

**170.1 Definitions.**

As used in [this chapter](#), unless the context otherwise requires:

1. “*Chronic wasting disease*” means the animal disease afflicting deer, elk, or moose 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. *a.* “*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; part of the nippon species of the cervus genus, commonly referred to as sika; or part of the alces species of the alces genus, commonly referred to as moose.  
*b.* “*Farm deer*” does not include any unmarked free-ranging elk, whitetail, or mule deer. “*Farm deer*” also does not include preserve whitetail which are kept on a hunting preserve as provided in [chapter 484C](#).
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.

[2003 Acts, ch 149, §4, 23; 2005 Acts, ch 139, §1; 2012 Acts, ch 1095, §58, 59](#)

Referred to in [§10.1, §167.22, §169A.1, §169C.1, §189A.2, §423.1, §481A.1, §481A.134, §481A.135, §716.7, §716.8, §717.1](#)