Bayfield County’s Effort to Prevent CWD

What you need to know about CWD

Kiosk/Dumpster Locations:

1. Barnes – PJ’s Cabin Store
2. Iron River – Timber Ghost Taxidermy
3. Grand View – Grand View General Store
4. Washburn – DNR Ranger Station (Kiosk Only)
5. Washburn – Topside Tavern (Dumpster Only)
6. Ashland – Ashland DNR Service Center
7. Clam Lake – Clam Lake Junction
8. Drummond – 13995 Wittwer Rd. (Kiosk Only)

Bayfield County has not had a deer test positive for CWD. Do not bring in deer harvested from a county that has had deer test positive for CWD unless transporting it to a licensed meat processor or a taxidermist within the first 72 hours after registration.

Do not transport a deer carcass from another state or province with a confirmed case of CWD into Bayfield County unless transporting it to a licensed meat processor or a taxidermist within the first 72 hours after registration.

We encourage only using meat processors and taxidermists that properly dispose of deer parts in a landfill.

For non-resident hunters, consult your home state’s website or regulations book.

Visit dnr.wi.gov and search keyword “CWD” for more information and a map of CWD affected counties. Other states may enforce additional carcass transportation restrictions for deer harvested in Wisconsin. Contact the state’s natural resources agency for more information.

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What is CWD?

- Chronic Wasting Disease is a prion disease, meaning it is caused by misfolded proteins and is 100% fatal. It was first discovered in Wisconsin from a deer harvested in 2001. Clinical signs of CWD don’t develop until the end of the incubation cycle, typically over a year.

How does CWD spread?

- The prions are shed from an infected deer, usually through body fluids like urine, feces, saliva, or through decomposition after the animal has died. The prions remain infectious in the soil for a long time (years) and are resistant to most common disinfection procedures, posing a risk to healthy deer.

- Report sick or injured deer to your local wildlife biologists or call 1-800-847-9367.
- Test your deer for CWD at one of the DNR’s self-service kiosks throughout the county. It is not recommended to consume meat from a CWD positive deer. Testing is free, expect results within 14 days.
- Never transport deer from CWD positive counties into Bayfield County or any other county that doesn’t have CWD. Moving diseased animals raises the risk for transmitting it to healthy deer herds.
- Properly dispose of the carcasses after processing. Take the carcass to one of our nearest dumpsters or throw it away in your normal garbage if properly wrapped and allowed by your waste removal provider.
- For additional information, call Bayfield County at 715-373-6167 or email us at BDufford@BayfieldCounty.org MBolen@BayfieldCounty.org

Help do your part to stop the spread

- Symptoms can take up to 2 years to be noticeable
- Symptoms include:
  - No fear of humans
  - Teeth grinding
  - Notable weakness
  - Drooping of head and ears
  - Excessive thirst
  - Difficulty swallowing
  - Walking in set patterns
  - Nervousness
  - Loss of coordination
  - Excessive salivation
  - Diminished tone of facial muscles
  - Excessive urination
  - Severe emaciation and dehydration
  - Inability to stand

Testing your deer for CWD is free and easy. Test results can be found online. The link to the website and instructions are provided at all kiosks locations.