

**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** March 18, 2009

**TO:** Game Farm Operators and Interested Persons

**FROM:** Colonel Julie Jones  
Director, Division of Law Enforcement

**SUBJECT:** Sale of Venison

Non-native deer (venison) may be sold uncooked to the public. The sale of packaged, uncooked, non-native venison through grocery stores and other outlets is authorized under the regulations. The packages must be properly labeled in the manner required by the regulation and appropriate documentation of legal source of acquisition must be maintained by the person possessing the venison for commercial purposes. The packages must be “tamper proof;” therefore, a zip lock plastic bag would not meet the requirements. However, plastic wrap packaging or other package types are acceptable, provided the container cannot be readily opened and resealed. We suggest placing a label or tape around the package to render it “tamper proof”.

For more information regarding sale of venison, a copy of Rule 68A-12.004, Possession or Sale of Birds or Mammals can be found at [www.flrules.org/](http://www.flrules.org/).

We appreciate your interest in the sale of venison. If we can answer any further questions, please do not hesitate to write or call this office (850) 488-6253.