

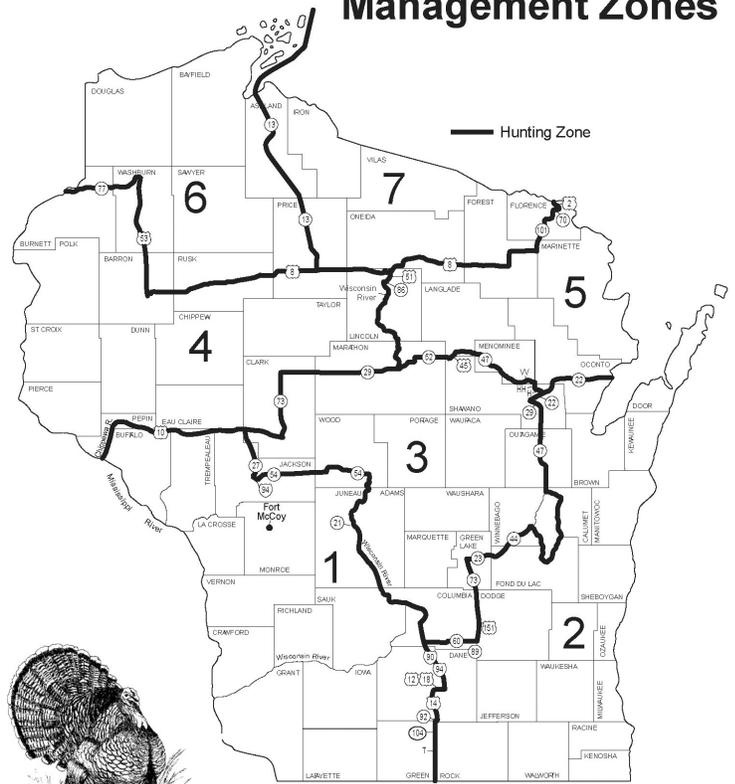
Fall 2016 Wild Turkey Hunting Zones

The application deadline for the Fall 2016 wild turkey hunting season is **August 1, 2016**. Applications cost \$3 and are available in person at any DNR Service Center or Go Wild licensing agent and online at gowild.wi.gov. Please take care to read and follow all application directions. Turkey permits are distributed by a drawing using a preference system that determines which applications go into the drawing first, second, etc. Resident landowners have first preference, second preference goes to residents who applied for (but did not receive) a fall permit the previous year, and third preference goes to all other residents. Non-resident landowners followed by other non-resident applicants have fourth and fifth preference, respectively. Success in the drawing depends on the number of permits vs. the number of applicants. A permit is issued by evaluating every zone option the applicant would accept in the order in which their selections were made. A maximum of one permit can be awarded through the preference drawing. If permits remain after the drawing is complete, leftover permits will go on sale beginning Saturday, **August 27th at 10 AM**. Permits will be available online at gowild.wi.gov as well as at any service center or license vendor. Leftover permits will be issued on a one-per-day basis.

NOTE: The Fort McCoy fall turkey hunt is conducted separately from that of the State of Wisconsin turkey hunting zones. You may not apply for a Ft. McCoy fall turkey permit if you plan to or have already applied for a fall turkey permit in a State of Wisconsin turkey hunting zone. Hunting information can be found under "Recreation Opportunities" at www.mccoy.army.mil or by calling the Permit Sales Offices at (608) 388-3337.

ATTENTION: The 2016 Fall Season dates are Sept. 17 - Dec. 31 in Zones 1-5, and Sept. 17 - Nov. 18 in Zones 6 & 7. The use of dogs to hunt wild turkeys is legal statewide during the fall season.

Wild Turkey Management Zones



2016 - FINAL Fall Turkey Harvest and Permit Information - 2016

| Zone | 2015 Fall Permits Available | 2015 Permits Issued through the Preference Drawing ^A | 2015 Permits Issued Over-the-Counter ^B | 2015 Total Permits Issued | Fall 2015 Harvest | Fall 2015 Hunter Success (%) | Fall 2016 Permits Available (FINAL) |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|---|---|---------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 Total | 27,500 | 11,523 | 3,043 | 14,566 (53%) | 836 | 5.74% | 27,500 |
| 2 Total | 22,000 | 17,037 | 4,963 | 22,000 (100%) | 1,911 | 8.69% | 22,000 |
| 3 Total | 30,000 | 11,517 | 3,301 | 14,818 (49%) | 1,048 | 7.07% | 30,000 |
| 4 Total | 15,000 | 6,570 | 1,754 | 8,324 (55%) | 568 | 6.82% | 15,000 |
| 5 Total | 3,800 | 3,800 | 0 | 3,800 (100%) | 271 | 7.13% | 4,000 |
| 6 Total | 1,400 | 1,400 | 0 | 1,400 (100%) | 116 | 8.29% | 1,600 |
| 7 Total | 1,000 | 1,000 | 0 | 1,000 (100%) | 91 | 9.1% | 1,200 |
| Fort McCoy | 424 | 424 | N/A | 424 (100%) | 23 | 5.42% | N/A |
| Unknown | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 0 | N/A | N/A |
| Grand Total | 101,124 | 53,271 | 13,061 | 66,332 | 4,864 | 7.33% | 101,300 |

^A A permit is issued through the preference drawing by evaluating every option of zones the applicant would accept in the order in which they made selections. A maximum of one permit can be awarded through the preference drawing.

^B All options of all applicants are evaluated to issue one permit to as many applicants as possible before any over-the-counter permits are issued. Permits remaining after the preference drawing will go on sale on a date to be determined.

The above permit levels are **FINAL**. However, fall permit levels may be revised following reviews of new population data.

Permit levels are set to allow the maximum recreational opportunities without impacting the turkey population while minimizing hunter interference problems. Permit levels reflect the amount of turkey habitat and turkey population densities and distribution in each zone. The number of permits for fall hunting will be lower than the number for spring hunting.