

Archery, Crossbow and Firearms Seasons **BOAR**

Season Limit: 1

Split Seasons – Archery and Crossbow: Sept. 29 – Dec. 31, 2018 and Feb. 1-3, 2019

Split Seasons – Firearms: Oct. 27 – Nov. 3, 2018 and Feb. 1-3, 2019

Boar Hunting License Privileges

Residents Only – No Application Required

To hunt wild boar, hunters must possess one of the following base licenses or license combinations: Class X, Class XJ, Class AHJ, Class XS, Class AB-L, Class A-L or Classes A+BG+CS Classes AH+BG+CS; or a free license (Military, Disabled Veteran, former POW, Senior Citizen or Class DT). Underage residents and resident landowners hunting on their own land may hunt wild boar without a license. Holders of Class DT licenses must be accompanied by a parent, guardian, or with written consent of the parent or guardian, or any other competent licensed adult 21 years of age or older.

Regulations

Shooting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.

Wild boar may be taken during wild boar seasons with a bow, a crossbow or with firearms legal in West Virginia for taking deer (see page 12).

Use of dogs and/or bait is prohibited.

Use of electronic calls is prohibited.

Only one wild boar may be taken per year.

Concurrent Hunting

Concurrent hunting of small game is permitted during wild boar seasons. Concurrent hunting of deer and bear, in counties where legal, is permitted during boar seasons.

Boar hunters are required to wear at least 400 square inches of blaze orange over his or her outer clothing while hunting in a county or part thereof open during a deer firearms season. This does not apply to waterfowl hunters and persons engaged in farming activities on their own land.


Field Tagging and Checking


Each person killing a boar must attach a completed field tag to the boar or remain with the boar and have upon their person a completed field tag before moving the carcass from where it was killed. A person who does not have a tag must make one. This tag must bear the hunter's name, address, hunting license number (if required) and the date, time and county of kill. Immediately upon arriving at a residence, camp, hunting lodge, vehicle or vessel, the field tag shall be attached to the boar and must remain on the carcass until it is tagged with a DNR-issued 13-digit game check number.

All boar killed must be electronically registered within 24 hours of harvest. The DNR-issued game tag number and the hunter's name and address shall remain on the boar until it is dressed for consumption.

Wild Boar Split Seasons Counties

Boone, Logan, Raleigh and Wyoming counties are open to boar archery, crossbow and firearms seasons.

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