

**97B.328 BAITING PROHIBITED.**

Subdivision 1. **Hunting with aid of bait prohibited.** A person may not take deer with the aid or use of bait.

Subd. 2. **Removal of bait.** An area is considered baited for ten days after the complete removal of all bait.

Subd. 3. **Definition.** (a) For purposes of this section, "bait" includes grains, fruits, vegetables, nuts, hay, or other food that is capable of attracting or enticing deer and that has been placed by a person. "Baiting" means placing, exposing, depositing, distributing, or scattering bait that is capable of attracting or enticing deer.

(b) Liquid scents, salt, and minerals are not bait if they do not contain liquid or solid food ingredients.

(c) Agricultural crops from normal or accepted farming, forest management, wildlife food plantings, orchard management, or other similar land management activities are not bait. This exclusion does not apply to agricultural crops that have been reintroduced and concentrated where a person is hunting.

Subd. 4. **Exception for bait or feed on adjacent land.** A person otherwise in compliance with this section who is hunting on private or public property that is adjacent to property where bait or food is present is not in violation of this section if the person has not participated in, been involved with, or agreed to baiting or feeding wildlife on the adjacent property.

**History:** 2007 c 131 art 1 s 45; 2008 c 368 art 2 s 51; 2009 c 176 art 2 s 46; 2012 c 277 art 1 s 58