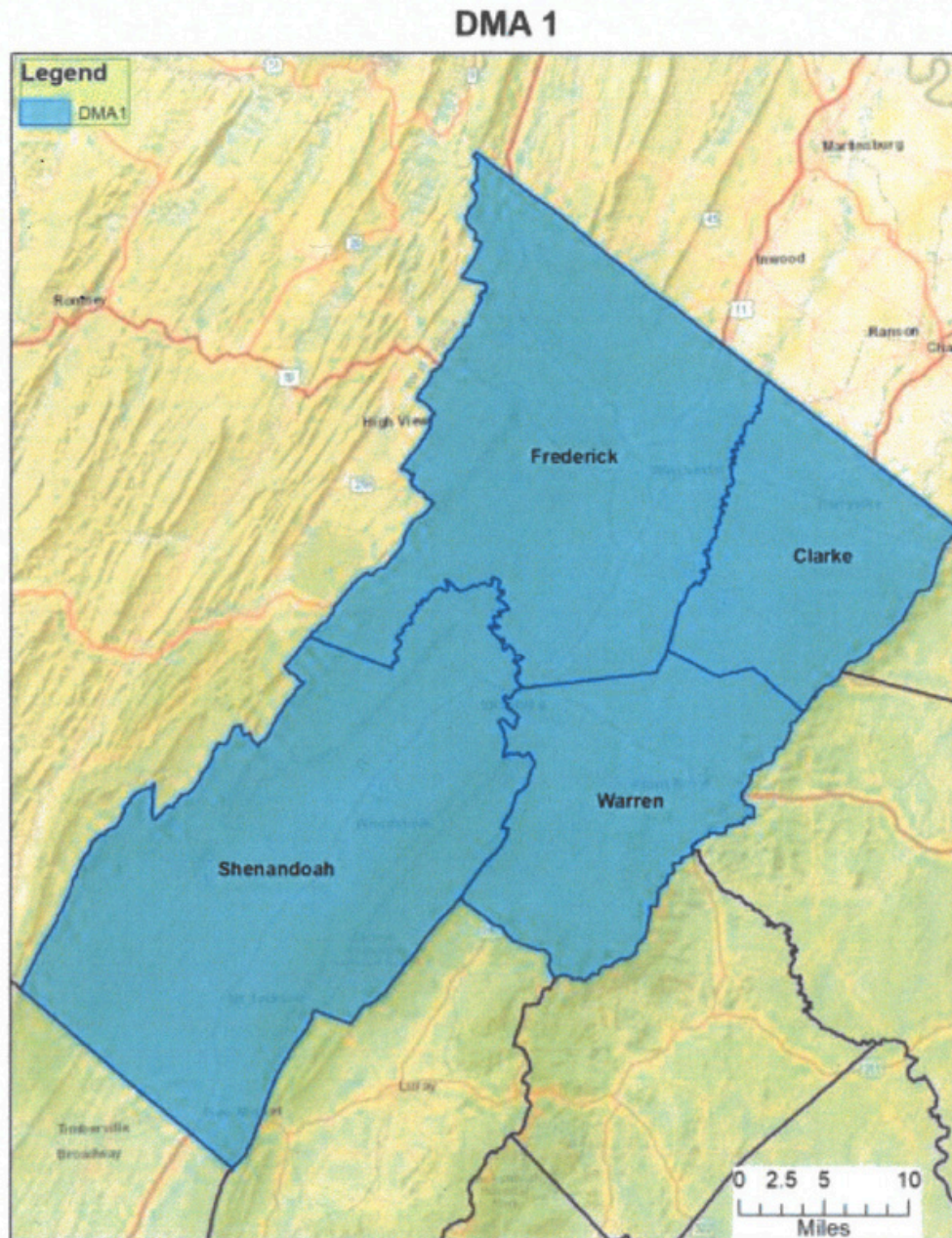


# What You Need to Know About Hunting in Disease Management Area 1



The DWR confirmed chronic wasting disease (CWD) in Virginia for the first time in Frederick County in 2009. Disease Management Area 1 (DMA1), formerly known as the Containment Area, was created in response to this initial CWD detection. DMA1 includes Clarke, Frederick, Shenandoah, and Warren counties.

**If you are hunting in DMA1 this fall, please be aware of the following:**

***Mandatory CWD Sampling will occur in DMA1 in Shenandoah County on Saturday, November 16, 2024.*** All deer harvested in Shenandoah County on this day must be taken to either a DWR staffed CWD sample station (Larkin's Store: 19004 Senedo Rd, Edinburg or Woodbine Farms and Market Inc: 5199 John Marshall Hwy, Strasburg) or a voluntary refrigerator drop off station (list and map linked below). DWR staffed sample stations will be open from 8AM to 7PM.

**Whole deer carcasses and certain carcass parts from deer killed in DMA1 cannot be legally transported anywhere else in VA outside of the DMA1 boundary. [Click here for more details on carcass transport.](#)**

**Deer heads plus 4 inches of neck from a deer harvested at any time during the season in DMA1 may be brought to a CWD deer head drop site for voluntary CWD testing.** Hunting in a DMA does not guarantee that you will harvest a CWD-positive deer but it does make it more likely when compared to hunting elsewhere in Virginia. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that all deer harvested from areas known to be affected by CWD be tested prior to consumption. If you would like to get a deer harvested in DMA1 tested any time during the deer hunting season, bring the deer head plus 4 inches of neck to any of the Department CWD deer head drop sites for free CWD testing. See the following websites for more details:

### **[DMA1 Voluntary CWD Testing – Deer Head Drop Sites List and Map](#)**

Hunting season dates, either-sex days, Earn A Buck requirements, and other deer hunting regulations for counties and cities included in DMA1 can be found in the [Hunting & Trapping Regulations](#) section of this website.

# Voluntary Chronic Wasting Disease Testing in Disease Management Area 1

Hunters who are successful on any day of the deer hunting season in Clarke, Frederick, Shenandoah, or Warren counties are encouraged to voluntarily get their deer tested for chronic wasting disease (CWD) by bringing it to a CWD deer head drop site or by utilizing a processor approved for CWD sampling.

## Instructions for Voluntary Submissions of Deer Heads for CWD Testing

1. Bring the head and at least 4 inches of neck to a CWD deer head drop site. (Heads with the antlers and/or skull plate removed can still be tested.)
2. Heads should be as fresh as possible (i.e., submitted within a few days after death and kept cold prior to submission).
3. If you plan to mount the head, submit the head and 4 inches of neck *after* caping.
4. Fill out the data card per instructions posted at the CWD deer head drop site.

## Disease Management Area 1 CWD Deer Head Drop Sites

### **Department of Forestry, 265 Lakeview Dr., Woodstock**

Directions: Take 81 to exit 283, head east on 42, turn right onto 11/S Main St., turn left on Lakeview Dr., refrigerator is next to the walk-in cooler in the parking lot.

### **Elks Lodge, 4088 Guard Hill Rd, Front Royal**

Directions: From I-81 take I-66 E, use exit 6 onto US-340 S/Winchester Rd, go right onto State Route 637/Guard Hill Rd. The self-service facility is under the pavilion on the left side of the parking lot.

### **Enders Fire Department, 9 South Buckmarsh St., Berryville**

Directions: From Winchester, Take 7 East, go right onto West Main St., turn right onto Buckmarsh St. (Lord Fairfax Highway). The self-service facility is behind the fire department.

### **North Mountain Volunteer Fire & Rescue Company 19, 186 Rosenberger Lane, Winchester**

Directions: Take Back Mountain Road (Rte. 600) north or south to Tom's Market (near High View Manor), turn beside the store on Rosenberger Lane, fire department is on your right. The self-service facility is located next to the garage behind the fire station.

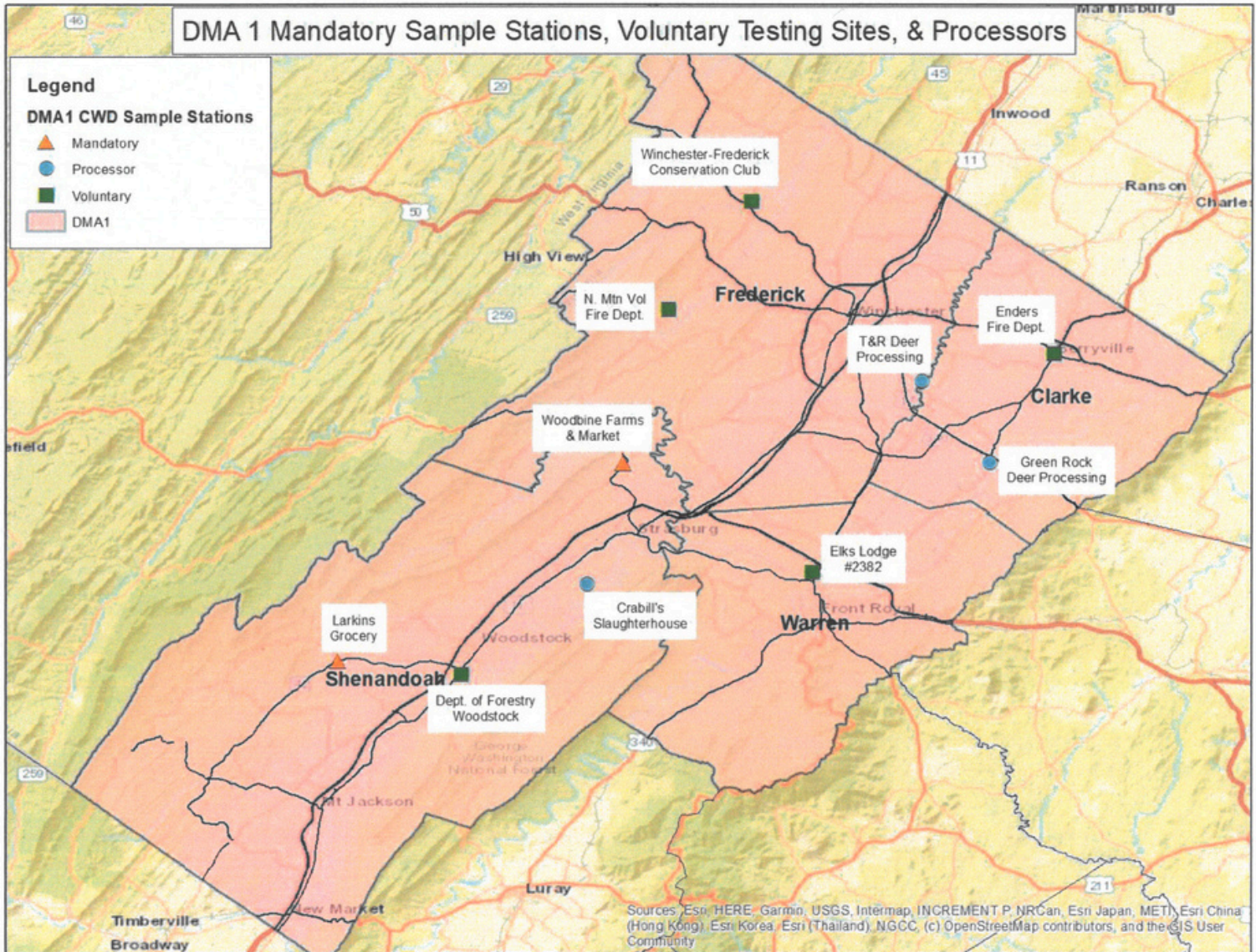
**Winchester-Frederick County Conservation Club, 527 Siler Road, Winchester**, Directions: From Winchester, follow Rte. 522 north to Gainesboro, then turn right onto Siler Road (Rte. 600). Take the first left onto Club property. The self-service facility is under the overhang of the first building on the right.

## Disease Management Area 1 Processors Approved for CWD Sampling

**Green Rock Deer Processing** – 256 Wileys Mountain Rd, Bluemont

**T & R Deer Processing** – 691 Carpers Valley Rd, Winchester

**Crabill's Slaughterhouse** – 3149 Riverview Dr, Toms Brook



# Transporting Carcasses Into, Within, and Out of DMA1

## Whole Deer Carcass Transport *Out* of Disease Management Area 1

To prevent the spread of chronic wasting disease (CWD) to additional areas of Virginia, it is illegal to transport whole deer carcasses and deer parts that contain brain and/or spinal tissue out of Disease Management Area 1 (DMA1)\*.

### **Carcass parts that can be legally transported out of DMA1 include:**

- Boned out meat
- Quarters or other portions of meat with no part of the spinal column or head attached
- Hides and capes with no heads attached
- Clean (no meat or tissue attached) skulls, and skull plates with or without antlers attached
- Clean jaw bones
- Antlers with no meat or tissue attached
- Upper canine teeth, also known as “buglers,” “whistlers,” or “ivories”
- Finished taxidermy products

## Whole Deer Carcass Transport *Within* DMA1

Whole deer carcasses and all carcass parts originating from within DMA1 may be transported **anywhere within DMA1 only**\*.

# Whole Deer Carcass Transport *Into* DMA1

Whole deer carcasses originating from anywhere in Virginia, except for DMA3 and DMA4, may be legally transported into DMA1. Deer originating from DMA3 and DMA4 may not be legally imported into DMA1. Deer originating from DMA2 may be legally imported into DMA1.

\* Whole deer carcasses or deer parts that contain brain and/or spinal tissue may be transported out of a Virginia DMA directly to authorized locations in another state/province (please see that state's/province's website or the CWD Alliance website). Prior to transporting a carcass out of state from a Virginia DMA, it is the hunter's responsibility to confirm these authorized locations with the destination state/province and to comply with all applicable laws, regulations and restrictions related to CWD, to include importation and transportation of carcasses along their route of travel to their destination. Whole deer carcasses or deer parts that contain brain and/or spinal tissue may not be transported through any part of Virginia not included in a DMA.

DMA 1 and DMA 2 CWD Sampling Stations 2024

