



PENNSYLVANIA FEDERATION OF SPORTSMEN & CONSERVATIONISTS, INC.  
CLUB & STATE ORGANIZATION CONSERVATION RESOLUTION FORM

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RESOLUTION TITLE: Opening Day Dates

WHEREAS:

In 2019, the Pennsylvania Game Commission shifted the opening day of deer season from the Monday following Thanksgiving to Saturday. This move was met with complaints primarily from camp owners, business owners, and organizations such as Volunteer Fire Departments, VFWs, Sportsmen's Clubs, and other organizations that utilized the weekend before deer season for much needed fund-raising.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That both the Mars Rod and Gun Club and the Richland Sportsmen's Club agree that the Pennsylvania Game Commission consider making a change to the regulations pertaining to opening day. After a lot of thought and discussion, the idea was put forth to make Interstate 80 a borderline as to distinguish the opening of deer season. South of Interstate 80 would remain a Saturday opener, and north of Interstate 80 would go back to a Monday opener. Sportsmen and women have been terribly divided over the Saturday opener issue, which does not put... (cont'd)

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...a good look on the face of folks that enjoy the outdoors. It would go without saying that small businesses and local organizations would automatically benefit from this change and with a majority of camps located in the northern tier, it would appease most of the opposition to the season start date, therefore reducing the dissention among license buyers.

Other pros and cons have been hashed and re-hashed since 2019. To note, some younger hunters that are part of a camp have stated that they miss the ability to go spotlighting, scouting the woods on Saturday, having time to place a stand, and sighting in with the other camp patrons, just to mention a few. If this resolution is adopted, Pennsylvania would have two opening days for deer season.

**Therefore, Be it Resolved:**

That the Pennsylvania Federation of Sportsmen and Conservationist support and submit this Resolution to the Pennsylvania Game Commission.

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