Public Land Drawing Results

Drawing results for all applicants will be posted September 11 at www.michigan.gov/dnr.

Applicants who did not apply online and who are selected for a license will receive a notification postcard by September 19. Unsuccessful applicants will not be notified.

If successful in the drawing, you may go to any authorized license dealer to purchase your license, or you may purchase it online.

Assistance

If you encounter problems with your antlerless deer application, you can obtain assistance by calling (517) 373-3904. All inquiries regarding your application must be made prior to August 15. Following the drawing, you can call this number if you need assistance with purchasing your license.

Leftover Licenses

After the drawing, any remaining public land licenses for selected DMUs and the special regulation units will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis. Hunters may purchase one antlerless deer license per day. Licenses will be available until the quota for the DMU is reached. These licenses will become available beginning September 26 at 10 a.m. You may not purchase both a public land and private land antlerless license on the same day. You must purchase a leftover public land antlerless license in person. Leftover licenses may not be purchased online.

Turn in Your Deer Heads

We are asking that you turn in your deer's head at any DNR office for free tuberculosis testing if you take a deer in any season in the following counties: Alcona, Alpena, Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Roscommon.

Tagging Option for Antlerless Deer Hunters

An antlerless deer hunter, with an unused license valid for an antlered deer and an unused antlerless license for the DMU in which they are hunting, **may** tag a male antlerless deer with the antlered deer license kill tag. A male antlerless deer, often called a "button buck," means a deer with antlers where the longest antler extends less than three inches above the skull.

Hunters, Learn to Identify "Button Bucks"

Each year many hunters harvest buck fawns, commonly called "button bucks" on antlerless deer licenses. Though perfectly legal, harvesting these deer may reduce the number of antlered bucks the following year. By learning the difference between adult does and buck fawns and observing these suggestions, hunters can make a conscious choice on whether to harvest a buck fawn.

- Button bucks often travel alone, but adult does rarely do. Consider this when you observe a single antlerless deer.
- Wait until several deer are together; then harvest one of the larger antlerless deer.
- Look at body shapes of deer. Adult does are different in shape from juvenile deer. The mature doe is rectangular in shape with a long neck and face. Fawns are square shaped and have a short neck and face.
- If two juvenile deer are without an adult, one probably will be a button buck. Normally the young male is larger than the female and may be mistaken for an adult doe because of its larger size. Look at the head of the deer. A doe's head normally is more rounded on top between the ears and a buck's head is flattened by the base of the antlers.
- Look closely with binoculars for the antler bases on button bucks.
- Wait until the deer are standing or moving slowly. It is easier to identify sex and age when deer are not running or moving fast.
- Shoot with good visibility. Poor light or heavy cover make it difficult to determine sex and age.

License Options for the Special Regulation Units

To apply or purchase an antlerless deer license for the special regulation units (DMUs 001, 004, 020, 060, 068, 069, 071 and 452), use the application item no. or license item no. from the list below.

Item No.	Name	On Sale	Cost
450	Antlerless Deer Application (Public Land Only)	7/15-8/15	$4.00
453	Deer Antlerless Junior License (Public or Private Land)	7/15-8/15	$10.00
454	Deer Antlerless Private Land OTC Resident License*	8/16	
455	Deer Antlerless Private Land OTC Nonresident License*	8/16	
451	Deer Antlerless Public Land Resident License	9/11	
452	Deer Antlerless Public Land Nonresident License	9/11	
253	Deer Antlerless Public Leftover Resident License**	9/26	
254	Deer Antlerless Public Leftofver Nonresident License**	9/26	

OTC = Over the counter

* Beginning August 16 at 10 a.m., private land antlerless deer hunting licenses for the special regulation units will be sold over the counter. It is unlawful to purchase more than one antlerless license (of any kind or type, public or private land) in a single day.

** Leftover licenses may be available for special regulation units.

Antlerless Deer License Quotas

Antlerless deer license quotas were not available at the time this guide was printed. An antlerless license quota is established for each DMU based on the management objectives for that DMU.

Special Antlerless Deer Seasons

Youth Firearm Deer Season

There will be a youth firearm deer season September 23-24, 2006, on all lands in Michigan.Youths 10-16 years of age may take one deer during this special two-day season.Youths 10 and 11 cannot hunt deer with a firearm and are restricted to archery-only hunting.

A firearm, combination or antlerless license or Deer Management Assistance (DMA) permit authorizing the youth to take a deer with a firearm, may be used if issued for the area/land upon which hunting. **Archery and junior archery licenses are not valid during this season**. The kind of deer which may be taken is the same as during the regular November firearm deer season. All youth hunters are required to wear Hunter Orange. The youth must be accompanied by an adult at least 18 years of age or older. An adult accompanying a youth firearm deer hunter cannot possess or carry a firearm or bow and arrow and does not need a deer hunting license. It is unlawful to use bait during this season.

Late Antlerless Firearm Deer Season

There will be a late firearm antlerless deer hunting season on private land in Alcona, Alpena, Barry, Branch, Calhoun, Crawford, Hillsdale, Ionia, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Kent, Lapeer, Lenawee, Montmorency, Oakland, Oscoda, Otsego, Ottawa, Presque Isle, St. Joseph, Sanilac, Tuscola and Washtenaw counties. This season will begin December 18, 2006, and run through January 1, 2007. During this season, only antlerless deer on private land may be taken. Permission is required from the landowner or leaseholder. You may hunt with a bow and arrow or firearm. All firearm hunters must wear Hunter Orange and must be 12 or older. You must have an unused antlerless deer license (or DMA permit) issued for the appropriate DMU to hunt deer during this season.

An Important Message Regarding the Use of Bait

Hunters are prohibited from using bait for deer hunting in Alcona, Alpena, Crawford, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego and Presque Isle counties. The use of bait is permitted in the remainder of the state, but the volume of bait is limited to two gallons at any one time per hunting location. This restriction applies statewide. Baiting may occur only from October 1, 2006 through January 1, 2007. Check the 2006 Michigan Hunting and Trappping Guide or go to www.michigan.gov/dnr for a complete list of baiting regulations.

Mandatory Penalties for Certain Hunting Violations

Violation of permits, season, bag limits, shooting hours and methods of taking game	$50 to $500 fine and/or up to 90 days in jail.
Illegal taking/possession of deer, bear or wild turkey	$200 to $2,000 fine and 5 to 90 days in jail, restitution of $1500 for bear, $1000 for deer/turkey, plus revocation of hunting licenses for remainder of year convicted, plus next 3 consecutive years.
Illegal use of artificial light with bow and arrow or firearm	$100 to $500 fine and/or 90 days in jail, plus revocation of hunting licenses for remainder of year convicted, plus next consecutive year.
Carrying a firearm while under the influence of alcohol or drugs	$500 fine and/or up to 93 days in jail.
Multiple offender: Two convictions within preceding five years	$500 to $2,000 fine and 10 to 180 days in jail.

Regular Antlerless Deer License Options

Item No.	Name	On Sale	Cost
150	Antlerless Deer Application (Public Land Only)	7/15-8/15	$4.00
153	Deer Antlerless Junior License (Public or Private Land)	7/15-8/15	$10.00
154	Deer Antlerless Private Land OTC Resident License*	8/16	
155	Deer Antlerless Private Land OTC Nonresident License*	8/16	
151	Deer Antlerless Public Land Resident License	9/11	
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252	Deer Antlerless Public Leftofver Nonresident License**	9/26	

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** Leftover licenses may be available for selected west Upper Peninsula DMUs.

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Antlerless Deer Hunting License

This license entitles residents and nonresidents 10 and older to take an antlerless deer or a deer with antlers less than three inches in length within the deer management unit (DMU) specified on the license. You must purchase your antlerless license in person or online. Antlerless deer licenses are valid during all deer seasons with hunting equipment appropriate for the season and hunting zone. The antlerless deer license is a stand-alone hunting license. No additional license is necessary to be legally afield. It is illegal to use an antlerless deer license to tag a deer with antlers three inches or more in length.

There are two types of antlerless deer hunting licenses: public land and private land.

- A **public land** antlerless deer hunting license is valid for taking antlerless deer from public lands (including state, federal and county lands) open to hunting within the deer management unit specified on the license or upon lands within the DMU that are enrolled as Commercial Forest Lands.
- A **private land** antlerless deer hunting license is valid for taking antlerless deer only from any privately owned lands within the DMU specified on the license with permission of the landowner. A private land license is not valid on public or Commercial Forest Lands.

Important Changes for 2006: There is a season limit of three private land antlerless licenses per person, of which no more than two may be purchased for Zones 1 and 2 combined (except for the special regulation units in Zone 2). See map. Zone 1 and 2 DMUs are shown in green. There is **no season limit** for private land antlerless licenses for the special regulation DMUs in Zone 2 shown in gray. Zone 3 includes all DMUs shown in brown. You may purchase a third private land antlerless license in Zone 3.

There also is a 40-acre minimum requirement for DMUs shown in green. The minimum acreage requirement does not apply in Zone 3 or in the special regulation units.

Junior Antlerless Deer Hunting License

Young hunters, ages 10 to 16, may purchase one antlerless deer hunting license over the counter July 15 through August 15, 2006. **No application fee or drawing is required**. This license is available only in deer management units open to the taking of antlerless deer. This license may be purchased for either public or private land. A youth must appear in person with a parent or guardian to purchase the Junior Antlerless Deer Hunting License. Youngsters 10 and 11 are restricted to archery-only hunting. Nonresidents, ages 10 to 16, are allowed to purchase resident licenses.

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Violations (RAP): 800-292-7800

The DNR Operations Service Centers listed below are open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Baraga
427 US-41 North
Baraga, MI 49908
906-353-6651

Bay City
503 N. Euclid Ave., Suite 1
Bay City, MI 48706
989-684-9141

Cadillac
8015 Mackinaw Trail
Cadillac, MI 49601
231-775-9727

Gaylord
1732 W. M-32
Gaylord, MI 49735
989-732-3541

Southfield
26000 W. Eight Mile Road
Southfield, MI 48034
248-359-9040

Marquette
1990 US-41 South
Marquette, MI 49855
906-228-6561

Newberry
5100 M-123
Newberry, MI 49868
906-293-5131

Plainwell
621 N. 10th St.
Plainwell, MI 49080
269-685-6851

Roscommon
1-75 & M-18 South
8717 N. Roscommon Rd.
Roscommon, MI 48653
989-275-5151

Rose Lake*
8562 E. Stoll Rd.
East Lansing, MI 48823
517-641-4903
*This is a field office

Thank you for purchasing a Michigan hunting license. Your hunting license dollars help restore and improve habitats for wildlife species, advance research on wildlife and wildlife-borne diseases, foster programs that help ensure access for public hunting, support hunter safety education and much more. We encourage you to keep hunting and to share your experiences with others. In doing so, you can do your part to keep our state's hunting heritage alive for future generations.

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Application Information

Locations

- You may apply:
  - At any authorized license dealer
  - At DNR Operations Service Centers
  - Online at www.michigan.gov/dnr

Requirements

- It costs $4 to apply.
- To apply, you will need one of the following forms of identification:
  - Valid Michigan Driver License
  - State of Michigan ID Card (issued by Secretary of State)
  - DNR Sportcard (issued through license dealers or DNR Web site)
- It is critical that you keep your mailing address up to date with the Secretary of State.
- You may be 9 years old to apply, but you must be 10 or older to purchase a license.

Applicant Responsbilities:

- When you apply, you are responsible for:
  - Submitting a single application. Applicants who apply more than once or falsify information will be ineligible for the drawing.
  - Checking that your information was correctly entered by the agent. An incorrect customer ID or birth date will cause you to become ineligible for a license.
  - Ensuring that you receive a DNR receipt. The DNR receipt clearly states your customer ID. **Do not accept a DNR receipt that is not legible.**
  - Retaining your DNR receipt as proof that you applied.

IMPORTANT: It is your responsbility to check your application receipt for accuracy.

Successful Applicants

- You must be at least 10 years old by the time a license is purchased.
- You must purchase your hunting license from any license dealer or online at www.michigan.gov/dnr.
- Make sure the information on your license is accurate.
- All licenses must be signed to be valid. Your signature on the license certifies that you meet applicable residency and hunter safety requirements to purchase a Michigan hunting license.
- Licenses may not be altered or transferred.

Youngsters 10 and 11 are restricted to archery-only hunting.

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Call: 800-292-7800

2006 MICHIGAN ANTLERLESS DEER HUNTING GUIDE

Application Period July 15–August 15, 2006

Apply online at www.michigan.gov/dnr

Important Change for 2006:
There is a season limit of 3 private land antlerless licenses per person, of which no more than 2 may be purchased for Zones 1 and 2 combined (except for the special regulation units in Zone 2).

Great Lakes, Great Times, Great Outdoors

Other Important Changes:

- **To purchase a private land antlerless license, the phone number of the landowner is required.**
- **To purchase a private land antlerless license in Zones 1 or 2 (except for the special regulation units in Zone 2), the landowner granting permission to hunt deer must have 40 or more contiguous acres on which to hunt.**
- **Unique application procedure for the bovine TB special regulation units.**

Antlerless Deer Hunting Units for 2006

Antlerless Deer Licenses May Be Available in Shaded Deer Managment Units (DMUs) depending on quota.

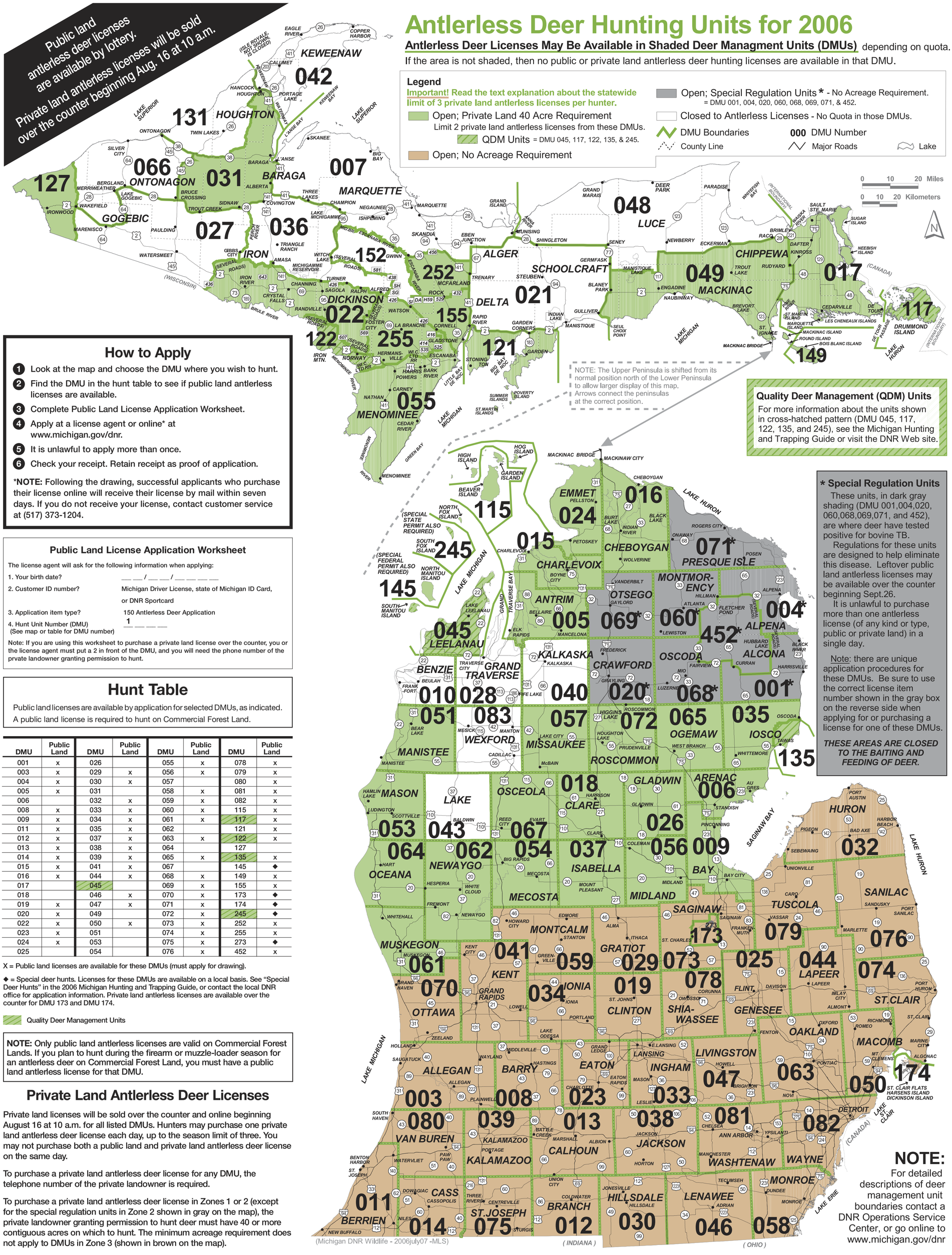
If the area is not shaded, then no public or private land antlerless deer hunting licenses are available in that DMU.

Public land antlerless deer licenses are available by lottery. Private land antlerless licenses will be sold over the counter beginning Aug. 16 at 10 a.m.

Legend

Important! Read the text explanation about the statewide limit of 3 private land antlerless licenses per hunter.

- Open; Private Land 40 Acre Requirement — Limit 2 private land antlerless licenses from these DMUs.
- QDM Units = DMU 045, 117, 122, 135, & 245.
- Open; No Acreage Requirement
- Open; Special Regulation Units * - No Acreage Requirement. = DMU 001, 004, 020, 060, 068, 069, 071, & 452.
- Closed to Antlerless Licenses - No Quota in those DMUs.
- DMU Boundaries
- County Line
- 000 DMU Number
- Major Roads
- Lake



NOTE: The Upper Peninsula is shifted from its normal position north of the Lower Peninsula to allow larger display of this map. Arrows connect the peninsulas at the correct position.

How to Apply

1. Look at the map and choose the DMU where you wish to hunt.
2. Find the DMU in the hunt table to see if public land antlerless licenses are available.
3. Complete Public Land License Application Worksheet.
4. Apply at a license agent or online* at www.michigan.gov/dnr.
5. It is unlawful to apply more than once.
6. Check your receipt. Retain receipt as proof of application.

***NOTE:** Following the drawing, successful applicants who purchase their license online will receive their license by mail within seven days. If you do not receive your license, contact customer service at (517) 373-1204.

Public Land License Application Worksheet

The license agent will ask for the following information when applying:

1. Your birth date? __ __ / __ __ / __ __ __ __
2. Customer ID number? Michigan Driver License, state of Michigan ID Card, or DNR Sportcard
3. Application item type? 150 Antlerless Deer Application
4. Hunt Unit Number (DMU) (See map or table for DMU number) 1 __ __ __

Note: If you are using this worksheet to purchase a private land license over the counter, you or the license agent must put a 2 in front of the DMU, and you will need the phone number of the prvate landowner granting permission to hunt.

Hunt Table

Public land licenses are available by application for selected DMUs, as indicated.

A public land license is required to hunt on Commercial Forest Land.

DMU	Public Land	DMU	Public Land	DMU	Public Land	DMU	Public Land
001	x	026		055	x	078	x
003	x	029	x	056	x	079	x
004	x	030	x	057		080	x
005	x	031		058	x	081	x
006		032	x	059	x	082	x
008	x	033	x	060	x	115	x
009	x	034	x	061	x	117	x
011	x	035	x	062		121	x
012	x	037	x	063	x	122	x
013	x	038	x	064		127	
014	x	039	x	065	x	135	x
015	x	041	x	067		145	◆
016	x	044	x	068	x	149	x
017		045		069	x	155	x
018		046	x	070	x	173	◆
019	x	047	x	071	x	174	◆
020	x	049		072	x	245	◆
022	x	050	x	073	x	252	x
023	x	051		074	x	255	x
024	x	053		075	x	273	◆
025		054		076	x	452	x

X = Public land licenses are available for these DMUs (must apply for drawing).

◆ = Special deer hunts. Licenses for these DMUs are available on a local basis. See "Special Deer Hunts" in the 2006 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide, or contact the local DNR office for application information. Private land antlerless licenses are available over the counter for DMU 173 and DMU 174.

Quality Deer Management Units

NOTE: Only public land antlerless licenses are valid on Commercial Forest Lands. If you plan to hunt during the firearm or muzzle-loader season for an antlerless deer on Commercial Forest Land, you must have a public land antlerless license for that DMU.

Private Land Antlerless Deer Licenses

Private land licenses will be sold over the counter and online beginning August 16 at 10 a.m. for all listed DMUs. Hunters may purchase one private land antlerless deer license each day, up to the season limit of three. You may not purchase both a public land and private land antlerless deer license on the same day.

To purchase a private land antlerless deer license for any DMU, the telephone number of the private landowner is required.

To purchase a private land antlerless deer license in Zones 1 or 2 (except for the special regulation units in Zone 2 shown in gray on the map), the private landowner granting permission to hunt deer must have 40 or more contiguous acres on which to hunt. The minimum acreage requirement does not apply to DMUs in Zone 3 (shown in brown on the map).

Quality Deer Management (QDM) Units

For more information about the units shown in cross-hatched pattern (DMU 045, 117, 122, 135, and 245), see the Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide or visit the DNR Web site.

* Special Regulation Units

These units, in dark gray shading (DMU 001,004,020, 060,068,069,071, and 452), are where deer have tested positive for bovine TB.

Regulations for these units are designed to help eliminate this disease. Leftover public land antlerless licenses may be available over the counter beginning Sept.26.

It is unlawful to purchase more than one antlerless license (of any kind or type, public or private land) in a single day.

Note: there are unique application procedures for these DMUs. Be sure to use the correct license item number shown in the gray box on the reverse side when applying for or purchasing a license for one of these DMUs.

THESE AREAS ARE CLOSED TO THE BAITING AND FEEDING OF DEER.

NOTE:

For detailed descriptions of deer management unit boundaries contact a DNR Operations Service Center, or go online to www.michigan.gov/dnr

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