

# S.I. No. 550/2005 — Wildlife (Wild Mammals) (Open Seasons) Order, 2005

## STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

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The Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by Sections 8(2) of the Wildlife Act, 1976 (No. 39 of 1976), and the Heritage (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order, 2002 ( S.I. No. 356 of 2002 ) hereby orders as follows:

1. This Order may be cited as the Wildlife (Wild Mammals) (Open Seasons) Order, 2005.
2. In this Order a reference to a column is to a column of the Schedule to this Order.
3. The species of protected wild mammals specified in column (1) may be hunted during the periods specified in relation to the species concerned in column (2), in the manner so specified in column (3), in the places in the State so specified in column (4).
4. For the purposes of this order Antlerless Deer will be construed as including any male deer without antlers, of less than one year, i.e. a calf
5. The Wildlife (Wild Mammals) (Open Seasons) Order, 1998 ( S.I. No. 331 of 1998 ), is hereby revoked.

#### SCHEDULE

<b>Species of Wild Mammal</b>	<b>Hunting Period</b>	<b>Manner of Hunting</b>	<b>Places in the State</b>
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Male Fallow Deer	The period beginning on the 1 <sup>st</sup> day of September in each year and ending on the 31 <sup>st</sup> day of December of	Shooting with firearms	Throughout the State.

that same year.

Female and Antlerless Fallow Deer	The period beginning on the 1 <sup>st</sup> day of November in each year and ending on the last day of February in the year immediately following that year.	Shooting with firearms	Throughout the State.
Male Sika Deer	The period beginning on the 1 <sup>st</sup> day of September in each year and ending on the 31 <sup>st</sup> day of December of that same year	Shooting with firearms	Throughout the State.
Female and Antlerless Sika Deer	The period beginning on the 1 <sup>st</sup> day of November in each year and ending on the last day of February in the year immediately following that year	Shooting with firearms	Throughout the State.
Male Red Deer	The period beginning on the 1 <sup>st</sup> day of September in each year and ending on the 31 <sup>st</sup> day of December of that same year	Shooting with firearms	Throughout the State exclusive of the county of Kerry.
Female and Antlerless Red Deer	The period beginning on the 1 <sup>st</sup> day of November in each year and ending on the last day of February in the year immediately following that year	Shooting with firearms	Throughout the State.
Hares	The period beginning on the	Shooting with firearms; coursing	Throughout the state exclusive of

26 <sup>th</sup> day of September in each year and ending on the 28 <sup>th</sup> day of February in the year immediately following that year.	at regulated coursing matches; hunting with packs of beagles and harriers	the townlands of North East Slob, North West Slob, Big Island, Beggerin Island and The Raven, in the county of Wexford.
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GIVEN under the Official Seal of the Minister for  
the Environment, Heritage and Local Government,  
this 1st day of September 2005

Dick Roche,

Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local  
Government

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

The effect of this Order is to set hunting seasons for certain species of wild mammals and to revoke the Wildlife (Wild Mammals) (Open Seasons) Order, 1998 (S.I 331 of 1998).

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