

Urban Deer Hunt Program Application

Purpose: The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission (AGFC) supports the use of regulated hunting as the most effective and efficient way to manage wildlife populations. As part of a cooperative effort, the AGFC will provide technical assistance and regulation framework in order to aid municipalities wishing to manage urban deer populations and/or address urban deer issues through the use of archery hunting. The AGFC recognizes that each municipality varies greatly with regards to its governance, population, demographics, land-use patterns, and to the acceptance of urban deer management. Therefore, the AGFC has established an urban deer hunting program which may be adapted to meet the municipalities' needs.

City Contact Information:

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Urban Deer Hunt Rules: *(These are rules which are defined by the city and are in addition to those mandated by the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission as outlined in the Urban Deer Hunt Program Protocol.*

- 1) Will your city require that urban hunt participants be older than 6 years old? Yes No
- 2) If you require your urban hunt participants to be older than 6 years old what will the minimum age requirement of your urban hunt participants be? 16 years of age
- 3) Will your city allow the use of crossbows? Yes No
- 4) If your city allow a the use of crossbows will there be any guidelines placed on who may use them? Yes No If so, who may use crossbows? Medical necessity on a per case basis
- 5) Will you allow hunters to hunt from the ground or require that they hunt out of elevated stands only? No (list any exceptions)
- 6) If you require hunters to hunt from an elevated stand what will the minimum height requirement be? 10 feet above ground
- 7) Will you require that hunters hunt a minimum distance of 50 yards from designated trails or parks? Yes No
- 8) Will you require your hunters to pass a shooting proficiency test? Yes No

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9) Will you require your hunters to have passed the International Bowhunter Education Program (IBEP)? Yes No

10) The approved time frame to conduct an urban deer hunt is September 1st - February 28th.
What dates will your city conduct its hunt this season? September 1, 2015 thru
February 28, 2016.

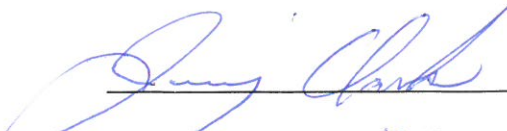
Additional urban deer hunt rules defined by the city:

1. See attached sheet
2. _____
3. _____
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5. _____

Cities participating in the Urban Deer Hunt Program will be required to:

- Provide a completed and signed urban hunt application to the AGFC by May 15th.
- Conduct an urban hunt orientation for its hunters prior to its hunt.
- Provide hunters will a list of "Rules of the Hunt" for their city.
- Issue vehicle dash placards to its hunters which legibly show the hunter's name, address, phone number, and date of birth.
- Issue urban hunt tags to its hunters and record all necessary information requested on the urban hunter registration ledger (provided by the AGFC).

Urban Deer Hunt City Approval Signature: By signing, the city agrees to participate in the 2015-2016 Urban Deer Hunt Program and enter into a partnership with the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission. The city also agrees to the hunt guidelines outlined above and to those outlined in the Urban Deer Hunt Program Protocol. The implementation of any pre-hunt qualification will be the responsibility of the city.



City Representative - Mayer

April 21, 2015
Date

2015-2016 Urban Deer Hunt Rules

- Must have valid Arkansas Hunting License
- Must have a Hunter Education card if born after 1968
- Must use archery only (compound or crossbows)
- Must hunt during normal AGFC Bow Season (09/1/15 – 2/28/16)
- Possess written permission from a property owner if hunting on private property
- Shoot from a stand at least 10 feet above the ground
- Must use this tag only in the city limits
- First deer must be a doe
- Must check deer according to State guidelines
- Cover deer with poly tarp before and after school hours
- Please donate the first deer to Cash Saver's , 1012 Highway 25B North, to help feed people of Cleburne County