



START ACTION NOTICE (SAN)

SAN # 2025-06

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1. TYPE OF ACTION AND THE REGULATION NUMBER AND NAME:

Amendments to 7 DE Admin Code 3900 Wildlife

2. PURPOSE OF ACTION:

The Division of Fish and Wildlife is proposing to amend regulatory requirements related to the following:

- Expand the age range for the participation of youth hunters in special hunt days for waterfowl, turkeys, and deer.
- Update text related to the hunting of gamebirds on Sundays following amendments to 7 **Del.C.** Chapter 7 Regulations and Prohibitions Concerning Game and Fish.
- Eliminate outdated text related to the harvest reporting of wild turkeys, coyotes, and gray fox now that the Division has implemented a revised system for such.
- Permit the use of motorized electric carts/wagons/wheelbarrows for the use of transporting hunting equipment or harvest game on lands administered by the Division. Such carts are not to be ridden.
- Fixed typos related to method of take and issuance of permits to release game birds.
- Extend the hunting season for coyotes to better manage this species and provide increased opportunities for hunters.

3. STATUTORY BASIS:

Statutory basis for these proposed regulation changes is authorized under Title 7, Delaware Code, Chapter 1, Sections 102(a), 103 (a) and (b), and Chapter 7, Section 801.

4. IS THIS PROPOSED REGULATORY ACTION REQUIRED AS A RESULT OF FEDERAL STATUTE OR REGULATION? IF SO, PROVIDE LINK TO FEDERAL MANDATE.

These proposed changes are not required as a result of a federal statute or regulation.

5. DATE OF MOST RECENT AMENDMENT/REVIEW (indicate if review was pursuant to 29 **Del.C.** §10407):

The date of the most recent review/amendment of 7 DE Administrative Code 3900 was April 1, 2024. Review is not pursuant to 29 **Del.C.** §10407.

6. LIKELY AFFECTED PUBLIC:

Likely affected public includes: hunters, agricultural producers, users of state wildlife areas, and entities associated with the possession, purchase, sale, and/or release of game birds.

7. PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES:

May 2025 – Submit SAN to Register and draft regulations
June 2025 – Publication in Register
August 2025 – Hold public hearing
October 2025 – Final regulations in Register

8. REVIEW COMMITTEE:

Advisory Council on Wildlife and Freshwater Fish

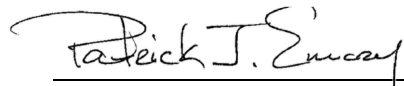
9. RESPONSIBLE STAFF MEMBER (name, physical address, phone number and e-mail address):

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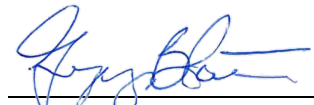
10. APPROVALS:



Joe Rogerson May 14, 2025
Responsible Staff Member Date



Patrick J. Emory 5/14/2025
Director, Division of Fish and Wildlife Date



Gregory Patterson June 16, 2025
Secretary Date