

Proposed Regulatory Language

Section 708.5, Title 14, CCR, is amended to read:

§ 708.5. Deer Tagging, Reporting, and Testing Requirements.

. . . *[No change to subsections (a)through (d)]. . .*

(e) The Chronic wasting disease (CWD) Management Zone (CMZ) includes deer hunt zones D7, X9a, X9b, and X9c as noted on the department's website (wildlife.ca.gov/CWD).

(f) All hunters who take a deer within a CMZ, as described in subsection (e), shall provide the department with the retropharyngeal lymph nodes or the head from the harvested deer for the purpose of CWD testing within 10 days of take. The following are permissible sampling methods:

- (1) Bring the deer, or just the head, to a California CWD sampling station (see wildlife.ca.gov/CWD/Sampling-Station for locations);
- (2) Bring the deer head to a participating meat processor or taxidermist (see wildlife.ca.gov/CWD/Meat-Processors-Taxidermists); or
- (3) A hunter may self-sample their deer and bring the retropharyngeal lymph nodes directly to a California CWD sampling station (see wildlife.ca.gov/CWD/Sampling-Station for locations). The department maintains a how-to-guide and data card for CWD sampling, data collection, and self-sample submissions on its website (see wildlife.ca.gov/CWD/Collect-Submit-Samples).

(g) Hunters shall provide the following minimum information for the take pursuant to subdivision (f): the hunter's name, GO ID, deer tag or document number, and harvest location (GPS coordinates preferred).

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 200, 203, 265 and 1050, Fish and Game Code.
Reference: Sections 1050 and 4336, Fish and Game Code.