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Rifle Hunting for Big Game in Cortland, Wyoming and Portions of Chautauqua Counties Begins This Fall

Hunters in Cortland, Wyoming and portions of Chautauqua counties will be able to use rifles as well as shotguns when hunting for deer or bear this fall the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation announced today. Cortland County requested this provision due to the increasing number of deer in the county that cause crop damage and automobile accidents.

These areas join the counties of Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chemung, Chenango, Herkimer, Madison, Montgomery, Oneida, Oswego, Otsego, Schoharie, Schuyler, Steuben, Tioga, Yates and a portion of Broome County which allow the taking of deer and bear with rifles.

The taking of deer and bear is permitted from the first Saturday after November 15 for twenty-three consecutive days. Hunting in these counties using pistol, crossbow, muzzle loading firearm, shotgun and long bow as well as the newly enacted rifle is allowed. Big game season this year begins on Saturday, November 19, 2011 and lasts through December 12, 2011.

Information on license sales and hunting in New York can be found at the Department of Environmental Conservation's website www.dec.ny.gov/permits/6094.html.

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