97B.035 RESTRICTIONS ON ARCHERY EQUIPMENT.

Subdivision 1. **Hunting with bows released by mechanical devices.** (a) A person may not hunt with a bow drawn, held, or released by a mechanical device, except with a disabled hunter permit issued under section 97B.106 or as provided in paragraph (b).

(b) A person may use a mechanical device attached to the bowstring if the person's own strength draws, holds, and releases the bowstring.

Subd. 1a. **Minimum draw weight.** A bow used to take big game, turkey, or wolves must have a pull that meets or exceeds 30 pounds at or before full draw.

Subd. 2. **Possession of crossbows.** A person may not possess a crossbow in a motor vehicle during the open season for any game, unless the crossbow is not armed with a bolt or arrow.

Subd. 3. **Poisoned and explosive arrows.** A person may not hunt with an arrow that is poisoned or has an explosive tip.

Subd. 4. **Authority of commissioner.** The commissioner may not impose restrictions on the possession, transportation, or use of archery equipment except as specifically authorized by law.

History: *1986 c 386 art 2 s 8; 1987 c 170 s 1; 1989 c 209 art 2 s 1; 1994 c 623 art 1 s 28; 2007 c 131 art 1 s 37; 2008 c 368 art 2 s 40; 2009 c 176 art 2 s 38; 2012 c 277 art 1 s 52*