	<p>Nov. 29 and 30 and Dec. 13, 14, 18-24, 27–31, 2021; Jan.1-7, 2022</p> <p>Season bag limit is five antlerless deer. ONE antlered deer may be harvested if the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit, then the bag limit is five antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)</p>

Six-day Firearm	Dec. 6-11, 2021 Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.
Permit Shotgun Season	Dec. 15-17, 2021 and Jan. 8-15, 2022 Season bag limit is five antlerless deer. ONE antlered deer may be harvested if the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter harvests two antlered deer during the Six-day Firearm Season, then the bag limit is five antlerless deer only. (See Note above.)
Winter Bow	Jan. 1-31, 2022 Season bag limit is five antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

Regulation Set #6	
Zones	5, 19, 25, 42, 48
Info	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. No firearm deer hunting on Sundays. Limited Sunday bowhunting allowed • Note: Only one antlerless permit, per zone, may be purchased in each permit season. If a hunter purchases an antlerless permit for more than one zone in a season, the Antlered Buck Permit is valid for a ONE TIME USE in only ONE of the corresponding zones for that season. Properly licensed hunters are still limited to ONE antlered buck per season, regardless of the number of antlerless permits purchased.
Fall Bow	<p><i>First deer MUST be Antlerless:</i> Sept. 11 - Oct. 1, 2021</p> <p><i>Antlered or Antlerless:</i> Oct. 2 - Oct. 29, 2021</p> <p>Season bag limit is nine antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at a time.</p>
Youth Day	<p>Sept. 25, 2021—Bow Only—</p> <p>Nov. 20, 2021—Firearm Only—</p> <p>Season bag limit is one deer of either sex for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm Season.</p>
Permit Bow	<p>Oct. 30-Dec.24, 26-31, 2021</p> <p>Season bag limit is nine antlerless deer. ONE may be antlered if the Antlered Buck Bow Permit is purchased. Two deer may be taken at a time. (See Note above.)</p>

Permit Muzzleloader	Nov. 29 and 30 and Dec. 13, 14, 18-24, 27-31, 2021; Jan.1-31,2022 Season bag limit is nine antlerless deer. ONE antlered deer may be harvested if the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit, then the bag limit is nine antlerless deer only. Two deer may be taken at a time. (See Note above.)
Six-day Firearm	Dec. 6-11, 2021 Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.
Permit Shotgun Season	Dec. 15-17, 2021 and Jan. 1-31, 2022 Season bag limit is nine antlerless deer. ONE antlered deer may be harvested if the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter harvests two antlered deer during the Six-day firearm Season, then the bag limit is nine antlerless deer only. Two deer may be taken at a time. (See Note above.)
Winter Bow	Jan. 1-31, 2022 Season bag limit is nine antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at one time.

Regulation Set #7	
Zones	7, 8, 9*, 12, 17, 41
Info	<p>* Any antlered deer taken in Zones 9 must have at least three antler points on one side of the rack.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. No firearm deer hunting on Sundays. Limited Sunday bowhunting allowed • Note: Only one antlerless permit, per zone, may be purchased in each permit season. If a hunter purchases an antlerless permit for more than one zone in a season, the Antlered Buck Permit is valid for a ONE TIME USE in only ONE of the corresponding zones for that season. Properly licensed hunters are still limited to ONE antlered buck per season, regardless of the number of antlerless permits purchased.
Fall Bow	<p><i>First deer MUST be Antlerless:</i> Sept. 11- Oct. 1, 2021 <i>Antlered or Antlerless:</i> Oct. 2 – Oct. 29, 2021</p> <p>Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at a time.</p>
Youth Day	Sept. 25, 2021— Bow Only —

	<p>Nov. 20, 2021—Firearm Only— Season bag limit is one deer of either sex for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm Season.</p>
Permit Bow	<p>Oct. 30–Dec.24, 26-31, 2021 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer. ONE antlered deer may be harvested if the Antlered Buck Bow Permit is purchased. Two deer may be taken at a time. (See Note above.)</p>
Permit Muzzleloader	<p><i>Antlerless deer only:</i> Dec 6-11, 2021 <i>Antlered or Antlerless:</i> Nov. 29 and 30 and Dec. 13, 14, 18-24, 27–31, 2021; Jan.1-Feb.12, 2022 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer. ONE antlered deer may be harvested if the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit, then the bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer only. Two deer may be taken at a time. (See Note above.)</p>
Six-day Firearm	<p>Dec. 6-11, 2021 Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.</p>
Permit Shotgun Season	<p><i>Antlerless deer only:</i> Dec. 6-11, 2021 <i>Antlered or Antlerless:</i> Dec. 15-17, 2021; Jan. 1 – Feb. 12, 2022 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer. ONE antlered deer may be harvested if the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter harvests two antlered deer during the Six-day Firearm Season, then the bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer only. Two deer may be taken at a time. (See Note above.)</p>
Winter Bow	<p>Jan. 1–Feb. 19, 2022 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at one time.</p>

Regulation Set #8

Zones	10, 11, 13*, 14, 15, 36, 49, 50, 51
Info	<p>* Any antlered deer taken in Zone 13 must have at least three antler points on one side of the rack.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. No firearm deer hunting on Sundays. Limited Sunday bowhunting allowed • Note: Only one antlerless permit, per zone, may be purchased in each permit season. If a hunter purchases an antlerless permit for more than one zone in a season, the Antlered Buck Permit is valid for a ONE TIME USE in only ONE of the corresponding zones for that season. Properly licensed hunters are still limited to ONE antlered buck per season, regardless of the number of antlerless permits purchased.
Fall Bow	<p><i>First deer MUST be Antlerless</i> : Sept. 11 – Oct. 1, 2021 <i>Antlered or Antlerless:</i> Oct. 2 – Oct. 29, 2021 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at a time.</p>
Youth Day	<p>Sept. 25, 2021—Bow Only— Nov. 20, 2021—Firearm Only— Season bag limit is one deer of either sex for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm Season.</p>
Permit Bow	<p>Oct. 30 – Dec. 24, 26-31, 2021 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer. ONE antlered deer may be harvested if the Antlered Buck Bow Permit is purchased. Two deer may be taken at a time. (See Note above.)</p>
Permit Muzzleloader	<p><i>Antlerless deer only:</i> Nov. 22-24, 26 and Dec 6-11, 2021 <i>Antlered or Antlerless:</i> Nov. 29 and 30 and Dec. 13, 14, 18-24, 27-31, 2021; Jan.1-Feb.12, 2022 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer. ONE antlered deer may be harvested if the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter chooses not to purchase the Antlered Buck Muzzleloader Permit, then the bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer only. Two deer may be taken at a time. (See Note above.)</p>
Six-day Firearm	<p>Dec. 6-11, 2021 Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if a hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.</p>
Permit Shotgun Season	<p><i>Antlerless deer only:</i> Nov. 22-24, 26 and Dec 6-11, 2021 <i>Antlered or Antlerless:</i> Dec. 15-17, 2021; Jan. 1 – Feb. 12, 2022 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer. ONE antlered deer may be harvested if the Antlered Buck Shotgun Permit is purchased. However, if the hunter harvests two antlered deer during the Six-day Firearm Season, then the bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer only. Two deer may be taken at a time. (See Note above.)</p>
Winter Bow	<p>Jan. 1–Feb. 19, 2022 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at one time.</p>

