

170.1 Definitions.

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "*Chronic wasting disease*" means the animal disease afflicting deer and elk that is a transmissible disease of the nervous system resulting in distinctive lesions in the brain and that belongs to the group of diseases that is known as transmissible spongiform encephalopathies (TSE).
2. "*Council*" means the farm deer council established pursuant to section 170.2.
3. "*Department*" means the department of agriculture and land stewardship.
4. "*Farm deer*" means an animal belonging to the cervidae family and classified as part of the dama species of the dama genus, commonly referred to as fallow deer; part of the elaphus species of the cervus genus, commonly referred to as red deer or elk; part of the virginianus species of the odocoileus genus, commonly referred to as whitetail; part of the hemionus species of the odocoileus genus, commonly referred to as mule deer; or part of the nippon species of the cervus genus, commonly referred to as sika. However, a farm deer does not include any unmarked free-ranging elk, whitetail, or mule deer.
5. "*Fence*" means a boundary fence which encloses farm deer within a landowner's property as required to be constructed and maintained pursuant to section 170.4.
6. "*Landowner*" means a person who holds an interest in land, including a titleholder or tenant.

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