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- **2011 deer and turkey season harvest data by county**
- **Area maps of conservation lands**
- **Live Telecheck results by county**
- **Outdoor skills classes**
- **Hunter-education classes**

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Note: According to rule 3 CSR 10-5.216 of the *Wildlife Code*, if you have been convicted of multiple or major violations of the *Wildlife Code* in the past five years, the Conservation Commission may consider suspending or revoking your hunting, trapping and/or fishing privileges regardless of any previous court action. The point system the Commission uses to assess *Wildlife Code* violations is explained at **mdc.mo.gov/node/16861**.

Chronic Wasting Disease

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) has been found in a small number of captive and free-ranging deer in north-central Missouri. CWD causes neurological damage in deer, elk and moose that leads to changes in behavior, extreme weight loss and excessive salivation. The disease is always fatal, and there is no known cure for CWD.

When did CWD arrive in Missouri?

Missouri's first cases of CWD were detected in three captive white-tailed bucks at two private hunting preserves in Linn and Macon counties between February 2010 and December 2011. Eight more cases of CWD have been found in captive white-tailed deer at the private Macon-County facility since December 2011 for a total of 11 CWD-positive deer at the two private facilities.

In response to the initial cases, the Conservation Department worked with hunters during the 2010 and 2011 firearms deer seasons to collect tissue samples from 2,027 deer harvested in the area. From this sampling, two adult bucks from Macon County tested positive for CWD in the fall of 2011. The two positive test results were the first for free-ranging deer in Missouri. In response to the two positive free-ranging deer, the Department again worked with landowners and the public in Linn and Macon counties to sample 657 more free-ranging deer in early 2012 to more accurately determine the prevalence and distribution of the disease in the local area. From this sampling, two adult does and one adult buck tested positive for CWD.

As of May 2012, Missouri has identified 16 cases of CWD in white-tailed deer with all of them being found in Linn or Macon counties. Eleven cases were from captive deer and five were from free-ranging deer.

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How does CWD spread?

CWD spreads through prions, which are abnormal proteins that attack the nervous system. Prions can be passed from one deer to another. Prions also enter the environment through urine, feces or carcasses of diseased deer and can infect deer in the area for years afterwards. Thus, activities such as feeding that unnaturally concentrate deer can lead to higher infection rates. Prions move moderate distances when young, infected bucks disperse from their birthplaces. Prions move long distances through the transportation of infected captive deer or the improper disposal of infected deer carcasses.

How serious is the problem?

White-tailed deer are a vital part of Missouri's biodiversity, hunting heritage and local economies. More than 500,000 Missourians hunt deer. Each year, deer hunting supports 11,000 jobs and adds more than $1 billion to Missouri's economy. Once established, CWD progresses slowly but methodically through a deer herd with devastating results. The Department considers CWD to be a serious problem.

Can CWD infect people or livestock?

The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services says there is no evidence that CWD can infect people. The Missouri Department of Agriculture says there is no evidence that CWD can spread to domestic livestock, such as sheep or cattle. The Chronic Wasting Disease Alliance recommends the following common-sense precautions when handling deer that may have been exposed to CWD:

- Do not handle or consume any deer that is acting abnormally or appears to be sick.
- Contact the Conservation Department if you see or harvest an animal that appears sick.
- Wear latex or rubber gloves when field dressing deer.
- Bone out meat from the animal. Don't saw through bone, and avoid cutting through the brain or spinal cord (backbone).
- Minimize handling of brain and spinal tissues.
- Wash hands and instruments thoroughly after field dressing is completed.
- Avoid consuming brain, spinal cord, eyes, spleen, tonsils and lymph nodes of harvested deer. Normal field dressing coupled with boning-out a carcass will remove most, if not all, of these body parts. Cutting away all fatty tissue will remove remaining lymph nodes.
- Avoid consuming meat from any animal that tests positive for CWD.

What is the Conservation Department doing about CWD?

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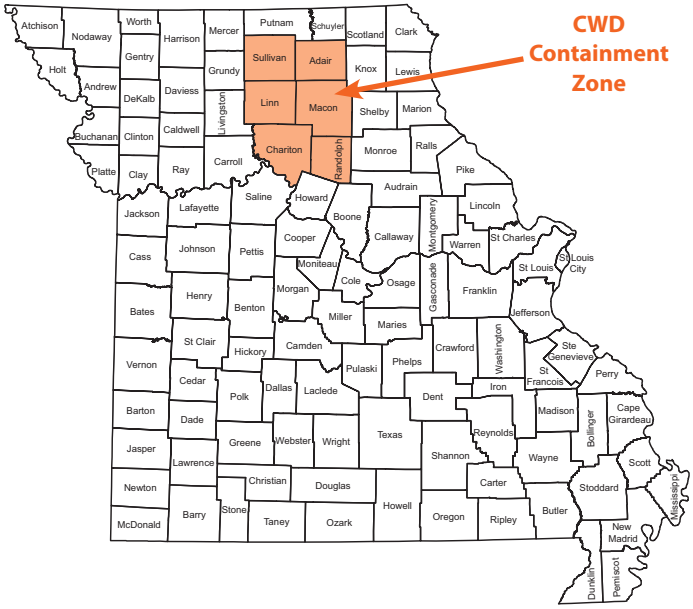
To slow the spread of CWD, the Department has established a six-county containment zone, enacted new regulations and continues to test captive and wild deer. To make these efforts successful, we need help from hunters, landowners and the general public. Please educate yourself about CWD and follow the regulations and guidelines listed below.

New! The counties of Adair, Chariton, Linn, Macon, Randolph and Sullivan (see map) now comprise a CWD Containment Zone. Special regulations and voluntary guidelines apply in these counties.



New! Grain, salt products, minerals and other consumable natural or manufactured products used to attract deer are now prohibited in the CWD Containment Zone. However, the following exceptions are allowed:

- Feed placed within 100 feet of any residence or occupied building
- Feed placed in a manner that excludes access by deer
- Feed and minerals used solely for normal agricultural, forest management or wildlife food plot production practices

Activities such as feeding deer or attracting them using salts and minerals artificially concentrates many deer in a small area. This increases the chance for CWD to be spread from one deer to another or from the soil to a deer.

New! The antler-point restriction (four-point rule) has been lifted for the six counties in the CWD Containment Zone. Male deer exhibit CWD at much higher rates than females. The dispersal of yearling males from their birthplaces in search of home territories and mates is also a primary way CWD spreads.

CWD Guidelines

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New! The Department encourages hunters who harvest deer in the CWD Containment Zone not to take whole deer carcasses or carcass parts out of the Zone. However, these items are safe to transport:

- Meat that is cut and wrapped
- Meat that has been boned out
- Quarters or other portions of meat with no part of the spinal column or head attached
- Hides or capes from which all excess tissue has been removed
- Antlers
- Antlers attached to skull plates or skulls cleaned of all muscle and brain tissue
- Finished taxidermy products

CWD prions can enter the environment through carcasses of diseased deer and can infect deer in the area for years afterwards. Moving harvested deer that still have parts known to concentrate CWD (brain, spinal cord, eyes, spleen and lymph nodes) from the Containment Zone could introduce CWD to other parts of Missouri.

Note: Hunters who harvest a deer, elk or moose out of state and bring the animal with the spinal column or head attached into Missouri must report the animal's entry within 24 hours by calling toll free 877-853-5665. The carcass must be taken to a licensed meat processor or taxidermist within 72 hours of entry. Meat processors and taxidermists must dispose of the spinal cord and other parts in a properly permitted landfill. Upper canine teeth and the items listed to the left as safe for removal from the Containment Zone do not require a phone call.

New! From Sept. 15 to Jan. 15, hunters who harvest deer within the CWD Containment Zone are encouraged to donate tissue samples to help the Conservation Department monitor the disease. Removing a tissue sample is free and takes little time. Just take your harvested deer to one of these locations:

- Snyder's European Bone Works, 10385 State Hwy. 6, Green Castle, 660-342-3940
- Rick's Taxidermy, 1405 Fairview Dr., Kirksville, 660-627-7009
- Backwoods Taxidermy, 17526 Bethel Ridge Rd. Novinger, 660-488-5899
- Hatcher's, 607 S. Water, Milan, 660-265-4307
- Michael Dorrell, 808 E. Hauser St., Marceline, 660-376-3782
- Petty's Taxidermy & Guns, 28204 Hwy. F, Brookfield, 660-258-7803

- Brush Creek Taxidermy, 10288 Hwy. ZZ, Marceline, 573-999-4594
- Timber Ghost Taxidermy, 31360 Hwy. D, Marceline, 660-413-2231
- Cutting Edge Taxidermy, 215 N. Rollins St., Macon, 660-414-5287
- Bowen Taxidermy, 20957 State Hwy. K, Atlanta, 660-651-9777
- Moore's Taxidermy, 31349 Marshall Rd., Jacksonville, 660-775-2449
- Flint Creek Taxidermy, 25418 Hornet St., Atlanta, 660-342-5308
- Long Branch Taxidermy, 26691 Iroquois Rd., Excello, 660-349-9890
- Sugar Creek Taxidermy, 39772 Hwy. C, College Mound, 660-651-9229
- Wildlife Reborn, 35726 Noble Rd., Macon, 660-349-8065
- Misty Morning Taxidermy, 508 N. East, La Plata, 660-216-1137
- Mid-MO Taxidermy, 2073 Hwy. EE, Moberly, 660-651-8021
- Garland's Wildlife Artistry, 234 Hwy. JJ, Huntsville, 660-277-4339

On Nov. 10, 11 and 17 Department staff will be at the following locations to collect tissue samples:

- King's Processing & Catering, 33181 Hwy. WW, Marceline
- Special D Meats, 30637 Lake St., Macon
- Buck Ridge Butcher Shop, 11245 Grouse Ave., La Plata (Nov. 10 and 17 only)
- Purdin Processing, 100 C St., Purdin
- Sprague's Locker, 700 Brookfield Ave., Brookfield
- Salisbury Meat Market & Processing, 29047 Market Lane, Salisbury
- Tucker's Grocers & Processing, 355 W. Front St., Green Castle
- Country Meat Shop, 1515 W. Outer Rd. Hwy. 63, Moberly
- Intersection of Highways 5 and 6 in Milan (Opening weekend and second Saturday only)

The Conservation Department is listening to landowners, deer hunters and others with a stake in this issue. We welcome comments and suggestions at **mdc.mo.gov/node/17901**.

Don't hunt over bait

Deer and turkeys may not be hunted with the aid of bait. If you put out food for deer or turkeys in an area you intend to hunt, be sure to mark your calendars with a date to remove all food. **New!** To limit the spread of chronic wasting disease (CWD), placing grain, salt products, minerals and other consumable natural or manufactured products is prohibited at all times in the six-county CWD Containment Zone. See Page 3 for more information. For counties outside the CWD Containment Zone, see below for guidelines on baiting.

- Use of bait—which includes grain or other feed placed or scattered so as to attract deer or turkeys—while hunting is illegal.
- An area is considered baited for 10 days after complete removal of the bait.
- A hunter can be in violation if they take or attempt to take a deer or turkey by the aid of bait where the person knows or reasonably should know that the area is or has been baited.
- It is illegal to place bait in a way that causes others to be in violation of the baiting rule.
- Doe urine and other scents, such as apple, acorn and persimmon, may be used to attract deer while hunting, as long as the scents are not used on or with grain and other food products.
- Mineral blocks, including salt, are not considered bait. However, mineral blocks that contain grain or other food additives are prohibited.
- It is legal to hunt over a harvested crop field, but it is not legal to add grain or other crops, such as apples, to the field after it has been harvested.
- Manipulating crops, such as mowing or knocking them down, is not considered baiting for deer and turkeys; however, it is illegal to hunt waterfowl over manipulated crops.

General Regulations for Deer and Turkey Hunters

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Deer and turkeys may be pursued, taken, killed, possessed or transported only as outlined in this booklet.

Firearms safety

Firearms safety is the first responsibility of every hunter. All hunters must be familiar with and follow the rules of safe firearms handling.

Hunter-orange requirements

The following people are required to wear a cap or hat and also a shirt, vest or coat of hunter orange so that the color is plainly visible from all sides. Camouflage orange does not satisfy this requirement.

- Firearms deer hunters during all portions of the firearms deer season
- Adults accompanying youths hunting deer on a firearms deer hunting permit
- Archery hunters during the youth portions statewide and during the urban zones and antlerless portions in open areas
- All hunters (except migratory bird hunters) during the urban zones, youth, November and antlerless portions in open areas. **Note:** Fall firearms turkey hunters must wear hunter orange in some areas Oct. 5–8 (see Page 16).

The following deer hunters are exempt from the hunter-orange requirement:

- Hunters using archery methods within municipal boundaries where discharge of firearms is prohibited
- Archery permittees hunting during the alternative methods portion of the firearms deer season
- Hunters on federal or state public hunting areas where deer hunting is by archery methods only. Hunter orange, however, is recommended for archery hunters who are hunting close to areas open to firearms methods.

Note: Safety conscious hunters display hunter orange even when it isn't required. Here are some examples:

- When walking to and from a turkey hunt, especially when carrying harvested game
- When hunting inside a camouflaged blind
- When hunting close to areas where firearms hunting is allowed

Beware: When using a camouflaged blind, other hunters cannot see you even if you are legally wearing hunter orange. To be safe, tie hunter orange on each side of the blind so it can be seen from all sides.

Methods prohibited

- Deer and turkeys may not be taken with the use of dogs, electronic calls, electronically activated calls, live decoys or bait. Scents and minerals, including salt, are not considered bait; however, mineral blocks with food additives are prohibited. An area is considered baited for 10 days after complete removal of the bait. A hunter can be in violation if they take or attempt to take a deer or turkey by the aid of bait where the person knows or reasonably should know that the area is or has been baited. It is illegal to place bait in a way that causes others to be in violation of the baiting rule.
- **New!** Salt products, minerals and other consumable natural or manufactured products used to attract deer are prohibited in the Chronic Wasting Disease Containment Zone of Adair, Chariton, Linn, Macon, Randolph and Sullivan counties. See Page 3 for more information.
- Deer may not be hunted, pursued or taken within any area enclosed by a fence greater than 7 feet in height, except in licensed hunting preserves.
- Deer and turkeys may not be pursued or taken from or with the aid of a motor-driven vehicle. Deer may not be taken while they are in a stream or other body of water, or from any boat with a motor attached.

Antlered deer limit

- Each hunter may take only one antlered deer during the firearms deer season. This includes all portions, including the two youth portions.
- If you want to take additional antlered deer, you must hunt on an archer's hunting permit during the archery deer season or in a managed hunt where antlered deer can be taken.

Hunter-education requirement

All hunters born on or after Jan. 1, 1967, must complete an approved hunter-education program and display their card before they can purchase a firearms deer or turkey hunting permit unless:

- They first purchase an Apprentice Hunter Authorization. See Page 30 for requirements.
- They are ages 6–15 and will be hunting with a qualified mentor. See Page 26.
- **New!** They failed to pass the hunter-education certification tests due to a developmental disability. See "What's New" on the back cover.

Hunters do not need to show their hunter-education card if certification can be verified electronically. Most hunters who use the e-Permits System will have their certification verified online. If this is not possible, some hunters will need to contact the Department to provide proof of hunter-education certification. Once in the database, hunters won't have to submit this information again.

Definitions

Deer: White-tailed deer and mule deer.

Antlered Deer: A deer with at least one antler a minimum of 3 inches long, except that special restrictions apply in 63 counties. See Page 10.

Take: To hunt, pursue, wound, capture or kill any wildlife in any manner. Also includes acts of assistance to other people attempting to take wildlife.

Taker: A person who takes or attempts to take wildlife.

Resident: A person who does not claim resident privileges in another state or country, and whose actual and legal residence are both in Missouri and have been for at least the last 30 days.

A person must be at least 11 years old to receive hunter-education certification. People hunting with resident landowner permits are exempt from the hunter-education requirement unless they were born on or after Jan. 1, 1967, and are mentoring a firearms hunter who is not hunter-education certified.

Assisting other deer and turkey hunters

A person must have a filled or unfilled turkey hunting permit to call turkeys for another hunter. Also, a person must have a filled or unfilled deer hunting permit to assist others in pursuing or taking deer, which includes participating in deer drives or enticing deer with calls or rattling antlers. It is illegal to shoot or take a deer or turkey for another hunter. **Note:** Party hunting where hunters pool their tags is prohibited.

Purple paint law

Landowners may post or define the boundaries of their property by marking trees and fence posts with purple paint. In a court of law, a property boundary marked with purple paint is the same as posting "No Trespassing" signs.

Tree stands placed on Conservation Department areas

Portable tree stands may be placed or used only between Sept. 1 and Jan. 31 on Conservation Department areas. Unattended stands must be plainly labeled on durable material with the full name and address, or Conservation I.D. number of the owner and be removed from the area before Feb. 1. Use of nails, screw-in steps or any material that would damage the tree is prohibited.

Retrieval of game

Anyone who kills or injures a deer or turkey must make a reasonable effort to retrieve and include the animal in his or her season limit, but this does not authorize trespass. It is a violation to wantonly leave or abandon commonly edible portions of game.

Use of dogs to recover legally taken game

A hunter may use leashed dogs to track and recover mortally wounded deer or turkeys, provided the hunter: (1) has exhausted other reasonable means of finding the animal, (2) contacts a conservation agent, (3) does not possess firearms or bows during dog-tracking activities, and (4) maintains control of the leashed dog at all times.
Note: Use of dogs to recover game does not authorize trespass.

Keep deer carcasses out of streams and lakes

It is illegal to place a deer carcass or any of its parts into any well, spring, brook, branch, creek, stream, pond or lake. See Page 4 for how hunters can limit the spread of chronic wasting disease by proper disposal of deer carcasses.

Labeling game

All harvested deer and turkeys, either whole or processed, must be labeled with the taker's full name, address, date taken and Telecheck confirmation number.

Giving away deer and turkeys

A hunter who takes a deer or turkey may give it to another person, but the game counts toward the taker's bag limit. Deer and turkeys that are given away must be labeled with the taker's full name, address, date taken and Telecheck confirmation number.

Possession, storage and sale

Properly checked deer and turkeys may be possessed by anyone if labeled with the taker's full name, address, date taken and Telecheck confirmation number. The Telecheck confirmation number must remain attached to the carcass until a processor begins the act of processing the meat for packaging.

Deer left at commercial processing or cold storage plants must be claimed by May 1 following the season taken or the owner will be in violation of Rule 3 CSR 10-4.140.

Turkeys may not be possessed after Feb. 15 following the season taken.

Thinking about a timber harvest on your land?

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www.callb4ucut.com

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Tree-stand safety

There are many reasons for using elevated tree stands. They offer a better vantage point, a larger field of view and an earlier view of game. However, they also are a major cause of accidents during the deer hunting seasons.

The following safety tips reduce the risk of hunting from elevated tree stands:

- Practice with your stand at ground level, gradually going higher. Several Conservation Department shooting ranges and outdoor education centers have practice poles for free public use.
- Know the proper procedure for securing the stand to a tree and how to use the stand properly.
- Read the manufacturer's warnings and instructions before each season.
- Use only stands that meet standards of the Treestand Manufacturer's Association (TMA) rated for your weight and all gear or equipment you wear or have with you on the stand.
- Always use a fall-arrest system that meets TMA standards, which includes a full-body harness rated for your weight and any gear you wear or attach to yourself.
- Have your fall-arrest system attached to the tree from the moment you leave the ground, throughout the hunt and when you descend to the ground.
- Always position yourself so that you step down onto your tree stand to test its stability.
- Always use a haul line to raise and lower your gear, including unloaded firearms, bows and arrows.

For more details on tree-stand safety from the National Bowhunter Education Foundation, go to **www.nbef.org**.

Legally obtained turkey bones and feathers, and deer heads, antlers, hides and feet may be sold by the taker, but the taker must provide a bill of sale showing:

- The taker's full name and address
- The species and number of the parts
- The full name and address of the buyer

For deer heads and/or antlers attached to skull plates, a dated bill of sale identifying the seller must be retained while the heads or antlers are in the buyer's possession.

Any person who finds a dead deer with antlers still attached to the skull plate may take the antlers, but must report the find to a conservation agent within 24 hours to receive authorization to possess the antlers.

No authorization is needed to possess, buy and sell shed antlers not attached to the skull plate.

Shooting dogs is illegal

Although landowners have some recourse if dogs are injuring or killing livestock under Missouri Revised Statutes, Section 273.030, dogs that merely enter private property may not be killed. In fact, Section 578.012 provides penalties for intentionally killing a dog or other animal.

Anyone killing a dog under circumstances other than the narrow ones described above can expose themselves to significant legal difficulty. Those who kill dogs may be forced to pay restitution and/or face criminal charges. Because dogs are considered personal property, dog killings are investigated by local law enforcement authorities, not by conservation agents.

It is illegal for people to trespass on private property. Ethical hunters who use dogs do their best to keep them off property where dogs are not wanted, and should contact the property owner for permission to retrieve them when their dogs follow game onto such private property. The Conservation Department works with the Sporting Dog Association of Missouri and other groups to encourage legal and ethical hunting activities and to establish good relationships with private landowners.

Free Deer Publications for Hunters and Landowners

The Missouri Department of Conservation and University of Missouri (MU) Extension are collaborating on a publication series devoted to deer management. The series is intended for landowners, hunters and wildlife enthusiasts who want to learn about deer biology and habitat management. Publication topics include deer ecology, antler growth, diseases, harvest data, nutrition, aging deer by jawbones and more. The publications are free and available on MU Extension's website at **extension.missouri.edu/main/DisplayCategory.aspx?C=82**.

Hunting other game during the firearms deer hunting season

If you hunt small game during the firearms deer season, you must have a small game permit or exemption. Before taking small game and furbearers, be sure the season is open for that particular animal.

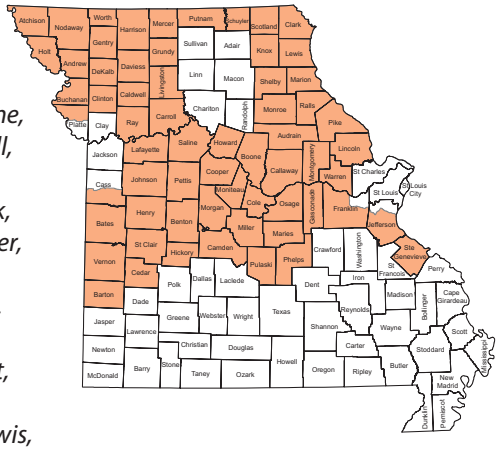
During the November and antlerless portions of the firearms deer season from Nov. 10–20 statewide and Nov. 21–Dec. 2 in open areas (see map on Page 18), other wildlife may be hunted only with a .22 caliber or smaller rimfire rifle or a shotgun and shot not larger than No. 4. However, this does not apply to waterfowl hunters, trappers, landowners on their own land, or lessees on land they lease and live on.

During daylight hours from Nov. 1–20 statewide and also Nov. 21–Dec. 2 in areas open during the antlerless portion (see map on Page 18), ***furbearers*** may not be chased, pursued or taken with the aid of dogs.

During daylight hours of the November portion of the firearms deer hunting season from Nov. 10–20, ***squirrels and rabbits*** may not be chased, pursued or taken with the aid of dogs in Butler, Carter, Dent, Iron, Madison, Oregon, Reynolds, Ripley, Shannon or Wayne counties.

Antler-Point Restriction

In the areas shown in orange on the map below, only bucks that have at least four antler points on one side of their rack may be taken during the archery and firearms deer hunting seasons (except the youth portions). New! To limit the spread of chronic wasting disease (CWD), the counties of Adair, Chariton, Linn, Macon, Randolph and Sullivan no longer have an antler-point restriction. See Page 3 for more information.

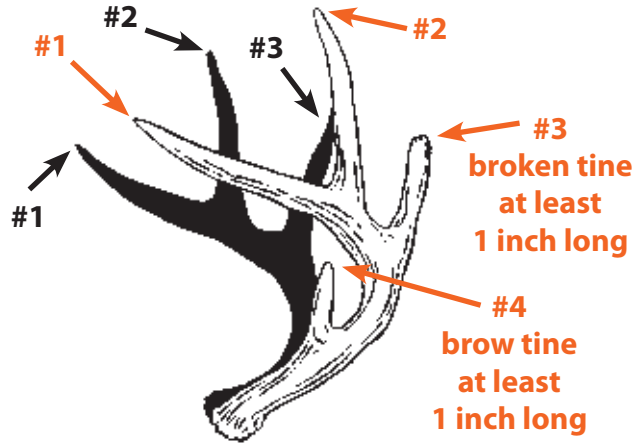


- *Counties of Andrew, Atchison, Audrain, Barton, Bates, Benton, Boone, Buchanan, Caldwell, Callaway, Camden, Carroll, Cedar, Clark, Clinton, Cole, Cooper, Daviess, DeKalb, Gasconade, Gentry, Grundy, Harrison, Henry, Hickory, Holt, Howard, Johnson, Knox, Lafayette, Lewis, Lincoln, Livingston, Maries, Marion, Mercer, Miller, Moniteau, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Nodaway, Osage, Pettis, Phelps, Pike, Pulaski, Putnam, Ralls, Ray, Saline, Schuyler, Scotland, Shelby, St. Clair, Ste. Genevieve, Vernon, Warren and Worth*
- *Portions of Cass, Franklin, Jefferson and Platte counties NOT included in the urban zones. See description of boundaries on pages 16–17.*

How to count points

In areas shown in orange on the map to the left, an antlered deer must have at least four points on one side to be taken. Each of the following counts as a point:

- An antler point, if it is at least 1 inch long
- The brow tine, if it is at least 1 inch long
- The end of the main beam
- Any broken tine that is at least 1 inch long



Tines, main beams and brow tines all count as a point if they are at least 1 inch long. A buck with the seven-point rack above with three points on one side (labeled in black) and four on the other (labeled in orange) is a legal deer in the areas shown in orange on the map to the left. **Note:** If you harvest a buck that has shed its antlers or broken the antlers off less than 3 inches from their base, record the harvest on Telecheck as an antlered buck with 0 points.

Hunting tips for areas with antler-point restriction

Bring binoculars and give yourself plenty of time to count antler points before you take a shot. Wait for a buck that has at least four points on one side.

Successful hunters wait for the best shot—when the deer turns broadside. Learn to recognize antlers from this view to minimize errors in the field.

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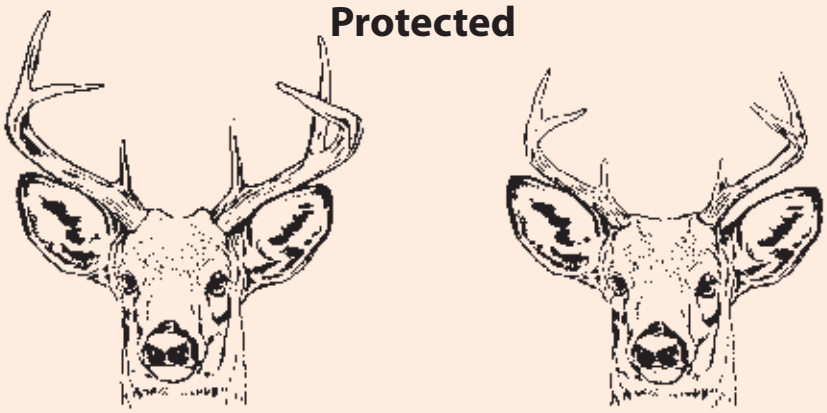
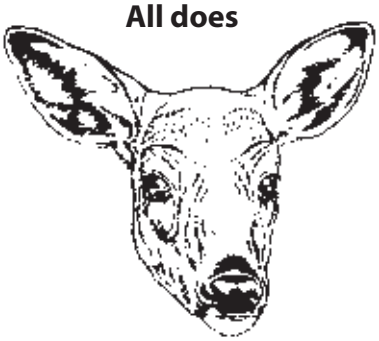


Don't be fooled by size. The buck on the left has a large rack; but it has only three points on each side, just like the one on the right. Both of these deer are illegal under the four-point restriction.

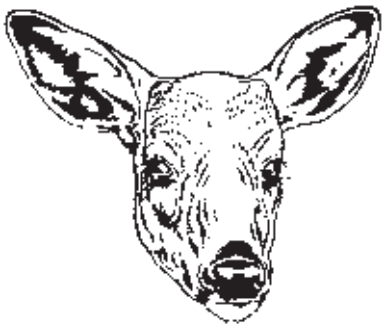
Legal to take

Does, button bucks and bucks with spikes less than 3 inches are legal to take on Antlerless or Any-Deer Permits; but for deer management, it is better to take does.

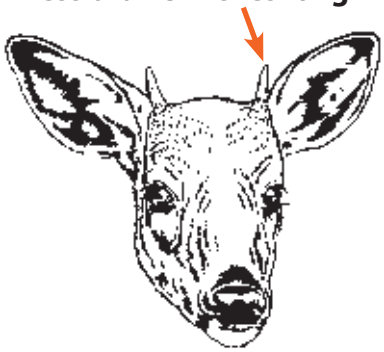
All does



Button bucks

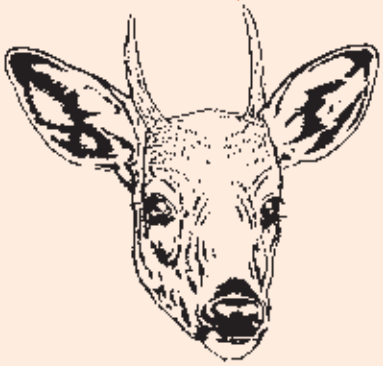


Bucks with spikes less than 3 inches long



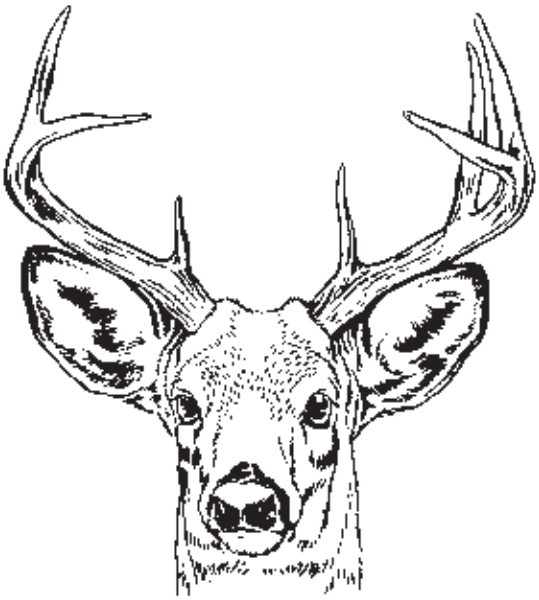
Protected

spikes 3 inches or more

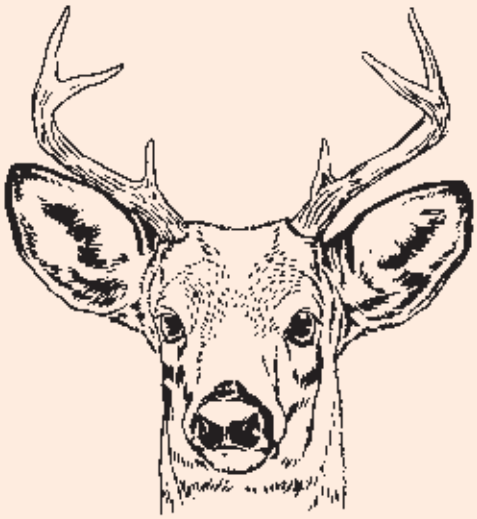


Protected deer include all antlered deer (defined as having at least one antler 3 inches or longer) that do not have a minimum of at least four points on one side.

Bucks with at least four points on one side



A legal buck must have a minimum of four points on one side, regardless of the number of points on the other side, like the seven-point buck above.



Letting these younger males mature will increase the number of adult bucks in the future.

Feral Hog Regulations

Feral hogs destroy wildlife habitat, compete with native wildlife for food, and spread diseases to people, pets and livestock. They are a menace that must be eradicated.

A feral hog is defined as any hog, including Russian and European wild boar, that is not conspicuously identified by ear tags or other identification and is roaming freely on public or private land without the landowner's permission.

It is illegal to release feral hogs on public land or on private land that is not fenced to contain them. If you see someone releasing hogs, report them immediately to your local conservation agent or call Operation Game Thief toll free at 1-800-392-1111.

The Conservation Department discourages anyone from hunting specifically for feral hogs because hunters' activities interfere with the Department's efforts to eradicate feral hogs. However, if you are afield for other game and encounter a feral hog, shoot it on sight! If you kill a feral hog on public land or on private land where you have permission to hunt, you are not liable if someone later claims to own the animal.

During all portions of the fall firearms deer season:

- You must possess a valid, unfilled firearms deer or small game hunting permit.
- You must abide by the hunting methods allowed for deer listed on Page 15.
- You must abide by any other restrictions that may apply on specific public areas.

During the **November portion** statewide and the **antlerless portion** in open areas:

- If you have a deer permit you may only use methods allowed for deer.
- If you have a small game permit you may only use a .22 caliber or smaller rimfire cartridge or a shotgun with shot not larger than No. 4.
- You may not use dogs to pursue feral hogs during these portions of the firearms deer season.

During the **youth** and **alternative methods portions** statewide, and the **urban zones portion** in open areas:

- If you have a deer permit you may use methods allowed for deer.
- If you have a small game permit you may use methods allowed for small game.

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During the fall firearms turkey hunting season:

- If you are hunting on a Fall Firearms Turkey Hunting Permit, you may only use methods allowed for turkey.
- If you are hunting on a small game hunting permit, you may use methods allowed for small game.

Note: Resident landowners on land they own and lessees on land they reside on may use any method to take feral hogs at any time without any permit.

If you see a feral hog, notify any of the following:

- Nearest Conservation Department regional office (see inside front cover)
- State veterinarian's office at 573-751-3377
- USDA Wildlife Services at 573-449-3033

With your help, we can eliminate these dangerous, destructive pests from Missouri.

Archery Deer and Turkey Hunting

Season dates

- Sept. 15–Nov. 9
- Nov. 21, 2012–Jan. 15, 2013

Open statewide, an antler-point restriction applies in some areas, see map on Page 10.

Shooting hours

One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset

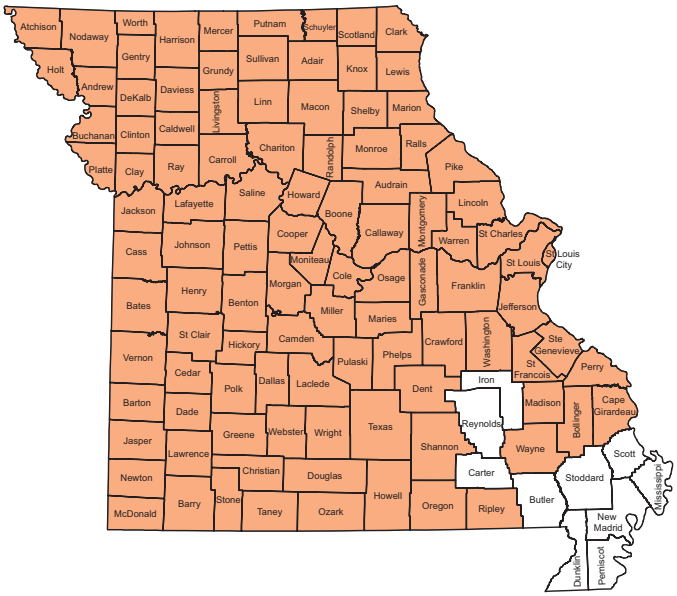
Valid permits

- Resident or Nonresident Archer's Hunting Permit
- Resident Landowner Archer's Hunting Permit
- Resident or Nonresident Archery Antlerless Deer Hunting Permit
- Resident Landowner Archery Antlerless Deer Hunting Permit

Season limit

- Two turkeys of either sex. Both may be taken on the same day.
- Using an archer's hunting permit, two deer, which may be of either sex, provided that before Nov. 10, of the deer taken, only one may be antlered
- Using antlerless permits, any number of antlerless deer in counties where allowed. See map above.

Hunters may purchase and fill any number of Archery Antlerless Deer Hunting Permits during the archery deer season in the counties indicated in orange on the map.



Point to remember

- Archers hunting deer or turkeys during the archery season may not be in possession of a firearm. Some exceptions apply. See Page 48.

Methods allowed

- Longbows, compound bows or recurve bows of any draw weight
- **New!** Atlatls, which are defined as a rod or narrow board-like device used to launch, through a throwing motion of the arm, a dart 5 to 8 feet long
- Hand-held string-releasing devices
- Illuminated sights, scopes and quickpoint sights

Methods prohibited

- A bow fastened to a stock or other device that maintains the bow in a drawn position
- Any sighting device that casts a beam of light on the game
- Use of dogs, bait, electronic calls, electronically activated calls or live decoys

Bowhunters: We Need Your Help!

Please participate in the Bowhunter Observation Survey.

The Conservation Department needs bowhunters to record the deer, turkeys and furbearers they see while hunting. This information helps biologists gauge the health of wildlife populations and set hunting regulations.

It's easy to participate. Just send an email to **paul.rogers@mdc.mo.gov**. Write "Bowhunter Observation Survey" in the subject line, and don't forget to include your name and mailing address. You can also send your name and address to:

Bowhunter Observation Survey
Missouri Department of Conservation
3500 East Gans Road
Columbia, MO 65201

We'll send you a diary to record the deer, turkeys and furbearers you see while bowhunting. At the end of the season, drop the postage-paid diary in the mail. Once Conservation Department biologists tally the information, they'll return your diary along with a summary of sightings for the entire state.

Fall Firearms Turkey Hunting

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Season dates

- Oct. 1–31

Closed counties

Turkeys may be taken in all counties except: Dunklin, McDonald, Mississippi, New Madrid, Newton, Pemiscot and Scott.

Shooting hours

- One-half hour before sunrise to sunset

Valid permits

- Resident or Nonresident Fall Firearms Turkey Hunting Permit
- Resident Landowner Fall Firearms Turkey Hunting Permit

Season limit

- Two turkeys of either sex. Both may be taken on the same day.

Methods allowed

- Shotguns (including .410s) with shot not larger than No. 4
- Longbows, compound bows or recurve bows of any draw weight
- Hand-held string-releasing devices
- Illuminated sights, scopes and quickpoint sights

Methods prohibited

- Shotguns capable of holding more than three shells in magazine and chamber combined
- Shot larger than No. 4 (in use or in possession)
- A bow fastened to a stock or other device that maintains the bow in a drawn position
- Any sighting device that casts a beam of light on the game
- Use of dogs, bait, electronic calls, electronically activated calls or live decoys

Point to remember

- Anyone hunting turkeys during the fall firearms turkey season may not be in possession of both a firearm and a bow. Some exceptions apply. See Page 51.

Safety sticker requirement

All hunters using a shotgun must affix the "Be Safe" sticker to the receiver of their gun so it will be in their line of sight when shooting. The sticker must be maintained on the gun while hunting. Stickers are available at permit vendors and Conservation Department offices.

Basic rules for safe turkey hunting

- ▶ Wear hunter orange when walking through the turkey woods. If you bag a turkey, wrap it in hunter orange before carrying it out.
- ▶ Dress defensively; never wear red, white, blue or black in the turkey woods.
- ▶ Always see the turkey clearly before you shoot; never shoot at sound or movement.
- ▶ Shout to reveal your presence to an approaching hunter; never wave or whistle.
- ▶ Pattern your shotgun to learn its effective range, and learn to accurately judge distances. Remember: 30 yards is about the limit for a clean kill.
- ▶ Remain calm and rational; never let excitement, nerves or panic rule your behavior.
- ▶ Assume every sound or movement is another hunter until you can safely identify it as otherwise.

Firearms Deer Hunting

The firearms deer hunting season is made up of the following portions that provide hunters with many opportunities to take deer while helping to maintain a healthy deer population.

- Urban zones: Oct. 5–8 only in selected areas
- Early youth: Nov. 3–4 statewide
- November: Nov. 10–20 statewide
- Antlerless: Nov. 21–Dec. 2 only in selected areas
- Alternative Methods: Dec. 15–25 statewide
- Late youth: Dec. 29–30 statewide

Season limit

- Each hunter may take only one antlered deer during the firearms deer season (all portions combined). If you want to take additional antlered deer, you must hunt on an archer's hunting permit during the archery season or on a managed hunt permit during a managed hunt.
- All hunters may purchase any number of permits to take antlerless deer, but some county restrictions apply. See map on Page 28.

Shooting hours

- One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset

Valid permits

- Resident or Nonresident Firearms Any-Deer Hunting Permit
- Resident or Nonresident Firearms Antlerless Deer Hunting Permit
- Resident Landowner Firearms Any-Deer Hunting Permit
- Resident Landowner Firearms Antlerless Deer Hunting Permit

Methods allowed

Methods allowed during all portions of the firearms deer season, except the alternative methods portion (see Page 18):

- Centerfire pistols, revolvers or rifles using expanding-type bullets. Legal ammunition includes lead bullets, copper bullets and bullets made of other material designed to expand.
- Shotguns (including .410) with slugs only
- Air-powered guns, .40 caliber or larger, charged only from an external high compression power source (external hand pump, air tank, or air compressor)
- Muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms, .40 caliber or larger and capable of firing only a single projectile at one discharge; in-lines and scopes are allowed.
- Multiple-barreled muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms and/or muzzleloading or cap-and-ball handguns, including revolvers, .40 caliber or larger, are allowed and may be carried in addition to a muzzleloading or cap-and-ball rifle.
- Longbows, compound bows or recurve bows of any draw weight; hand-held string releasing devices, illuminated sights, scopes and quickpoint sights are allowed.
- Crossbows
- Atlatls, which are defined as a rod or narrow board-like device used to launch, through a throwing motion of the arm, a dart 5 to 8 feet long

Methods prohibited *(in use or in possession)*

- Self-loading firearms with capacity of more than 11 cartridges in magazine and chamber combined
- Ammunition propelling more than one projectile at a single discharge (such as buckshot)
- Full hard metal case projectiles
- Fully automatic firearms
- Any sighting device that casts a beam of light on the game
- Electronic calls or electronically activated calls

Hunters, meat processors can reduce lead risk

Studies have shown that people who eat venison taken with lead-based ammunition may be exposed to lead bullet fragments in the meat. Removal of the tissue immediately around the wound area will reduce, but likely not eliminate, exposure to lead.

Health officials in Missouri and several other states have reviewed this information and concluded that lead in venison is a concern, but not a human health crisis. They note that millions of deer and other big-game animals are taken by hunters each year to help control big-game populations. However, caution is advised for young children or women of child-bearing age. Children less than 6 years of age are particularly sensitive to lead exposure because of their developing bodies. Concerns for lead exposure also extend to pregnant women and women of childbearing age because they can pass lead to their unborn children.

The selection of ammunition for hunting deer and turkeys in Missouri is a matter of personal choice. The Conservation Department strives to make the most current knowledge available so hunters can make informed decisions. For those concerned about this information, one solution is to use expanding copper or other nonlead ammunition that is available at most ammunition outlets. For more information on lead and venison, go to **mdc.mo.gov/hunt/deer**.

Urban zones portion

Hunters must abide by all city and county ordinances regarding trespass and use of equipment. Local governments may restrict the methods allowed for hunting. For example, some cities allow only archery methods. Call your local city hall and check local ordinances before you hunt.

Note: Only antlerless deer may be harvested during the urban zones portion.

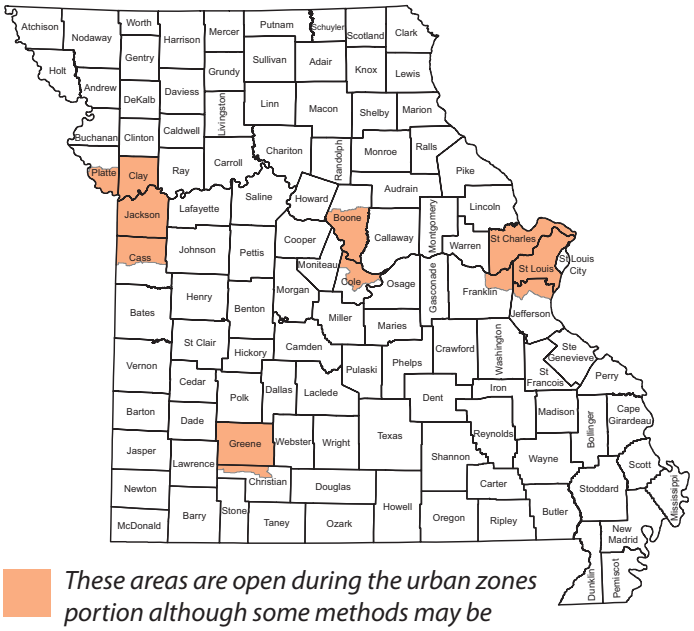
Season dates

- Oct. 5–8 only in open areas; see maps

Methods

- All legal deer hunting methods listed on Page 15 are allowed by the Conservation Department. However, if a local government does not allow a certain method, you must hunt using only the methods allowed in that area.

The Conservation Department will join with the Conservation Federation of Missouri and community sponsors to cover the costs of all whole deer donated to the Share the Harvest program during the urban zones portion. For a list of participating processors, contact your regional Department office. See inside front cover.



These areas are open during the urban zones portion although some methods may be prohibited by local ordinances.

Note: This portion allows for the harvest of antlerless deer in areas where deer numbers need to be reduced. Therefore, some public land where deer are not abundant may be closed to hunting.

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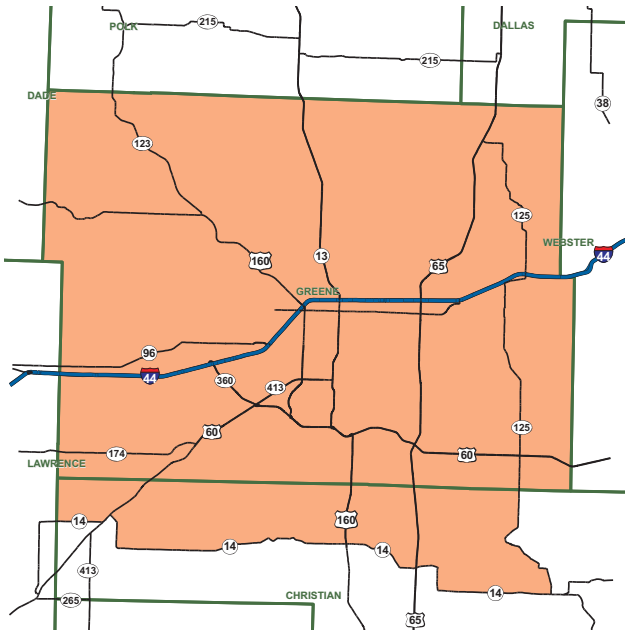
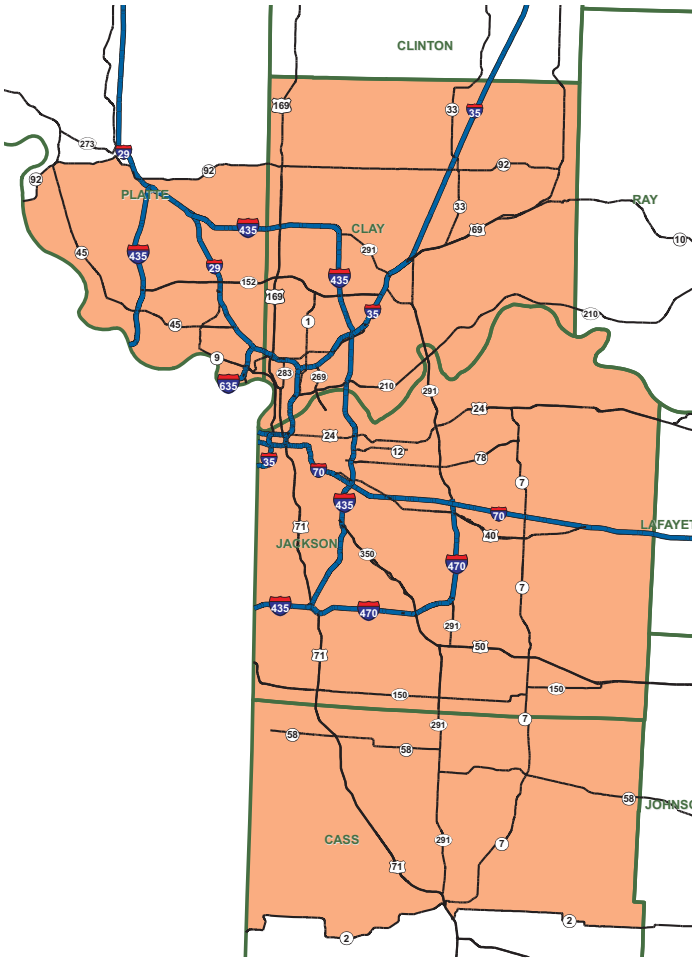
Report sightings to:

Missouri Department of Conservation
3500 East Gans Road
Columbia, MO 65201
573-815-7900



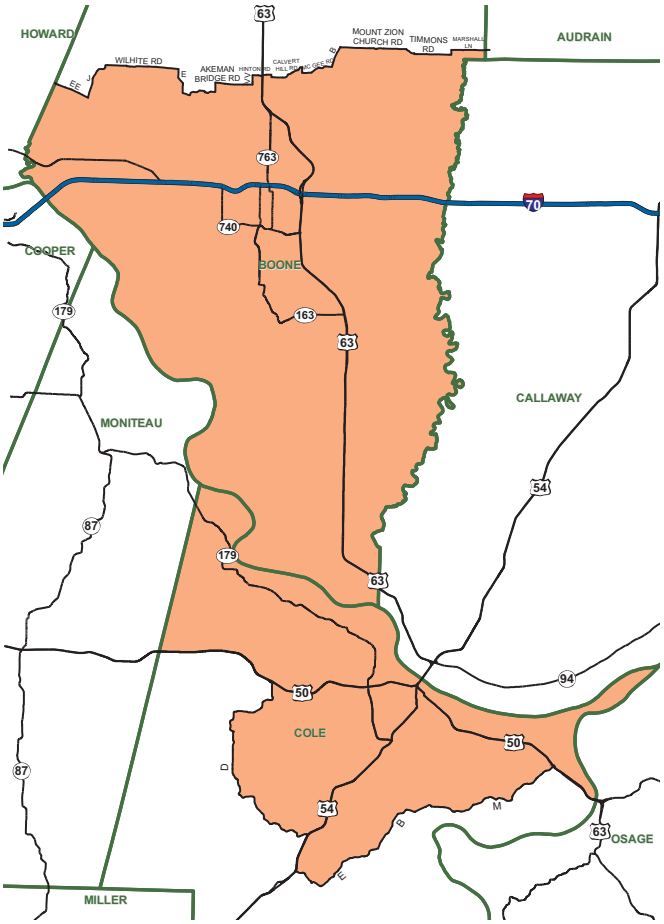
Springfield urban zone

- All of Greene County
- Portion of Christian County north of a line from Lawrence County, east on Route 14 to Hwy. 125, north on Hwy. 125 to the Greene County line



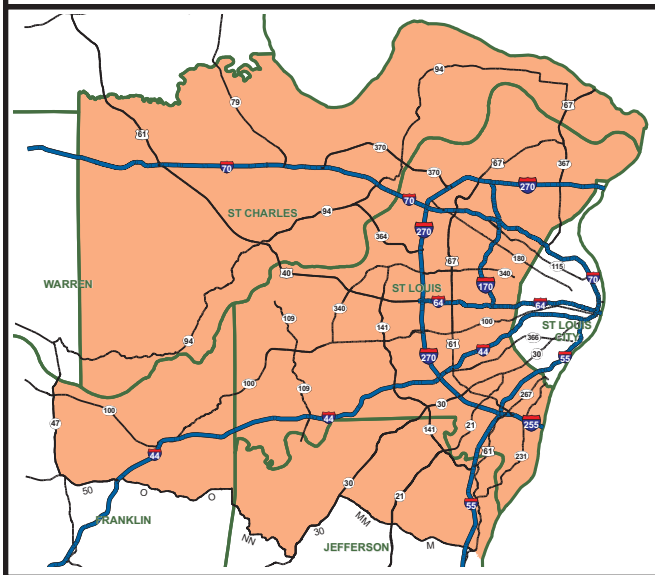
Kansas City urban zone

- Portion of Platte County south of Hwy. 92
- Portion of Cass County north of Route 2
- All portions of Clay and Jackson counties



Columbia/Jefferson City urban zone

- Portion of Boone County south of a line that runs from the Howard County line east on Hwy. EE to Hwy. J to Wilhite Road to Hwy. E to Akeman Bridge Road to Hwy. VV to Hinton Road to Calvert Hill Road to McGee Road to Hwy. B to Mount Zion Church Road to Timmons Road to Marshall Lane to the Audrain County line
- Portion of Cole County north of a line from Moniteau County east on U.S. 50 to Route D to U.S. 54 to Route E to Route B to Route M to U.S. 50 to the Cole-Osage County line



St. Louis urban zone

- All of St. Charles and St. Louis counties
- Portion of Franklin County north and east of a line from Hwy. 47 south to U.S. 50, east to I-44, east to Hwy. O, east to Hwy. NN, south on NN to the Jefferson County line
- Portion of Jefferson County north of a line from Hwy. NN to Hwy. 30, east to Hwy. MM, east to Hwy. M, east to U.S. 61, south to Glaize Creek, east to the Mississippi River

November portion

The November portion allows hunters using all legal deer hunting methods an opportunity to harvest deer.

Season dates

Nov. 10–20 statewide

Methods

- All legal deer hunting methods listed on Page 15 are allowed.

Antlerless portion

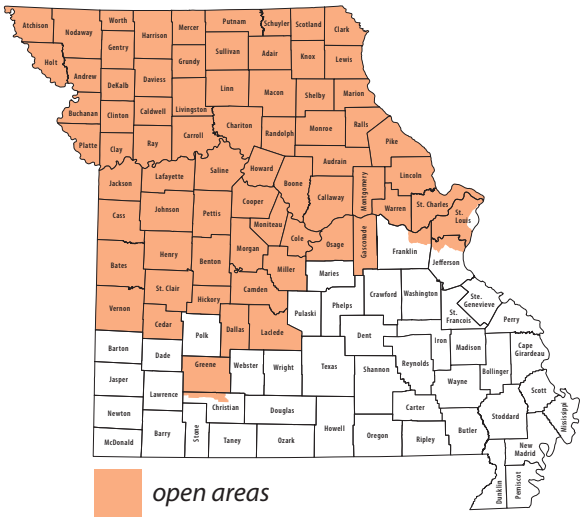
Any hunter with a firearms deer hunting permit of any type (except a managed deer hunting permit) may take antlerless deer in counties and parts of counties that are open during this portion of the season. **Note:** Resident Landowner Any-Deer and Antlerless Deer Permits are valid only on the property for which they are issued.

Season dates

Nov. 21–Dec. 2 only in open areas; see maps on pages 16–17 for boundaries of Christian, Franklin and Jefferson counties.

Methods

- All legal deer hunting methods listed on Page 15 are allowed.



Alternative methods portion

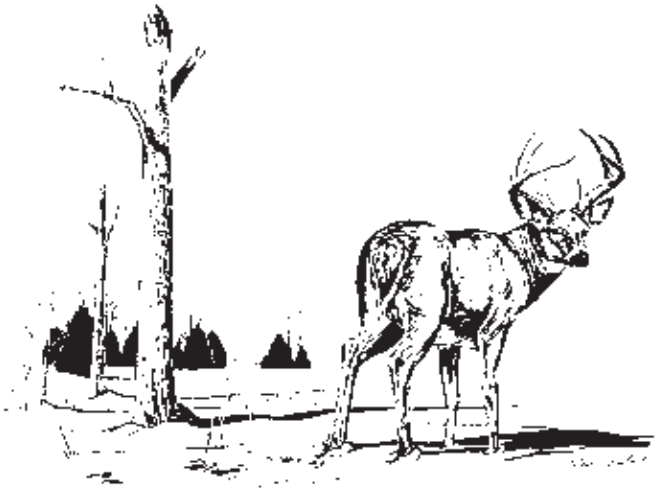
New! To offer hunters more options during what was formerly the muzzleloader portion of the firearms deer season, additional hunting methods will be allowed in 2012.

Season dates

Dec. 15–25 statewide

Methods

- Muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms .40 caliber or larger and capable of firing only a single projectile at one discharge; in-lines and scopes are allowed.
- Multiple-barreled muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms and/or muzzleloading or cap-and-ball handguns, including revolvers, .40 caliber or larger, are allowed and may be carried in addition to a muzzleloading or cap-and-ball rifle.
- Centerfire pistols or revolvers using expanding-type bullets; legal ammunition includes lead bullets, copper bullets and bullets made of other material designed to expand.
- Air-powered guns, .40 caliber or larger, charged only from an external high compression power source (external hand pump, air tank or air compressor)



- Longbows, compound bows or recurve bows of any draw weight; hand-held string-releasing devices, illuminated sights, scopes and quickpoint sights are allowed.
- Crossbows
- Atlatls, which are defined as a rod or narrow board-like device used to launch, through a throwing motion of the arm, a dart 5 to 8 feet long

Youth portions

To participate, the youth hunter must be at least 6 and no older than 15 on the opening day of the early youth portion.

Methods

- All legal deer hunting methods listed on Page 15 are allowed.

Note: The antler-point restriction does not apply during the youth portions. However, it does apply during the rest of the season.

Early portion

- Nov. 3–4 statewide
- Limit: one deer, which may be of either sex

Note: Only one deer may be taken. If you have more than one permit, you must use them in another portion.

Valid permits for both youth portions

Youth may use any of the following permits:

- ▶ Resident Landowner Firearms Any-Deer Hunting Permit (if hunting on qualifying land)
- ▶ Resident Landowner Firearms Antlerless Deer Hunting Permit (if hunting on qualifying land)
- ▶ Resident or Nonresident Firearms Any-Deer Hunting Permit
- ▶ Resident or Nonresident Firearms Antlerless Deer Hunting Permit

If the youth is not hunter-education certified, he or she must hunt in the immediate presence of a qualifying mentor. See Page 26.

Late portion

- Dec. 29–30 statewide

Youth may take deer according to the permits they hold, however:

- Only one antlered deer may be taken during the entire firearms deer season. If the youth has already taken one antlered deer during one of the other portions of the firearms deer season, he or she may not take another during this portion.
- Any number of permits may be purchased to take antlerless deer, but some county restrictions apply. See map on Page 28.

Scheduling youth hunts

One of the goals of the Conservation Department is to provide quality hunting opportunities for Missouri's youth. The Department strives to minimize conflicts among various youth hunts and holidays, but conflicts are inevitable for a number of reasons.

- The special youth hunting seasons must be held on weekends so youth can participate without missing school.
- There are many opportunities for fall and winter youth hunting seasons, including those for deer (early and late), pheasant and quail, and waterfowl (in three different zones); but the number of weekends available is limited.
- Youth hunting seasons are typically scheduled prior to the opening of the "regular" season to maximize the chance of successful harvest.
- Several holidays, including Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day, occur within the relatively brief time available for fall and winter hunting.

First deer or turkey awards

It's hard to beat the excitement of taking your first deer or turkey. To help commemorate this major milestone, the Conservation Department has created special online certificates for kids and adults. Download the certificates at **mdc.mo.gov/node/10469**.

Sign up early for hunter-education classes. Call the regional office near you or go online for class dates. See inside front cover for contact information or try the online hunter-education class. Go to mdc.mo.gov/8821 **for details.**

Managed Deer Hunts

Missouri offers numerous managed deer hunts for archery, crossbow, muzzleloading and modern firearms from mid-September through January.

These hunts achieve deer management goals while also providing additional hunting opportunity. Hunters are selected by a weighted random drawing system.

Note: Participants in all managed hunts except those limited to archery or crossbow methods must wear hunter orange and be hunter-education certified or exempt by age.

Limit

A single Managed Deer Hunting Permit allows each hunter to take the number of deer allowed at the hunt he or she is attending. Some hunts allow one deer, others two and some three.

Note: Deer taken at a managed deer hunt do not count toward the regular season bag limit.

Valid permits

- Resident or Nonresident Managed Deer Hunting Permit

Note: Permits are available to successful applicants beginning Sept. 14 anywhere permits are sold.

Points to remember

- Go to **mdc.mo.gov/7454** for a summary of how many people applied for last year's managed hunts and how many deer were taken.
- If you cannot attend, another hunter cannot take your place. Only those hunters who applied and were drawn may attend.
- Some managed hunts require hunters to attend a mandatory pre-hunt orientation. If you cannot attend the orientation, do not apply for these hunts.
- If you have a methods exemption, you may use a crossbow in an archery managed deer hunt.
- If you apply as one of a party on the application or as an individual, your chances of being drawn for a managed deer hunt are the same as everyone else's.
- Individuals not drawn for a managed deer hunt may not accompany a hunter who was successfully drawn.
- ATVs are prohibited on the managed deer hunt areas.
- If you are not drawn for a managed hunt this year, you will earn one preference point that will increase your odds the next time you apply.

When to apply for a managed hunt

- July 1–Aug. 15

Who can apply

Hunters must be 11 or older by the date of the hunt. Youths may apply singly or with one other youth hunter for youth-only hunts, but not as a group. See pages 21 and 24. If applying for all other hunts, hunters may apply individually or as a group of up to six hunters.

For how many hunts can a hunter apply?

Each hunter may apply for only one managed deer hunt each year. **Hunters who apply for more than one will be disqualified from this year's drawing and will not receive a preference point.**

Wheelchair-confined hunters

Any hunter permanently confined to a wheelchair is automatically allowed to participate in managed deer hunts at:

- August A. Busch Memorial Conservation Area
- Burr Oak Woods Conservation Area
- Caney Mountain Conservation Area
- Clarence Cannon National Wildlife Refuge
- Drury-Mincy Conservation Area
- Fleming Park (East side) *(maximum of three wheelchair hunters)*
- James A. Reed Wildlife Area
- Mingo National Wildlife Refuge *(maximum of five wheelchair hunters)*
- Peck Ranch Conservation Area

These hunts are part of the Managed Deer Hunt Program and are not limited to disabled hunters. Mail a written request **by Aug. 15** indicating hunt preference with attached physician's statement to the Jefferson City address on the inside front cover, Attn: Managed Deer Hunts.

Each disabled hunter may be accompanied by an attendant/care-giver while hunting, but that person may not hunt unless he or she has applied and was successfully drawn for the same hunt. Wheelchair-confined hunters may participate in more than one Managed Deer Hunt, but must purchase a Managed Deer Hunting Permit for each hunt they attend.

To apply, complete the following steps

Step 1: Designate one member of your group to go online. That person ***must*** have ready the following information:

- The two-digit number for the preferred hunt
- The nine-digit Conservation I.D. number of ***each*** hunter in the group. If you need an I.D. number, call 573-751-4115 during regular business hours to have one assigned.

Important: To ensure that your preference point earned last year is used, be sure to use the same Conservation I.D. number you used last year. For future reference, print your confirmation page and save it.

Note: A Social Security number is not the same as a Conservation I.D. number. Your Conservation I.D. number is located on the back of your Conservation Heritage Card and on your permit.

Step 2: Complete the worksheet on this page ***before*** going online so you will have all the information ready.

Step 3: Go online at **mdc.mo.gov/node/11252**. If you have correctly entered all the required information, you will see a message confirming your application.

Step 4: Print your confirmation page or write down your confirmation number, and save it for future reference.

To find out if you've been selected

From Sept. 14 through Dec. 31, go online to see if you've been selected. Be prepared to enter your nine-digit Conservation I.D. number (the same I.D. number you used when you applied) when you check the drawing results. You also must provide your same Conservation I.D. number when you buy your Managed Deer Hunting Permit.

All successful applicants will receive in the mail an area map and other information regarding the hunt. We must have your correct address so you will receive the information you need. If your address has changed, contact your local Department office during regular business hours. See inside front cover.

Successful applicants can purchase their permit beginning Sept. 14 wherever permits are sold.

Note: The odds for drawing a particular hunt are available at **mdc.mo.gov/7454** or by calling a Department office. See inside front cover.

Youth-only managed hunts

There are 12 youth-only managed deer hunts for youths ages 11 through 15 (see Page 24). Application and notification processes for 11 of the 12 hunts are the same as for regular managed hunts except that youth hunters may only apply singly or with one other youth hunter. All successful applicants will be notified by mail. Youths who apply for a youth-only hunt may not also apply for a regular managed deer hunt.

Those drawn to participate must:

- ▶ Purchase a Resident or Nonresident Managed Deer Hunting Permit;
- ▶ Be accompanied by an adult sponsor (age 18 or older) who is hunter-education certified or exempt, and has a filled or unfilled firearms deer hunting permit;
- ▶ Attend a pre-hunt orientation with their adult sponsor at some locations; and
- ▶ Obtain hunter-education certification before the managed hunt or pre-hunt orientation.

Note: Hunter-education certification is not required to apply for a managed hunt, but must be achieved before the hunt. Minimum age to enroll in a hunter-education course is 11. Adult sponsors born before Jan. 1, 1967, are exempt from the hunter-education requirement.

Managed Deer Hunt Application Worksheet

Hunt No.: _____

Method: _____

Location: _____

Date: _____

Hunter **Conservation I.D. number(s)** (nine-digit number on your hunting or fishing permit, or on the **back** of your Conservation Heritage Card below the bar code. Use the same number you used last year.):

1. ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
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5. ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
6. ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

Managed Deer Hunts *(continued)*

Note: If you have a medical condition that limits your mobility and requires you to have special access to a hunting area, such as driving on a service road or using an ATV, please contact the manager of the area on which you want to hunt before applying for a managed hunt. Some areas may not have the access you require, and you may want to apply for a hunt on a different area.

Permits: Resident or Nonresident Managed Deer Hunting Permit only; no other permit may be used to take deer at any managed deer hunt.

Limit: Refer to the "Limit" code for each hunt. When you purchase your Managed Deer Hunting Permit you will receive permits to take the number of deer allowed at the hunt you are attending.

Quota: Refer to "Quota" for the number of hunters that will be drawn to participate in each hunt.

CA = Conservation Area
CP = County Park
ML = Management Lands
NWR = National Wildlife Refuge
SP = State Park
WA = Wildlife Area

Hunt No.	Location	County	Date	Quota	Limit
Archery *(16 hunts—longbow, recurve bow or compound bow only)*					
11	Bicentennial CA[1] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Oct. 26*	Newton	Oct. 27–Nov. 9	25	D
12	Blue and Gray CP[2]	Jackson	Oct. 27–Nov. 11	40	G
13	Blue and Gray CP[2]	Jackson	Dec. 8–23	40	G
14	Blue River Parkway Zone 1[1, 2] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Oct. 19*	Jackson	Oct. 27–Nov. 11	20	G
15	Blue River Parkway Zone 2[1, 2] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Oct. 19*	Jackson	Oct. 27–Nov. 11	25	G
16	Blue River Parkway Zone 3[1, 2] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Oct. 19*	Jackson	Oct. 27–Nov. 11	10	G
17	Blue River Parkway Zone 4[1, 2] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Oct. 19*	Jackson	Oct. 27–Nov. 11	10	G
18	Blue Springs Lake[1, 2] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Oct. 19*	Jackson	Oct. 27–Nov. 11	35	G
19	Blue Springs Lake[1, 2] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Nov. 30*	Jackson	Dec. 8–23	35	G
20	Burr Oak Woods CA[1] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Oct. 30*	Jackson	Oct. 31–Nov. 2	35	E
21	Fellows Lake[1] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Sept. 8*	Greene	Sept.15–Nov. 4	20	D

(Archery or Crossbow continued from Page 23)

Hunt No.	Location	County	Date	Quota	Limit
52	Weldon Spring CA[3]	St. Charles	Sept. 15–28	150	C
53	Weldon Spring CA[3]	St. Charles	Oct. 8–21	150	C
54	Weldon Spring CA[3]	St. Charles	Dec. 15–Jan. 15	300	C
55	Whetstone Creek CA	Callaway	Oct. 1–Nov. 4	75	B[4]
Muzzleloading or Cap-and-Ball Firearms Only *(22 hunts—in-lines and scopes are allowed)*					
56	Babler Memorial SP	St. Louis	Dec. 8–9	100	H
57	Burr Oak Woods CA[1] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Nov. 27*	Jackson	Nov. 28–30	20	E
58	Caney Mountain CA	Ozark	Oct. 13–15	250	B
59	Current River SP	Shannon	Dec. 15–19	18	B
60	Current River SP	Shannon	Dec. 21–25	18	B
61	Drury-Mincy CA	Taney	Oct. 20–22	250	B
62	Fleming Park (West)[1, 2] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Oct. 31*	Jackson	Oct. 31–Nov. 2	40	G
63	Fleming Park (East)[1, 2] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Nov. 28*	Jackson	Nov. 28–30	50	G
64	Fleming Park (West)[1, 2] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Dec. 5*	Jackson	Dec. 5–7	40	G
65	Forest 44 CA	St. Louis	Nov. 12–13	30	C
66	Forest 44 CA	St. Louis	Nov. 19–20	30	C
67	James A. Reed WA[1] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Nov. 6*	Jackson	Nov. 6–9	40	D[4]
68	James A. Reed WA[1] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Nov. 12*	Jackson	Nov. 12–16	40	D[4]
69	Mingo NWR[1] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation to be announced*	Stoddard	Dec. 1–2	150	C
70	Mingo NWR[1] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation to be announced*	Stoddard	Dec. 15–16	70	E
71	Monkey Mountain CP[1, 2] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Nov. 5*	Jackson	Nov. 5–7	25	G
72	Peck Ranch CA[1] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Nov. 30*	Carter/ Shannon	Dec. 1–2	200	B[4]
73	Rockwoods Reservation[1] *Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Nov. 3*	St. Louis	Nov. 26–27	30	D
74	Squaw Creek NWR	Holt	Jan. 5–6	85	E
75	Squaw Creek NWR	Holt	Jan. 5–6	15	C[4]

22 Jerry Smith Park/ Saeger Woods CA[1]	Jackson	Nov. 3–25	20	G
Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Oct. 27				
23 Lake Springfield[1]	Greene	Dec. 1–31	12	G
Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Nov. 17				
24 Landahl Park[1, 2]	Jackson	Nov. 24–Dec. 6	35	G
Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Nov. 16				
25 Longview Lake CP[2]	Jackson	Oct. 27–Nov. 11	60	G
26 Longview Lake CP[2]	Jackson	Dec. 8–23	60	G

Archery or Crossbow
(29 hunts—longbow, recurve bow, compound bow or crossbow only)

27 August A. Busch CA[3]	St. Charles	Sept. 15–28	150	C
28 August A. Busch CA[3]	St. Charles	Oct. 8–21	150	C
29 August A. Busch CA[3]	St. Charles	Dec. 15–31	300	C
30 Caney Mountain CA	Ozark	Dec. 8–9	100	B
31 Columbia Bottom CA[3]	St. Louis	Sept. 29–Oct. 14	40	F
32 Columbia Bottom CA[3]	St. Louis	Nov. 1–14	40	F
33 Columbia Bottom CA[3]	St. Louis	Dec. 1–14	40	F
34 Columbia Bottom CA[3]	St. Louis	Dec. 19–Jan 2	45	F
35 Forest 44 CA	St. Louis	Oct. 1–14	75	C
36 Forest 44 CA	St. Louis	Dec. 1–31	100	C
37 James A Reed WA[1, 3]	Jackson	Oct. 27–Nov. 4	50	D[4]
Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Oct. 27				
38 Marais Temps Clair CA	St. Charles	Sept. 15–25	20	C
39 Marais Temps Clair CA	St. Charles	Oct. 26–29 and Nov. 2–5	15	C
40 Marais Temps Clair CA	St. Charles	Jan. 1–15	20	C
41 Peck Ranch CA[1]	Carter/ Shannon	Nov. 2–4	200	B[4]
Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Nov. 1				
42 Klamberg (Roger) Woods CA[1]	St. Louis	Nov. 6–8	5	G
Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Nov. 5				
43 Klamberg (Roger) Woods CA[1]	St. Louis	Dec. 4–6	5	G
Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Dec. 3				
44 Powder Valley Conservation Nature Center[1]	St. Louis	Jan. 5–7	8	G
Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Dec. 4				
45 Rockwoods Range	St. Louis	Nov. 1–30	75	C
46 Rockwoods Range	St. Louis	Dec. 1–31	75	C
47 Otter Slough CA	Stoddard	Sept. 15–30	15	B
48 Otter Slough CA	Stoddard	Oct. 6–21	15	B
49 Otter Slough CA	Stoddard	Oct. 25–Nov. 9	15	B
50 Otter Slough CA	Stoddard	Nov. 24–Dec. 9	15	B
51 Otter Slough CA	Stoddard	Dec. 29–Jan. 15	15	B
76 Watkins Woolen Mill SP	Clay	Dec. 8–9	85	I
77 Whetstone Creek CA[1]	Callaway	Dec. 3–5	30	C[4]
Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Dec. 2 and 3				

Historic Methods
(2 hunts—muzzleloader, cap-and-ball, long/recurve/compound/crossbow only)

78 August A. Busch CA	St. Charles	Nov. 10–12	100	E
79 August A. Busch CA	St. Charles	Nov. 17–19	100	B

Shotguns *(3 hunts—with slugs only)*

80 Columbia Bottom CA	St. Louis	Nov. 19–25	30	E
81 Columbia Bottom CA	St. Louis	Jan. 5–11	40	D
82 Marais Temps Clair CA	St. Louis	Oct. 1–14	20	D

Firearms *(6 hunts—centerfire, shotguns with slugs, air-powered guns only)*

83 Clarence Cannon NWR[1]	Pike	Dec. 29–30	30	J[4]
Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Dec. 29				
84 Cuivre River SP	Lincoln	Dec. 8–9	150	H
85 Lamine River CA	Cooper/ Morgan	Oct. 19–21	50	I
86 Lamine River CA	Cooper/ Morgan	Jan. 11–13	75	I
87 Weldon Spring CA	St. Charles	Nov. 10–12	100	A
88 Weldon Spring CA	St. Charles	Nov. 17–19	100	B

Limit Code:
A = 1 antlerless deer
B = 1 deer of either sex
C = 2 deer, but only 1 antlered
D = 2 deer, but only 1 antlered; must take and check in antlerless deer before taking antlered deer
E = 2 antlerless deer
F = 3 deer, but only 1 antlered
G = 3 deer, but only 1 antlered; must take and check in 1 antlerless deer before taking antlered deer
H = 3 deer, but only 1 antlered; must take and check in 2 antlerless deer before taking antlered deer
I = 3 antlerless deer
J = 3 deer, but only 1 antlered which may not be harvested on the first day, also must take and check in 2 antlerless deer before taking antlered deer

[1]Hunters must attend a pre-hunt orientation; those who do not attend are disqualified.
[2]Participants must pay a $10 administrative fee to Jackson County.
[3]Hunters may take turkeys according to season limits on the Archer's Hunting Permit prior to filling the managed deer hunt quota.
[4]Antlered deer must have at least one antler with at least 4 points.

Managed Youth Deer Hunts

Note: Youth must be at least 11 years old and hunter-education certified to hunt in a managed youth deer hunt.

Hunt No.	Location	County	Date	Quota	Limit
Youth-only Shotguns *(1 hunt—with slugs only)*					
89	Columbia Bottom CA[1]	St. Louis	Oct. 27–28	30	C
	Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Oct. 13				
Youth-only Firearms *(11 hunts–centerfire, shotguns with slugs, air-powered guns only)*					
90	August A. Busch CA[1]	St. Charles	Oct. 27–28	60	B
	Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Oct. 13				
	Charles W. Green CA[1, 2]	Boone	Nov. 3–4	5	B
91	Current River SP[1]	Shannon	Nov. 10–14	10	B
	Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Nov. 9				
92	Current River SP[1]	Shannon	Nov. 16–20	10	B
	Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Nov. 15				
93	Davisdale CA[1]	Howard	Oct. 21–22	35	G
	Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Oct. 19 or 20				
94	Mingo NWR[1]	Stoddard	Oct. 27–28	50	B
	Mandatory pre-hunt orientation to be announced				
95	Peck Ranch CA[1]	Carter/Shannon	Oct. 13–14	60	B
	Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Oct. 12				
96	Smithville Lake[1]	Clay	Dec. 8–9	30	C
	Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Dec. 1				
97	Swan Lake NWR (East)[1]	Chariton	Dec. 8–9	15	A
98	Swan Lake NWR (West)[1]	Chariton	Dec. 8–9	15	A
99	Weldon Spring CA[1]	St. Charles	Oct. 27–28	60	B
	Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Oct. 13				

Limit Code:
A = 1 antlerless deer
B = 1 deer of either sex
C = 2 deer, but only 1 antlered
G = 3 deer, but only 1 antlered; must take and check in 1 antlerless deer before taking antlered deer

Note: Most conservation areas remain open to the public for other activities during managed hunts.

[1]Hunters must attend a pre-hunt orientation; those who do not attend are disqualified.
[2]Participants for this hunt have already been selected from among attendees of MDC's Hunting Skills University. For more information, call 573-815-7901, ext. 3388.

Special Hunts for People with Disabilities

There are 10 special hunts exclusively for people with disabilities. Application for these hunts is made through the hunt location, NOT through the "regular" managed deer hunt application process. For information about who qualifies and how to apply, call the specific hunt location during normal business hours between July 1 and Aug. 15, or by Oct. 1 for the hunt at Smithville Lake.

Location	County	Date	Quota	Limit	Contact
Muzzleloading or Cap-and-Ball Firearms Only *(3 hunts—in-lines and scopes are allowed)*					
Clearwater Lake ML	Wayne/Reynolds	Nov. 3–4	3	B	573-223-7777
Clearwater Lake ML—Wounded Warriors	Wayne/Reynolds	Dec. 8–9	3	B	573-223-7777
Squaw Creek NWR	Holt	Dec. 8–9	8	C[1]	660-442-5754
Historic Methods *(1 hunt—muzzleloader, cap-and-ball, long/recurve/compound/crossbow only)*					
Bois D'Arc CA[2]	Greene	Oct. 6–7	12	C	417-742-4361
Firearms *(6 hunts—centerfire, shotguns with slugs, air-powered guns only)*					
Clarence Cannon NWR	Pike	Oct. 20–21	10	C	573-847-2333
Mandatory pre-hunt orientation Oct. 20					
Smithville Lake	Clay/Clinton	Nov. 17–18	63	F	816-389-3947
Stockton Lake ML	Cedar/Dade	Nov. 3–4	20	C	417-276-3113
Swan Lake NWR	Chariton	Dec. 1–2	10	B	660-856-3323
Truman Lake	Benton/St. Clair	Nov. 3–4	25	F	660-438-7317
Wappapello Lake ML	Wayne	Oct. 20–21	25	B	573-222-8562

Limit Code:
B = 1 deer of either sex
C = 2 deer, but only 1 antlered
F = 3 deer, but only 1 antlered

Note: Most conservation areas remain open to the public for other activities during managed hunts.

[1]Antlered deer must have at least one antler with at least 4 points.
[2]Hunters must attend a pre-hunt orientation; those who do not attend are disqualified.

Weighted random drawing increases odds for future managed hunts

Each time you apply for a managed deer hunt but are not drawn you earn one preference point. The next time you apply, either this year or some year in the future, your name will be entered into the drawing—once for the current application year and once for each preference point. If you're not drawn again, you'll earn another preference point and all your points will automatically be used the next time you apply.

You will continue to accumulate preference points—one for each unsuccessful application year—until you are drawn. Every year you apply for a managed deer hunt the number of times your name will be entered into the drawing will equal your number of preference points plus one for the current application year. When you are drawn for a hunt, your preference points total goes to zero.

You do not have to apply for a managed deer hunt every year to keep your points. Your points are valid for your lifetime whether you enter the drawing each year or not, and the system will remember how many points you have and will store them until the next time you apply.

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While your odds of being drawn will increase as you accumulate preference points, luck still plays an important role. It's possible that someone with no points will be drawn over someone who has preference points. However, your odds of being drawn increase with each point you earn.

This drawing process gives all hunters a chance to be drawn for a hunt each year. However, hunters with preference points will have a statistical advantage. In the case of hunters who apply as a party, the group's preference point average will be used in the drawing.

Important: don't lose points

Some hunters may have more than one Conservation I.D. number. Preference points will be stored by Conservation I.D. number, so be sure you use the same number each year you apply. When applying, print your confirmation page and save it for future reference.

Need a map?

For Conservation Department land:

- Missouri Department of Conservation
  P.O. Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0180
  573-751-4115
  mdc.mo.gov/atlas
- Conservation areas through Google Earth's satellite images and maps
  mdc.mo.gov/11017

For topographic maps:
U.S. Geological Survey
888-275-8747; **store.usgs.gov**

For U.S. Forest Service land:
Mark Twain National Forest, U.S. Forest Service
401 Fairgrounds Road, Rolla, MO 65401
573-364-4621
www.fs.usda.gov/mtnf

For federal lakes and associated lands:
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
corpslakes.usace.army.mil/visitors/visitors.cfm

For aerial photographs:
Your county Farm Service Agency office or
www.fsa.usda.gov

Permits

Anyone who hunts, takes or attempts to take wildlife in any way must have the prescribed permit(s). Each hunter must sign, carry and show, upon request, his or her permit to any officer who enforces the *Wildlife Code of Missouri*.

Points to remember

- You must have your signed permit in hand when you go afield to hunt.
- Permits cannot be exchanged or refunded.
- Permits may be used in any order, and multiple permits may be filled on the same day.
- Residents do not have to purchase a Firearms Any-Deer Hunting Permit or Archer's Hunting Permit before purchasing Antlerless Deer Hunting Permits.
- Before purchasing antlerless deer hunting permits, nonresidents must first purchase a Nonresident Firearms Any-Deer Hunting Permit or a Nonresident Archer's Hunting Permit, depending on the type of antlerless permit they want to use.
- You do not have to purchase your any-deer and antlerless deer permits at the same time.

Permits for youth

Youth age 6 through 15, whether they are hunter-education certified or not, can purchase resident or nonresident deer and turkey hunting permits at reduced prices. See pages 28–29.

If the youth is hunter-education certified and hunting on a resident or nonresident firearms deer or turkey hunting permit, he or she may hunt alone. However, if the youth is not hunter-education certified, he or she must hunt in the immediate presence of a properly licensed adult hunter who has in his or her possession a valid hunter-education certification card or was born before Jan. 1, 1967. The adult, however, may not hunt deer during the youth portions of the firearms deer season.

- "Immediate presence" means close enough for normal conversation, without shouting.
- "Properly licensed" means a valid firearms hunting permit for the appropriate season (i.e., either a filled or unfilled Firearms Deer or a Fall Firearms Turkey Hunting Permit).
- "Adult" means someone age 18 or older.

In addition, adults accompanying youths hunting deer must wear hunter orange. Regardless of age, the youth must be capable of holding, aiming and shooting the firearm by him or herself.

Who may purchase resident deer and turkey permits?

- Any person who does not claim resident privileges in another state or country, and whose actual residence and legal permanent home address are both in Missouri, and have been for at least 30 days before applying for the permit. Owning real estate or attending a Missouri school does not in itself make you a legal resident.
- Missouri residents employed by the United States in the District of Columbia or serving in the U.S. armed forces. (Immediate family members who reside with them also may purchase resident permits.)
- All members of the U.S. armed forces residing in Missouri on permanent change of station status and immediate family members residing with them.
- Any honorably discharged military veteran having a service-related disability of 60 percent or greater, or who was a prisoner of war during military service; must carry certified statement of eligibility from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs while hunting or purchasing permits.
- **New!** Any member of the U.S. military currently assigned as a patient to a Warrior Transition Brigade, Warrior Transition Unit or a military medical center; must carry orders showing assignment to a Warrior Transition Brigade or Warrior Transition Unit, or admissions verification to a military medical center while hunting or purchasing permits.
- Nonresidents who are registered students attending a public or private secondary, post secondary, or vocational school in Missouri and who live in Missouri while attending school; must carry evidence of a Missouri residence and student status while hunting. **Note:** Nonresident students who qualify for resident permits must purchase them at Conservation Department offices.
- Immigrants who possess an I-551 Resident Alien Card and who do not claim resident privileges in another state or country, and whose actual residence and legal permanent home address are both in Missouri, and have been for at least 30 days before purchasing a permit.

Purchasing permits

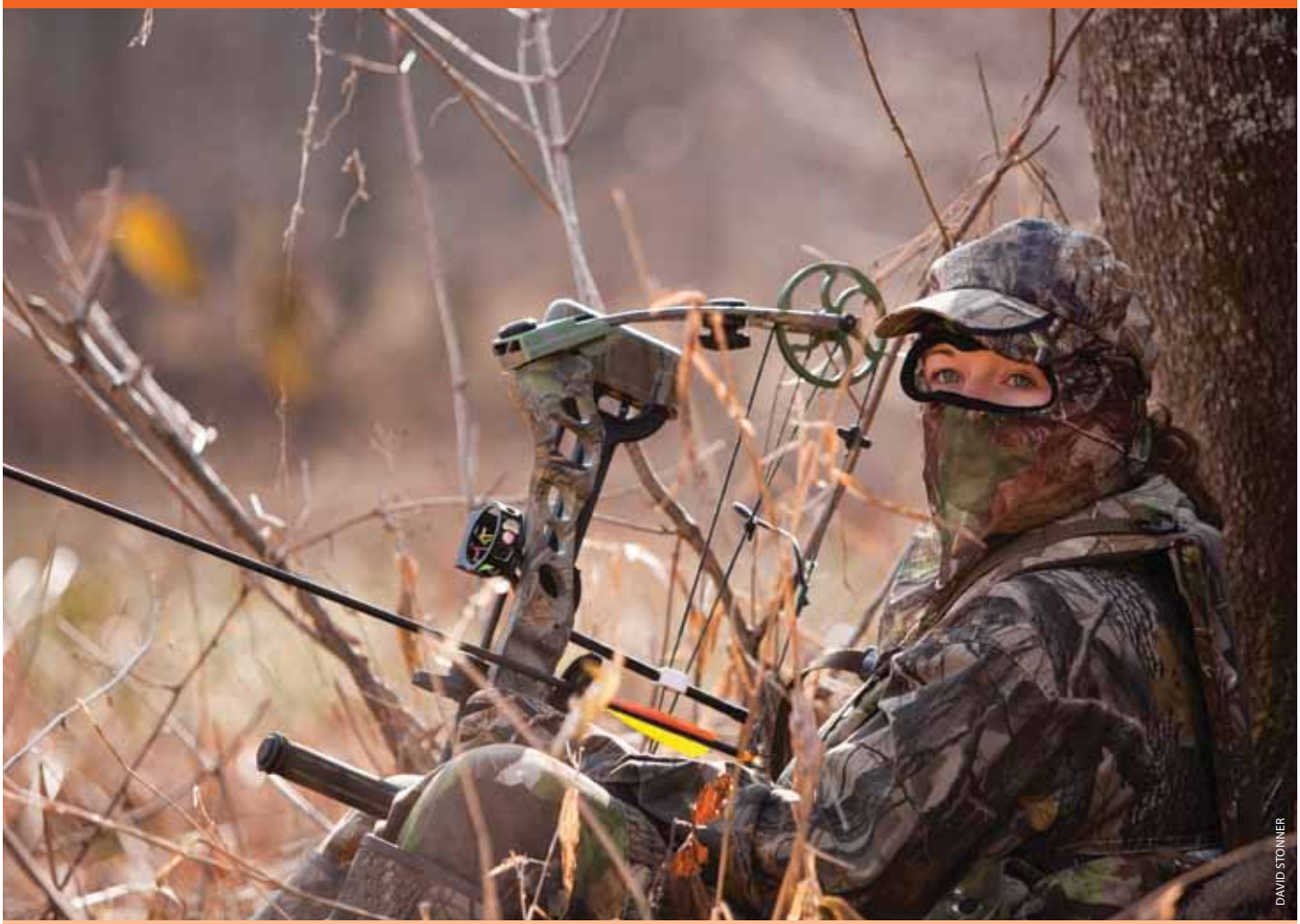
You may purchase your fall deer and turkey hunting permits beginning July 1 using any of the methods below.

- Over the counter from any permit vendor
- By telephone at 800-392-4115. Use your credit card, and pay a $2 surcharge. Allow 10 days for delivery.
- Online anytime using the e-Permits System at **mdc.mo.gov/epermits**. Use your credit card, and pay a $1 surcharge. Print your permit at home and have it in hand immediately.

Note: No-cost resident landowner permits also are available. See Page 30 for details.

Replacing permits: Lost or damaged permits can be replaced using any of the methods above. A replacement permit costs $2 plus any applicable surcharge. E-Permits can be saved on a personal computer and reprinted for free if the original permit is lost or damaged. As with other permits, e-Permits may not be shared, and additional copies of an e-Permit do not provide additional valid permits to use.

e-Permits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The Conservation Department's e-Permits System lets you buy hunting permits online, print them at home, and have them in hand immediately. You can even reprint lost or damaged permits for free. If you're not comfortable buying online, you can still purchase permits by phone, at any MDC office or from your usual vendor.

Learn more about e-Permits at mdc.mo.gov/epermits.

- E-permits are designed to be printed at home on regular paper. To prevent the paper from becoming unreadable, hunters are encouraged to keep e-Permits in a plastic sandwich bag while afield. This also will make it easier for hunters to write confirmation numbers on permits when Telechecking their deer or turkeys.
- Deer and turkey permits no longer include a removable transportation tag. Instead, the permit itself is the transportation tag.
- Each deer and turkey permit will have months printed along one edge and dates along another. Immediately after harvest, hunters must notch the month and day they bagged their game, then attach the permit to the animal.
- E-Permits are not printed on adhesive-backed material, so hunters will need to provide a way to attach the permits to their game. Hunters are encouraged to put e-Permits inside plastic sandwich bags and attach the bags to their deer or turkeys with string, twist-ties, wire, plastic cable ties or tape.
- Traditional vendors will continue to print deer and turkey permits on yellow permit stock, but without the adhesive transportation tag.
- Turkey hunters must still mark their guns with "Be Safe" stickers, which are available at permit vendors and Conservation Department offices.
- Deer and turkey hunters must still check their game by 10 p.m. on the day of harvest using Telecheck.

Firearms antlerless permits

How many firearms antlerless permits can you use?

The number you can fill depends on the counties in which you hunt. See map below.

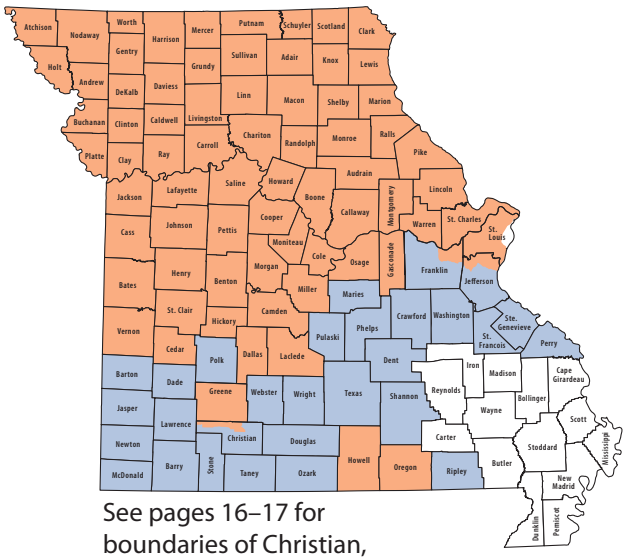
When can these permits be used?

They can be used during all portions of the firearms deer season, except in areas that are closed during the urban zones (refer to pages 16–17) and antlerless portions (refer to Page 18).

Any number of firearms antlerless deer hunting permits may be filled. Resident landowners and lessees with at least 75 acres may receive two no-cost Landowner Antlerless Deer Hunting Permits and can also fill any number of purchased antlerless permits.

One firearms antlerless deer hunting permit may be filled in these counties. Resident landowners and lessees with at least 75 acres may receive and fill one no-cost Landowner Antlerless Deer Hunting Permit and can also fill one purchased antlerless permit.

Antlerless deer may only be taken on an any-deer permit. No firearms antlerless deer hunting permits may be filled except qualifying landowners may receive one no-cost antlerless permit, which they must fill on their land.



See pages 16–17 for boundaries of Christian, Franklin and Jefferson counties.

Resident and nonresident deer harvests

Some Missouri deer hunters have the mistaken notion that out-of-state deer hunters outnumber resident deer hunters. In reality, nonresident hunters are a small minority.

For example, last year 927,465 firearms deer hunting permits were issued. Of those, 899,020, or 97 percent, were purchased by Missouri residents.

What about deer harvest? Of the 236,973 deer taken during the firearms deer season, 225,404, or 95 percent, were taken by resident hunters. The same is true for the archery season; 93 percent of the deer taken last year were taken by Missouri residents.

We should remember that many nonresident hunters are former residents who return to Missouri to hunt with family and friends. We welcome all responsible and ethical hunters.

Resident permits

Resident Firearms Any-Deer Hunting Permit
For one antlered or antlerless deer statewide during the firearms deer hunting season. See restrictions on pages 16–18.
Age 16 and older *$17*
Age 6–15[1] *$8.50*

Resident Firearms Antlerless Deer Hunting Permit[2] $7
For one antlerless deer during the firearms deer hunting season in selected areas. See map to the left.
Age 16 and older *$7*
Age 6–15[1] *$3.50*

Resident Managed Deer Hunting Permit[3]
For deer during a prescribed managed hunt. Valid for the number of deer allowed.
Age 16 and older *$17*
Age 11–15[4] *$8.50*

Resident Archer's Hunting Permit
For two deer and two turkeys during the archery deer and turkey hunting season, for small game during prescribed seasons and to sell furbearers taken by archery methods
Age 16 and older *$19*
Age 6–15 ..... *$9.50*

Resident Archery Antlerless Deer Hunting Permit[2]
For one antlerless deer during archery deer hunting season in selected counties. See map on Page 13.
Age 16 and older *$7*
Age 6–15 ..... *$3.50*

Resident Fall Firearms Turkey Hunting Permit[1]
For two turkeys during the fall firearms season
Age 16 and older *$13*
Age 6–15[1] *$6.50*

Nonresident permits[5]

Nonresident Firearms Any-Deer Hunting Permit
For one antlered or antlerless deer statewide during the firearms deer hunting season. See restrictions on pages 16–18.
Age 16 and older *$225*
Age 6–15[1] *$8.50*

Nonresident Firearms Antlerless Deer Hunting Permit[2]
For one antlerless deer during the firearms deer hunting season in selected areas. A Nonresident Firearms Any-Deer Hunting Permit or a Nonresident Managed Deer Hunting Permit is required as a prerequisite to this permit. See map on Page 28.
Age 16 and older *$25*
Age 6–15[1] *$3.50*

Nonresident Managed Deer Hunting Permit[3]
For deer during a prescribed managed hunt. Valid for the number of deer allowed.
Age 16 and older *$225*
Age 11–15[4] *$8.50*

Nonresident Archer's Hunting Permit
For two deer and two turkeys during the archery deer and turkey hunting season, and for small game, except furbearers, during prescribed seasons
Age 16 and older *$225*
Age 6–15 ..... *$9.50*

Nonresident Archery Antlerless Deer Hunting Permit[2]
For one antlerless deer during archery deer hunting season in selected counties. A Nonresident Archer's Hunting Permit is required as a prerequisite to this permit. See map on Page 13.
Age 16 and older *$25*
Age 6–15 ..... *$3.50*

Nonresident Fall Firearms Turkey Hunting Permit
For two turkeys during the fall firearms turkey hunting season
Age 16 and older *$110*
Age 6–15[1] *$6.50*

[1] If not hunter-education certified, a youth hunting on a firearms permit must be in the immediate presence of a properly licensed adult age 18 or older who is hunter-education certified or exempt by age. See Page 26.

[2] May be purchased in any number

[3] Application required; participation awarded through drawing

[4] Must be hunter-education certified to participate in a muzzleloading, historic methods, shotgun or firearms managed hunt

[5] All nonresidents must purchase nonresident permits to hunt deer or turkeys in Missouri, except for qualifying students, disabled veterans, and military members assigned as a patient to a Warrior Transition Brigade/Unit or military medical center. See Page 26.

Obtain permission before entering private land. Your hunting permit does not authorize trespass.

Resident Landowner Permits

All deer and turkey hunters, including landowners and lessees, must have valid deer and/or turkey hunting permits. Resident landowners and lessees who meet the requirements listed to the right may obtain no-cost resident landowner permits from July 1 through Jan. 15 using any of the methods below. **Note:** Landowners may be required to submit verification upon request if landownership cannot be verified through county plat books.

- Over the counter from any permit vendor. Go early to avoid long lines. No surcharges will be assessed.
- By telephone at 800-392-4115. Use your credit card to pay the $2 surcharge. Allow 10 days for delivery.
- Online using the e-Permits System at **mdc.mo.gov/epermits**. Use your credit card to pay the $1 surcharge. Print your permit at home and have it in hand immediately.

Please have on hand the following information:

- Your Conservation I.D. number, Heritage Card number, Social Security number or driver's license number
- The county or counties where your land is located
- The number of acres you own or lease and reside on

Note: All landowner permits are valid only on qualifying property. Hunters must be at least 6 years old to obtain landowner permits. Hunter-education certification is not required to obtain landowner permits.

Qualifications for landowner permits

- Any Missouri resident who owns at least 5 continuous acres, and his or her immediate household members age 6 or older
- Any Missouri resident who leases and lives on at least 5 continuous acres owned by others, and his or her immediate household members age 6 or older. **Note:** Participation in a hunting lease alone does not qualify an individual for landowner permits.
- Any Missouri resident who is a general partner of a partnership, an officer of a resident or foreign corporation, an officer or managing member of a resident limited liability company, or an officer of a benevolent association organized pursuant to Chapter 352 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri when the before mentioned organization owns at least 5 continuous acres. In the case of corporate ownerships, all registered officers of a corporation can qualify, and they are not required to reside on the land. People who own stock in a corporation (shareholders) do not qualify.

Note: Immediate household member is anyone, related or unrelated, whose legal residence is the same as the qualifying landowner or lessee for at least the last 30 days. Family members whose legal residence is elsewhere do not qualify.

Mentoring option available for apprentice hunters

To help introduce adults to hunting, the Conservation Department allows hunters age 16 and older who are not hunter-education certified to hunt with firearms, as long as they:

- First purchase the Apprentice Hunter Authorization for $10;
- Then purchase a firearms hunting permit for the season they want to hunt, for example a Firearms Any-Deer Hunting Permit; and
- Hunt in the immediate presence of a properly licensed hunter 18 years old or older who is hunter-education certified or was born before Jan. 1, 1967. The mentor must have a filled or unfilled permit for the prescribed season.

Note: The Apprentice Hunter Authorization allows the holder to purchase firearms permits throughout the permit year, and it can be purchased for two permit years. After the second year, the apprentice hunter will be required to become hunter-education certified if he or she wants to continue hunting on any firearms permit.

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Missouri is a leader in hunter recruitment, and the Apprentice Hunter Authorization is just one more tool to help you share your hunting knowledge and tradition with your friends and family. Before next year's fall deer and turkey season, encourage your apprentices to attend a hunter-education class or take the online course. Information is available at **mdc.mo.gov/8821**.

Qualifying resident landowners and lessees who have at least 5 acres, and all members of their immediate household age 6 or older, may each receive:

- One Landowner Fall Firearms Turkey Hunting Permit
- One Landowner Firearms Any-Deer Hunting Permit
- One Landowner Archer's Hunting Permit
- Two Landowner Archery Antlerless Deer Hunting Permits, depending upon county availability (see Page 13)

Qualifying resident landowners and lessees who have 75 or more acres located in a single county or at least 75 continuous acres bisected by a county boundary, and all members of their immediate household age 6 or older, may each receive:

- All of the landowner permits listed above
- Up to two Resident Landowner Firearms Antlerless Deer Hunting Permits, depending on county availability (see Page 28)

Qualifying resident landowners and lessees:

- Must abide by season dates, methods, limits and tagging/checking requirements.
- Must use landowner permits only on their qualifying property. To hunt on other land, landowners and lessees must purchase regular permits.
- May use their landowner permits to take deer on their land during all portions of the firearms season including the urban zones and antlerless portions (if their property is located in one of the open areas).
- With 75 or more acres in more than one county may not harvest more deer on *landowner antlerless permits* than can be taken by regular permittees in the county where hunting except in certain areas (see Page 28).
- May fill a Landowner Any-Deer Permit and a purchased any-deer permit. **However, each hunter may only take one antlered deer during the firearms deer hunting season.** Therefore, landowners and lessees who take an antlered deer on one Any-Deer Permit must take an antlerless deer on the other Any-Deer Permit. **Note:** Deer taken on a Managed Deer Hunting Permit or in accordance with the archery deer hunting season do not count toward this one-antlered–deer limit.
- May fill their no-cost Landowner Antlerless Permits and also purchase and fill any number of additional antlerless permits where valid. **Note:** Resident landowners and lessees may also purchase and use permits in addition to the no-cost permits. However, only one antlered deer may be taken during the firearms season and a maximum of two antlered deer may be taken during the archery season. See Page 13.

Attention landowners who are not hunter-education certified

Qualifying landowners and lessees hunting on their own land do not need to be hunter-education certified; however, when mentoring a firearms hunter who is not hunter-education certified and not hunting on a landowner permit, all mentors, including landowners and lessees hunting on their own land, must be at least 18 years old and hunter-education certified unless they were born before Jan. 1, 1967. If you need to become certified, check out the online course at **mdc.mo.gov/17844**, or call a Department office near you to sign up for a course.

Resident landowner permits

All landowner permits are valid only on qualifying property. Hunters must be at least 6 years old to obtain landowner permits. Hunter-education certification is not required to obtain landowner permits.

Resident Landowner Fall Firearms
Turkey Hunting Permit . . . . . no-cost
For two turkeys during the fall firearms turkey hunting season.

Resident Landowner Firearms
Any-Deer Hunting Permit . . . . . no-cost
For one deer (of either sex) during the firearms deer hunting season.

Resident Landowner Firearms
Antlerless Deer Hunting Permit . . . . . no-cost
For one antlerless deer during the firearms deer hunting season in selected counties. See map on Page 28.

Resident Landowner Archer's Hunting Permit . . . . . no-cost
For two deer and two turkeys during the archery deer and turkey hunting season, and for small game during prescribed seasons and to sell furbearers taken by hunting.

Resident Landowner Archery
Antlerless Deer Hunting Permit . . . . . no-cost
For one antlerless deer during archery deer hunting season in selected counties. See map on Page 13.

Use landowner permits wisely

- ▶ To keep costs down and to help provide more funding for habitat and wildlife management, ask the permit vendor for only the landowner permits that you plan to use.
- ▶ It is illegal to allow other hunters to check deer and turkeys on your landowner permits.

Tagging and Checking

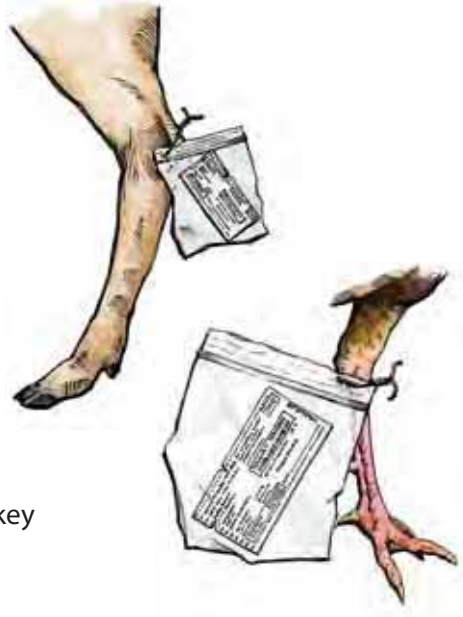
Using deer and turkey hunting permits couldn't be easier. Just remember: Bag it. Notch it. Tag it. Check it.

STEP 1

Bag it. Protect paper e-Permits in a plastic sandwich bag while afield.

STEP 3

Tag it. Attach the notched permit to the deer or turkey's leg. We recommend sealing the permit in a plastic sandwich bag and attaching the bag to the animal's leg with string, twist-ties, wire or tape. You may now legally transport your deer or turkey within Missouri.



STEP 2

Notch it. Immediately after harvesting a deer or turkey, notch the month and date of harvest on your permit.

STEP 4

Check it. Report your deer or turkey by 10 p.m. on the day of harvest using the Telecheck instructions on Page 34. Write the confirmation number provided by Telecheck on your permit. You may now process your deer or turkey, or transport it out of state.

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Things to remember when tagging and checking

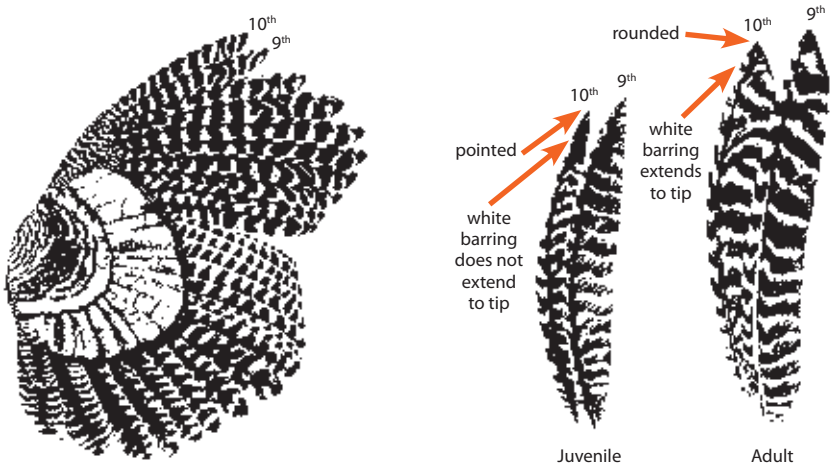
- Use the correct permit. Because many hunters carry multiple permits while deer and turkey hunting, check your permit carefully to make sure you're using the right one before notching it and attaching it to your game.
- Notching voids the permit. Do not notch the month and day on your permit until you harvest a deer or turkey.
- Until checked, heads of deer must remain attached, and turkeys must have their heads and plumage intact.
- Deer and turkeys must be checked by 10 p.m. on the day they are harvested.
- All deer and turkeys must be checked before they can be removed from Missouri.
- Only the person who harvested the deer or turkey may possess and transport the game before it has been checked.
- After checking, deer and turkeys may be possessed and transported by anyone, but must be labeled with the taker's full name, address, Telecheck confirmation number and the date taken.
- Avoid duplicate Telecheck records. If you are given an eight-digit Telecheck confirmation number, your checking information has been successfully received and recorded. Write the confirmation number on the permit, and the checking process is complete. Do not call again to check the same deer or turkey.

Information needed to Telecheck turkeys

Turkeys must be checked by telephone or Internet. See Page 34. During checking, hunters will be asked the age and sex of their turkey. Monitoring the age and sex of harvested turkeys provides a valuable measure of the fall harvest.

How to age a turkey

To age a turkey, look at the two outermost feathers on the wing (see below). The ends of the 9th and 10th primary feathers of a juvenile are pointed, and the tips of the feathers lack white barring. The ends of the 9th and 10th primary feathers of an adult are rounded and have white barring extending to the tips.



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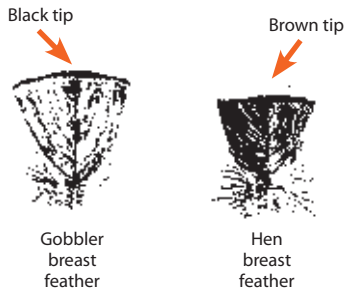
How to determine the sex of a turkey

Look at the lower half of the breast. Hens have brown-tipped breast feathers. Gobblers have black-tipped breast feathers.



Telecheck

All deer and turkeys must be checked by telephone or on the Internet. If using a cellphone, be sure you have a clear signal. If the signal is spotty, move closer to a major highway, go to higher ground, or wait until you get to a land-based line to call. Avoid calling in areas with loud background noise.

You do not need to call Telecheck immediately after taking the game. You can transport unchecked game within the state, as long as the notched permit is attached to the leg. **You have until 10 p.m. on the day taken to check your deer or turkey.**

Follow the steps below to use Telecheck.

Step 1: Before calling the toll-free number or going online, find your Telecheck ID number on your permit. **If you have more than one permit, be sure you give the number of the permit you want to use.** Also get a pen so you will be able to write your Telecheck confirmation number on your permit.

Step 2: Fill out the form to the right, which contains the same information you will be asked when you use Telecheck.

Step 3: Use a phone to dial the toll-free number below, then follow the instructions in the phone interview. Speak clearly and slowly. You can call between 6 a.m. and 10 p.m.

To check a deer or turkey, call

1-800-314-6828.

Or go to:
mdc.mo.gov

Step 4: After you have provided the required information, you will be given an eight-digit confirmation number that verifies you have legally checked your game. **Write this number on the permit.**

You have now completed checking your game and can process your deer or turkey.

If checking a turkey, you will need:

▶ Your Telecheck ID number:

_____

▶ Turkey type (To age and sex turkeys, see Page 33):

☐ adult gobbler
☐ adult hen
☐ juvenile gobbler
☐ juvenile hen

▶ County where turkey was taken:

_____

If checking a deer, you will need:

▶ Your Telecheck ID number: _____

▶ Deer type:

☐ doe
☐ button buck
☐ antlered buck

Record the harvest of a buck as 0 points if the buck has one of the following:

▶ Shed its antlers
▶ Small antlers with both beams shorter than 3 inches
▶ Broken antlers off less than 3 inches from their base

____ total number of points 1 inch or longer (see how to count points on Page 10)

▶ County where deer was taken:

_____

Note: If you harvested deer in Boone, Cass, Christian, Cole, Franklin, Jefferson or Platte counties, you will be asked: Did you harvest a deer within an urban zone? (See Page 16).

Attention cellphone users

The most common reason hunters are unable to complete their Telecheck transaction is because of a poor cellular telephone connection. Signals that are weak, fade in and out, or clip speech will not work with the system. Once you've voided and attached your permit to your deer or turkey, you have until 10 p.m. on the day of harvest to check the animal. Wait until you are out of the woods and receive a clear, strong cellphone connection before placing your Telecheck call.

Hunter ethics and safety

According to the National Safety Council, hunting is a safe activity. In fact, hunting results in fewer injuries per 100,000 participants than do many other sports, including cycling, bowling, golf and tennis. However, as with any activity, you must always use good judgment and take responsibility for your actions. Deer and turkey hunters should follow safe, ethical hunting practices.

- Be sure of your target and beyond before you shoot.
- Make sure your equipment is in good working condition and your firearm is properly sighted in.
- If you hunt from a tree stand, always wear a safety harness. Serious accidents occur annually when hunters fall from tree stands.
- If you hunt on private land, be sure to obtain permission from the landowner and respect his or her property as if it were your own. Scout the area you plan to hunt so you know where the boundaries, houses, roads, fences and livestock are located on the property.
- If you do not kill your deer or turkey instantly, make every effort to find the wounded animal. Permission is required to enter private land.
- Clean and care for your game properly.
- Pick up all litter including spent ammunition. Leaving an area better than the way you found it is a sign of thanks for the privilege of hunting.
- Report observed violations of the law to a conservation agent or local sheriff as soon as possible.
- If you are involved in a firearms-related accident, the law requires that you identify yourself and render assistance; failure to do so is a Class A misdemeanor.
- Develop your skills and knowledge, and share them with others.
- Know and obey all wildlife laws.
- Know and follow the rules of gun safety.
- Respect the rights of hunters, nonhunters and landowners.
- Make every effort to retrieve and use all game.
- Respect the land and all wildlife.
- Be sensitive to others when displaying harvested game.
- Remember: Hunting is not a competitive sport.

Help catch wildlife violators

Each year, conservation agents spend time tracking down poachers who disregard regulations protecting wildlife. Here are some of the illegal activities that agents dealt with last year:

- Hunting from the road
- Disposing of carcasses and other body parts in streams, rivers, ponds and lakes
- Harvesting a deer or turkey and putting someone else's permit on it
- Using a spotlight to harvest deer or turkeys

If you see someone involved in these or any illegal activities, call **Operation Game Thief toll free 1-800-392-1111.** Program the number into your cellphone so you can act fast.

OPERATION GAME THIEF

Remain Anonymous

Reward Possible

Dial toll free

1-800-392-1111

Rewards are available for information leading to the arrest of game-law violators. Information can be provided anonymously by dialing the toll-free hotline number. All information is kept in strict confidence.

If you see a possible poaching violation in progress, immediately call your conservation agent, sheriff or the toll-free hotline number. Help put game thieves out of business.

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Share the Harvest

Share the Harvest provides a way for deer hunters to donate venison to the needy. This program is administered by the Conservation Federation of Missouri and the Missouri Department of Conservation. During the 2011 deer seasons, 6,191 hunters donated 317,882 pounds of venison.

Donating is easy. Hunters who want to participate simply take their deer to an approved meat processor (listed below) and let the processor know how much venison they wish to donate. The processor will package the meat, which will be picked up by the local sponsoring organization and taken to a participating charitable agency for distribution.

The cost of processing the deer is the responsibility of the hunter. There are, however, funds available to help with processing costs when a whole deer is donated. During only the urban zones portion (see pages 16–17) the entire processing costs for whole deer donations is paid by the Conservation Federation of Missouri and local sponsors. **To have processing costs covered, you must take your deer to a participating processor. Not every processor listed**

County	Company Name	City	Work Phone
Adair	Nunan Meat Market	Kirksville	660-956-9428
	Terry Morgan	Greentop	660-626-6517
Audrain	Mexico Meat Market, LLC	Mexico	573-581-1333
Barry	Gone Processing	Crane	417-357-8321
Benton	Jackman's Meat Processing	Warsaw	417-998-6488
Bollinger	Elderland Meats	Zalma	573-722-3622
Boone	Crane's Meat Processing	Ashland	573-657-2501
	Tune's Locker Plant	Centralia	573-682-2517
	Wolf Deer Processing	Centralia	573-682-1507
Buchanan	Clark's Custom Meat Co.	St. Joseph	816-364-3728
Callaway	Hanson Hills Campground	Kingdom City	573-642-8600
	Hartman's Custom Meat Processing	New Bloomfield	573-491-3603
	Horn's Meat Processing	Fulton	573-642-1035
	R & R Processing	Auxvasse	573-386-2273
Camden	Larry's Meat Market	Sunrise Beach	573-374-8350
	The Butcher Shop	Camdenton	573-346-6665
	Tom's Slaughter & Meat Processing	Montreal	573-346-5233
Cape Girardeau	Reis Meat Processing	Pocahontas	573-833-6281
Carroll	Carroll County Locker	Carrollton	660-542-0469
	Hale Locker Plant	Hale	660-565-2415
Carter	Ozark Meats	Grandin	573-593-4199
Cass	Peculiar Meats	Peculiar	816-779-6328
Cedar	R, S, & C Processing	El Dorado Springs	417-876-2077
Chariton	Salisbury Meat Market & Processing	Salisbury	660-388-5816
Christian	Oldfield Packing LLC	Oldfield	417-634-3943
	Ozark Mt. Meats	Ozark	417-581-2449
Clark	Kahoka Meat Processing	Kahoka	660-727-3433
Clinton	John's Country Meat Market	Cameron	816-632-7666
	Paradise Meat Locker Plant	Trimble	816-370-6328
Cole	Russellville Locker	Russellville	573-782-4613
Crawford	Davis Meat Service	Steelville	573-775-2531
	Heintz Processing	Cuba	573-732-9938
Dade	Lockwood Packing Co.	Lockwood	417-232-4401
Dallas	Hoerman's Meat Co.	Fair Grove	417-759-2027
	Shrock's Country Butchering	Buffalo	417-345-4342
Daviess	Stoney Ridge Custom Processing	Jamesport	660-684-6850
Dent	Salem Butcher Shop	Salem	573-729-7278
Douglas	Oldfield Packing LLC	Oldfield	417-634-3943
Franklin	Beaufort Meat Processing	Leslie	573-484-3312
	Ed's Meat Market	Washington	636-239-6640
	Williams Bros. Meat Processing	Washington	636-239-2183
	Zerna's Meat Co.	Labadie	636-742-4190
Gasconade	Heberle's Packing Company	Hermann	573-486-2795
	Swiss Meat & Sausage	Hermann	573-486-2086
Gentry	Edson's Meat Processing	Stanberry	660-783-2121
Greene	J & L Custom Processing	Walnut Grove	417-788-2200
	Turner Meat Processing	Fair Grove	417-759-2032
Grundy	J & M Deer Processing	Jamesport	660-684-6897
Harrison	Thomas Quality Meats	Ridgeway	660-872-6716
Henry	Hetherington Meat Processor	Clinton	660-885-4409
Hickory	Hays Processing	Quincy	417-282-5853
Holt	Dungan's B & B Meats	Oregon	660-446-2538
Howard	Jack Carter	Fayette	660-248-1738
	KP Processing	Harrisburg	573-881-2690
Howell	Barnett Meat Processing	West Plains	417-256-3261
	West Plains Processing	West Plains	417-256-4575
Jackson	The Store	Raytown	816-356-8900
Jasper	Cloud's Meat Processing & Smoking	Carthage	417-358-5855
	Taylor's Processing	Webb City	417-673-1717
Jefferson	Dittmer Meat Packing Inc.	Dittmer	636-285-9090
	John's Butcher Shoppe Inc.	Festus	636-931-7776
Johnson	Alewel's Country Meats	Warrensburg	660-747-8261
	Gilbert Meat Locker	Holden	816-732-6431

in the table below participates in this aspect of Share the Harvest. Call your regional Department office for a list of participating processors. During all other portions and seasons, the Conservation Federation of Missouri administers a state-wide program that directly reimburses the processor a pre-determined amount for each whole deer donated. This allows the processor to reduce the processing fee to the hunter at the time of donation. In addition, many processors have local money available that allows the deer to be donated free or at greatly reduced cost. **Be sure to contact individual processors to determine what funds are available.**

County	Company Name	City	Work Phone
Laclede	East 32 Meat Processing	Lebanon	417-588-2329
	Spring Valley Meat Processing	Conway	417-589-3633
Lafayette	Alma Meats	Alma	660-674-2231
	Higginsville Processing Plant	Higginsville	660-584-3550
	Nadler's Locker Plant	Wellington	816-240-8124
Lawrence	J & J Processing	Pierce City	417-476-5451
Lewis	Lumley Locker	La Belle	660-213-3373
Lincoln	Brown's Processing	Elsberry	573-384-5284
	Brown's Smokehouse Meats	Winfield	636-566-6112
Linn	King Processing Co.	Marceline	660-376-2640
	Meadville Locker	Meadville	660-938-4318
	Purdin Processing	Purdin	660-244-3888
	Sprague's Locker	Brookfield	660-258-5148
Livingston	Singer Locker Service	Chillicothe	660-646-0951
Macon	Buckridge Butcher Shop	La Plata	No phone
	Special D Meats	Macon	660-385-2141
Maries	Moreland's Processing	St. James	573-699-4360
	The Butcher Shop	Freeburg	573-744-5888
Marion	Hannibal Custom Processing	Hannibal	573-221-8999
	Walnut Hill Farms	Philadelphia	573-439-5945
Mercer	Princeton Custom Meat Processing	Princeton	660-748-4560
Monroe	White Barn Processing	Monroe City	573-735-1418
Montgomery	Davis Meat Processor	Jonesburg	636-488-5227
Newton	Hatfield's Meats	Neosho	417-624-3765
	Seneca Locker Plant	Seneca	417-623-6512
Nodaway	Barnard Processing	Barnard	660-652-3484
Osage	Scherf Meat Processing	Loose Creek	573-897-9930
Ozark	Randall Vaught	Gainsville	417-679-1080
Perry	Stonie's Sausage Shop	Perryville	573-547-2540
Pettis	Kempf's Custom Processing	Sedalia	660-826-2898
	Ray's Processing	Otterville	660-343-5766
Phelps	Steve-n-Sons Meat Processing	Newburg	573-762-2237

State-wide sponsors of the cost-reduction program include the Conservation Department, Shelter Insurance, Bass Pro Shops, the Conservation Federation of Missouri, Missouri Chapter Whitetails Unlimited, Missouri Chapter Safari Club International, Missouri Chapter National Wild Turkey Federation, Drury Hotels, Midway USA Inc., Missouri Deer Hunters Assoc. and Missouri Food Banks Association. To learn more about the program or to find out how your organization can become involved, contact the Conservation Department at 573-522-4115 or the Conservation Federation of Missouri at 573-634-2322.

County	Company Name	City	Work Phone
Pike	Hilty's Custom Butchering	Bowling Green	No phone
	L & M Processing	Bowling Green	573-324-2275
	Woods Smoked Meats	Bowling Green	573-324-2247
Polk	Hoerman's Meat Company	Fair Grove	417-759-2027
	Shrock's Country Butchering	Buffalo	417-345-4342
Ralls	Center Locker Service	Center	573-267-3343
	Four Quarter Processing	Perry	573-565-2622
Randolph	Moberly Custom Meat Processing	Moberly	660-651-9472
Saline	Smith's Food Bank	Slater	660-529-3451
Schuyler	Robert Aldridge	Queen City	660-766-2582
Scotland	Rutledge Meat Locker	Rutledge	660-883-5358
Shannon	Ronald E. Stein	Winona	573-325-1365
St. Charles	Dan's Country Meats	New Melle	636-828-5266
	Josephville Meat Processing	Wentzville	636-327-5455
Ste. Genevieve	Bloomsdale Meat Processing	Bloomsdale	573-483-9555
	Saint Genevieve Butcher Shop	Ste. Genevieve	573-883-2543
St. Louis	G & W Sausage	St. Louis	314-352-5066
	HMS Quality Meat Service	Kirkwood	314-966-8606
	John's Butcher Shoppe	St. Louis	314-423-8066
	Kenricks Meat Co.	St. Louis	314-631-2440
	Mateker's Meat Shop	St. Louis	314-842-4100
	Max's Meats & Deli	Florissant	314-831-6164
Stoddard	J & G Meats	Puxico	573-222-3144
Stone	Oldfield Packing LLC	Oldfield	417-634-3943
Sullivan	Tucker's Grocers & Processing	Green Castle	660-874-5145
Taney	Oldfield Packing LLC	Oldfield	417-634-3943
Texas	Cummins Custom Meats	Licking	573-674-3501
Warren	Wright City Meat Co.	Wright City	636-745-3331
Wayne	Piedmont Processing	Piedmont	573-223-4950
Webster	Gibson Packing	Seymour	417-935-4657
Wright	Forrest Meat Processing Inc.	Norwood	417-746-4111

Conservation Area Regulations

Deer and turkey hunting is only allowed on Department areas that are listed in the chart. If an area that is owned or managed by the Conservation Department is not listed, deer and turkey hunting is not allowed, except during managed hunts. For hunting opportunities on public land that is not owned or managed by the Conservation Department, contact the appropriate agency.

The six different deer hunting options are designed to limit doe harvest at various levels and provide different types of hunting. Check the chart below to find the type of hunt you prefer.

The two turkey hunting options provide firearms hunters and archers places to hunt using their preferred method.

For maps and more details of areas listed on the following pages, contact the regional office or go to **mdc.mo.gov/atlas**.

Regulation key for chart (pages 38–46)

Deer

1. Statewide deer seasons and limits apply.
2. Only archery methods may be used. Deer hunting with firearms is prohibited. All other statewide deer seasons and limits apply.
3. Only archery and muzzleloading methods may be used. All other statewide deer seasons and limits apply.
4. Archery and firearms deer hunting is permitted for antlered or antlerless deer on the following permits only: Archer's Hunting Permit and Firearms Any-Deer Hunting Permit. No archery antlerless or firearm antlerless permits may be used. All other statewide seasons and limits apply.
5. Antlered or antlerless deer may be taken on an Archer's Hunting Permit. Only antlered deer may be taken during the youth, November, and alternative methods portions of the firearms deer season with a Firearms Any-Deer Hunting Permit. No archery antlerless or firearm antlerless permits may be used. Closed to firearms deer hunting during the urban zones and antlerless portions. All other statewide deer seasons and limits apply.
6. Archery and firearms deer hunting is permitted for antlered or antlerless deer on the following permits only: Archer's Hunting Permit and Firearms Any-Deer Permit. No archery antlerless or firearms antlerless permits may be used. Closed to firearms deer hunting during the urban zones and antlerless portions. All other statewide deer seasons and limits apply.

Turkey

7. Statewide turkey seasons and limits apply. See pages 13–14 for methods and limits.
8. Only archery methods may be used to take turkeys. All other statewide turkey seasons and limits apply.

NORTHWEST 816-271-3100

Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Agency	Buchanan	✓						✓	
Aspinwall Bend	Atchison				✓			✓	
Bagley Woods[1]	Mercer	✓						✓	
Belcher Branch Lake	Buchanan			✓				✓	
Bilby Ranch Lake	Nodaway			✓				✓	
Bluffwoods	Buchanan				✓			✓	
Bonanza	Caldwell				✓			✓	
Brickyard Hill	Atchison				✓			✓	
Brown	Holt		✓					✓[A]	
Bunch Hollow	Carroll	✓						✓	
Chloe Lowry Marsh	Mercer	✓						✓	
Christie	Andrew	✓						✓	
Corning	Atchison, Holt				✓			✓	
Crooked River	Ray			✓				✓	
Dalton Bottoms Access	Chariton	✓						✓	
Davis Memorial	Andrew	✓						✓	
Denton Access	Gentry			✓				✓	
Deroin Bend	Atchison, Holt				✓			✓	
Dupree Memorial	Buchanan		✓					✓	
Elam Bend	Gentry				✓			✓	
Elrod Mill Access	Andrew	✓						✓	
Floyd Memorial	Chariton		✓					✓	
Fountain Grove	Linn, Livingston		✓					✓[A, B]	
Gallatin	Daviess				✓			✓	
Grand Pass	Saline		✓						✓
Grand Trace	Harrison				✓			✓	
Hadorn Bridge Access	Andrew		✓					✓	
Happy Holler Lake	Andrew				✓			✓	
Hardin	Ray	✓						✓	

Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Helton Memorial	Harrison				✓			✓	
Holmes Bend Access	Daviess	✓						✓	
Honey Creek	Andrew					✓		✓	
Jamesport Community Lake	Daviess		✓						✓
King Lake	DeKalb, Gentry			✓				✓	
Kneib Memorial	Buchanan		✓					✓	
Lake Paho	Mercer			✓				✓	
Little Compton Lake	Carroll			✓				✓	
Little Tarkio Prairie	Holt	✓						✓	
Logan Memorial	Buchanan		✓					✓	
Lotts Creek	Harrison	✓						✓	
Lower Hamburg Bend	Atchison			✓				✓	
McClure	Mercer	✓						✓	
McCormack	Holt			✓				✓	
McGee Family	Clinton			✓				✓	
McKinny	Carroll	✓						✓	
Mockingbird Hill Access	Grundy		✓					✓	
Monkey Mountain	Holt				✓			✓	
Mussel Fork	Linn, Macon	✓						✓	
Nishnabotna	Atchison				✓			✓	
Nodaway County Community Lake	Nodaway			✓				✓	
Nodaway Valley	Andrew, Holt		✓					✓[A]	
Pawnee Prairie	Harrison	✓						✓	
Pigeon Hill	Buchanan			✓				✓	
Pony Express Lake	Dekalb					✓		✓	
Poosey	Livingston	✓						✓	
Price Bridge Access	Chariton	✓						✓	
Punkin Center Access	Livingston			✓				✓	
Riverbreaks	Holt				✓			✓	
Rush Bottoms	Holt				✓			✓	
Schifferdecker Memorial	Carroll	✓						✓	
Seat Memorial	Gentry, Worth					✓		✓	
Sowards Ford Access	Worth			✓				✓	
Star School Hill Prairie	Atchison	✓						✓	
Sterling Price Community Lake	Chariton		✓					✓	
Sunbridge Hills	Buchanan		✓					✓	
Tarkio Prairie	Atchison				✓			✓	

[1]This area is landlocked. You must get permission from surrounding landowners to gain access.
[2]Area is accessible by boat via Grand River or with permission from surrounding landowners.
[A]Only nontoxic shot may be used.
[B]Firearms methods may be used to hunt turkeys only from Oct. 1–14.

Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Thurnau	Holt				✓			✓	
Vandyke	Mercer	✓						✓	
Wagner	Ray			✓				✓	
Wiese[2]	Carroll, Chariton	✓						✓	
Wolf Creek Bend	Holt				✓			✓	
Worth County Community Lake	Worth			✓				✓	
Worthwine Island	Andrew				✓			✓	
Yellow Creek	Chariton		✓					✓	

NORTHEAST 660-785-2420

Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Anderson	Pike, Ralls				✓			✓	
Arrow-Wood	Shelby	✓						✓	
Atlanta—Long Branch Lake	Macon					✓		✓	
Bee Hollow	Macon, Randolph	✓						✓	
Big Creek	Adair			✓				✓	
Black Hawk Access	Marion	✓						✓	
Bollow	Shelby	✓						✓	
Buck and Doe Run	Clark	✓						✓	
Callahan Mound Access	Marion	✓						✓	
Cedar Bluff Access	Monroe	✓						✓	
Clark	Clark				✓			✓	
Dark Hollow	Sullivan					✓		✓	
Deer Ridge	Lewis				✓			✓	
Dodd Access	Macon		✓					✓	
Dunn Ford Access	Marion	✓						✓	
Dupont Reservation	Pike			✓				✓	
Ella Ewing Lake	Scotland		✓					✓	
Elmslie Memorial	Marion	✓						✓	
Fox Valley Lake	Clark				✓			✓	
Frost Island	Clark			✓				✓	
Griffiths Memorial	Macon			✓				✓	
Heath Memorial	Clark				✓			✓	
Henry Sever Lake	Knox				✓			✓	
Hidden Hollow	Macon	✓						✓	
Hunnewell Lake	Shelby				✓			✓	
Indian Hills	Scotland			✓				✓	
LaBelle Lake	Lewis		✓					✓	
Locust Creek	Sullivan				✓			✓	
McPike Access	Marion		✓					✓	
Mineral Hills	Putnam	✓						✓	

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Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Montgomery Woods	Adair, Macon	✓						✓	
Morris Prairie	Sullivan			✓				✓	
Mound View Access	Shelby		✓					✓	
Neeper	Clark	✓						✓	
Pin Oak	Shelby	✓						✓	
Ranacker	Pike					✓		✓	
Ray Memorial, J. Thad	Marion		✓						✓
Rebel's Cove	Putnam, Schuyler				✓			✓	
Redman	Macon			✓				✓	
Rocky Hollow	Monroe	✓						✓	
Rose Pond	Clark	✓						✓	
Sears Community Lake	Sullivan		✓					✓	
Shanks	Pike		✓					✓[A, B]	
Shoemaker	Adair	✓						✓	
Soulard Access	Marion	✓						✓	
Sugar Creek	Adair	✓						✓	
Sunnyside School Access	Lewis	✓						✓	
Sunrise Access	Marion		✓					✓	
Thomas Hill Reservoir	Macon	✓						✓	
Tolona Access	Lewis		✓					✓	
Union Ridge	Adair, Putnam, Sullivan					✓		✓	
Upper Mississippi—Angle, Blackbird, Blackburn, Ducher, Gilbert, Mozier, Pharrs, North and South Fritz islands	Pike	✓						✓	
Upper Mississippi—Bay Island	Marion		✓					✓	
Upper Mississippi—Cottonwood Island	Lewis	✓						✓	
Upper Mississippi—Fabius, Orton, Poage, Whitney, Ziegler islands	Marion	✓						✓	
White Oak Bend Access	Knox	✓						✓	
Willingham Memorial	Monroe	✓						✓	
Woodlawn Access	Monroe	✓						✓	
Wyaconda Crossing	Lewis	✓						✓	

[A]Only nontoxic shot may be used.
[B]Firearms methods may be used to hunt turkeys only from Oct. 1–14.

KANSAS CITY 816-622-0900

Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Amarugia Highland	Cass						✓	✓	
Balltown Access	Vernon	✓						✓	
Baltimore Bend	Lafayette	✓						✓	
Big Buffalo Creek	Benton, Morgan	✓						✓	
Big Drywood Creek	Vernon		✓					✓	
Birdsong	St. Clair	✓						✓	
Bittern Bottoms	Cass		✓						✓
Blackjack Access	St. Clair	✓						✓	
Brickley Hollow Access	Benton		✓					✓	
Bridger Urban	Jackson		✓						✓
Bristow	Vernon						✓	✓	
Brun's Tract	Pettis			✓				✓	
Bryson's Hope	Pettis			✓				✓	
Cephas Ford Access	Vernon	✓						✓	
Chapel View Prairie	Henry			✓				✓	
Cooley Lake	Clay			✓				✓[A]	
Dave Rock	St. Clair						✓	✓	
Dorsett Hill Prairie	Cass		✓					✓	
Douglas Branch	Vernon	✓						✓	
Drovers Prairie	Pettis			✓					✓
Edmonson Access	Benton		✓					✓	
Ferguson-Herold	Lafayette		✓					✓	
Fewel	Henry			✓				✓	
Flight Lake	Vernon						✓	✓	
Four Rivers Unit 1 (north of Little Osage River), 2 and 3	Bates, Vernon		✓					✓[A]	
Four Rivers Unit 1 (portion south of Little Osage River and Prairie Woods Tract)	Bates, Vernon	✓						✓[A]	
Four Rivers Unit 4	Bates, Vernon			✓				✓[A]	
Friendly Prairie	Pettis			✓					✓
Gama Grass Prairie	Vernon			✓				✓	
Grandfather Prairie	Pettis			✓				✓	
Granny's Acres	Benton	✓						✓	
Grove Memorial	Lafayette		✓					✓	
Harmony Mission Lake	Bates			✓				✓	
Hartwell	Pettis			✓				✓	
Hazel Hill Lake	Johnson						✓	✓	

Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Hi Lonesome Prairie	Benton			✓				✓	
Ionia Ridge	Benton			✓				✓	
Kahrs-Boger Park	Pettis						✓	✓	
J.N. "Turkey" Kearn Memorial Units 1, 2	Johnson, Pettis					✓		✓	
J.N. "Turkey" Kearn Memorial Unit 3	Johnson, Pettis			✓				✓	
W.R. Kearn	Pettis			✓				✓	
Kendzora	Buchanan, Platte		✓					✓	
Kings Prairie Access	St. Clair	✓						✓	
Ladue Bottoms	Henry			✓				✓	
Liberty Bend	Clay		✓					✓	
Linscomb	St. Clair						✓	✓	
Little Bean Marsh	Platte		✓					✓[A]	
Lone Jack Lake	Jackson		✓					✓	
Lost Valley Fish Hatchery	Benton		✓					✓	
Maple Leaf Lake	Lafayette						✓	✓	
Marshall	Platte			✓				✓	
Montrose	Henry		✓					✓[A, B]	
Mora	Benton						✓	✓	
Mount Hulda Towersite	Benton			✓				✓	
Old Town Access	Bates			✓				✓	
Osage Prairie	Vernon			✓				✓	
Paint Brush Prairie	Pettis			✓				✓	
Park, Guy B.	Platte		✓					✓	
Parma Woods Range and Training Center—north of power lines only	Platte		✓					✓	
Peabody	Bates			✓				✓	
Perry Memorial	Johnson, Pettis, Saline					✓		✓	
Platte Falls	Platte		✓					✓	
Poague	Henry	✓						✓	
Ripgut Prairie	Bates						✓	✓	
Schell-Osage	St. Clair, Vernon		✓					✓[A]	
Settle's Ford	Bates, Cass		✓					✓[A]	
Sni-A-Bar	Lafayette		✓					✓	
Taberville Prairie	St. Clair			✓				✓	
Truman Reservoir—Bethlehem	Henry	✓						✓	
Truman Reservoir—Brownington	Henry	✓						✓	
Truman Reservoir—Brush Creek	Benton	✓						✓	
Truman Reservoir—Cedar Creek	Henry	✓						✓	
Truman Reservoir—Cross Timbers	Hickory	✓						✓	

Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Truman Reservoir—Deepwater Creek	Henry	✓						✓	
Truman Reservoir—Gallinipper Creek	St. Clair	✓						✓	
Truman Reservoir—Gouge Eye	Henry	✓						✓	
Truman Reservoir—Grand River Bottoms	Henry	✓						✓	
Truman Reservoir—Leesville	Henry	✓						✓	
Truman Reservoir—Little Pomme de Terre	Benton	✓						✓	
Truman Reservoir—Little Tebo Creek	Benton	✓						✓	
Truman Reservoir—Sac-Osage	St. Clair	✓						✓	
Truman Reservoir—Salt Creek	St. Clair	✓						✓	
Truman Reservoir—Tebo Islands	Benton	✓						✓	
Truman Reservoir—Upper Tebo Creek	Henry	✓						✓	
Truman Reservoir—Valhalia	St. Clair	✓						✓	
Truman Reservoir—Weaubleau Creek	St. Clair	✓						✓	
Urich	Henry	✓						✓	
Wah-Kon-Tah Prairie—north of Hwy. 82	St. Clair			✓				✓	

CENTRAL

573-815-7900

Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Ben Branch Lake	Osage	✓						✓	
Bennitt, Rudolf	Boone, Howard, Randolph	✓						✓	
Blind Pony Lake	Saline		✓					✓	
Blue Lick	Saline		✓					✓	
Branch Towersite	Camden		✓					✓	
Bruns Access	Osage	✓						✓	
Burnt Mill Cave	Camden	✓						✓	
Canaan	Gasconade						✓	✓	
Carpenter Memorial	Morgan	✓						✓	
Clifty Creek	Maries						✓	✓	
Cooper Hill	Osage	✓						✓	
Danville	Montgomery					✓		✓	
Davisdale	Howard					✓		✓	
Diana Bend	Howard	✓						✓	
Diggs	Audrain						✓	✓	
Eagle Bluffs	Boone		✓						✓

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Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Earthquake Hollow	Callaway			✓				✓	
Fiery Fork	Camden						✓	✓	
Franklin Island	Howard			✓				✓	
Gale Access	Camden		✓					✓	
Grand Bluffs	Montgomery		✓					✓	
Hart Creek	Boone						✓	✓	
Hinkson Woods	Boone		✓						✓
Hite Prairie	Morgan		✓					✓	
Honey Creek Access	Cole		✓					✓	
Hungry Mother	Howard			✓				✓	
Lamine River	Cooper, Morgan					✓		✓	
Lick Creek	Boone						✓	✓	
Little Dixie Lake	Callaway		✓					✓	
Loutre Lick Access	Montgomery			✓				✓	
Lowe	Audrain		✓					✓	
Madden Ford Access	Miller			✓				✓	
Manito Lake	Moniteau, Morgan						✓	✓	
Mansfield	Camden		✓					✓	
Marion Bottoms	Cole, Moniteau	✓						✓	
Marshall Junction	Saline						✓	✓	
Moniteau Creek	Howard						✓	✓	
Moores Mill Access	Callaway			✓				✓	
Northcutt Memorial	Audrain			✓				✓	
Painted Rock	Osage						✓	✓	
Pikes Camp Access	Cole	✓						✓	
Plowboy Bend	Moniteau						✓	✓	
Prairie Home	Cooper, Moniteau						✓	✓	
Proctor Towersite	Morgan			✓				✓	
Reform	Callaway		✓					✓	
Rinquelin Trail Community Lake	Maries			✓				✓	
Rocky Fork Lakes	Boone			✓				✓	
Rocky Mount Towersite	Miller		✓					✓	
Saline Valley	Miller	✓						✓	
Scrivner Road	Cole						✓	✓	
Smith	Cole, Moniteau			✓				✓	
Smoky Waters	Cole, Osage	✓						✓	
Spring Creek Gap	Maries						✓	✓	
Stringtown Bridge Access	Cole		✓					✓	
Tate Island	Callaway	✓						✓	

Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Three Creeks	Boone				✓			✓	
Toronto Springs	Camden						✓	✓	
Tri-City Community Lake	Boone		✓					✓	
Vandalia Community Lake	Audrain		✓					✓	
Waters & Moss Memorial	Boone		✓						✓
Wellsville Lake	Montgomery			✓				✓	
Whetstone Creek	Callaway							✓	
White	Audrain	✓						✓	
Wigwam School Access	Morgan		✓					✓	
Wilson Camp Access	Miller			✓				✓	

ST. LOUIS

636-441-4554

Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Anderson Memorial	Crawford		✓					✓	
B.K. Leach Memorial	Lincoln		✓					✓[A, B]	
Blue Springs Creek	Crawford	✓						✓	
Bootleg Access	Washington	✓						✓	
Catawissa	Franklin		✓					✓	
Crooked Creek	Crawford	✓						✓	
Cuivre Island—Island portion only	Lincoln, St. Charles						✓	✓	
Cuivre Island—Mainland portion	Lincoln, St. Charles		✓					✓	
Daniel Boone	Warren					✓		✓	
Howell Island	St. Charles		✓					✓	
Hughes Mountain	Washington	✓						✓	
Huzzah	Crawford	✓						✓	
Kessler Memorial	Lincoln		✓					✓	
Keysville Towersite	Crawford	✓						✓	
Kingston Access	Washington			✓				✓	
LaBarque Creek	Jefferson		✓					✓	
Little Indian Creek	Franklin, Washington					✓		✓	
Little Lost Creek	Warren					✓		✓	
Logan	Lincoln						✓	✓	
Long Ridge	Franklin					✓		✓	
Meramec	Franklin	✓						✓	
Merrill Horse Access	Jefferson		✓					✓	
Pacific Palisades	Jefferson		✓					✓	
Pea Ridge	Washington	✓						✓	

Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Prairie Slough	Lincoln, Pike		✓					✓	
Redhorse Access	Franklin			✓				✓	
Reifsnider	Warren					✓		✓	
River 'Round	Franklin			✓				✓	
Sandy Island	Lincoln	✓						✓	
Sizemore Memorial	Crawford		✓					✓	
St. Stanislaus	St. Louis		✓						
Upper Mississippi—Dresser Island	St. Charles		✓					✓	
Upper Mississippi—Pool 26 Tracts	St. Charles	✓						✓	
Upper Mississippi—Stag, Sterling, Westport islands	Lincoln	✓						✓	
Valley View Glades	Jefferson		✓					✓	
Victoria Glades	Jefferson		✓					✓	
Vonaventure Memorial	Lincoln		✓					✓	
Weldon Spring	St. Charles							✓	
White Memorial	Lincoln						✓	✓	
Young	Jefferson		✓					✓	

SOUTHWEST

417-895-6880

Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Barclay	Dallas	✓						✓	
Bear Creek	Laclede	✓						✓	
Bennett Spring Access	Dallas		✓					✓	
Bethel Prairie	Barton			✓				✓	
Bluff Springs	Cedar	✓						✓	
Bois d'Arc[3]	Greene		✓					✓	
Boston Ferry	Taney		✓						✓
Brush Creek	Polk	✓						✓	
Buffalo Hills	McDonald					✓			✓
Buffalo Wallow Prairie	Barton			✓				✓	
Bushwhacker Lake	Barton, Vernon			✓				✓	
Busiek	Christian			✓				✓	
Capps Creek	Newton			✓					✓
Charity Access	Dallas	✓						✓	
Clear Creek	Barton, Vernon			✓				✓	
Coffin Cave	Laclede			✓				✓	

[3]This area is closed Oct. 6–7 for a managed hunt.
[4]This area is closed Oct. 20–22 for a managed hunt.
[A]Only nontoxic shot may be used.
[B]Firearms methods may be used to hunt turkeys only from Oct. 1–14.

Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Compton Hollow	Webster						✓	✓	
Comstock Prairie	Barton			✓				✓	
Cowskin Access	McDonald	✓							✓
Cross Timbers Access	Hickory	✓						✓	
Dale Sare	Greene		✓					✓	
Davis Memorial	Barton			✓				✓	
Deep Ford Access	McDonald	✓							✓
Diamond Grove Prairie	Newton		✓						✓
Dorris Creek Prairie	Barton		✓					✓	
Drury-Mincy[4]	Taney		✓					✓	
Drynob Access	Laclede		✓						✓
Drywood	Barton		✓					✓	
Fiddlers Ford Access	Dade		✓					✓	
Flag Spring	Barry, McDonald						✓		✓
Fort Crowder	Newton	✓							✓
Goodman Towersite	Newton		✓						✓
Goose Creek	Laclede	✓						✓	
Hayes Spring	Stone	✓						✓	
Holland	Stone	✓						✓	
Hollister Towersite	Taney	✓						✓	
Horse Creek Prairie	Dade		✓					✓	
Huckleberry Ridge	McDonald						✓		✓
Indigo Prairie	Dade		✓					✓	
Jessie Hollow	Stone	✓						✓	
Kickapoo Prairie	Lawrence	✓						✓	
Lanagan Towersite	McDonald	✓							✓
Lead Mine	Dallas						✓	✓	
Little Sac Woods	Greene						✓	✓	
Mary Lawson	Laclede	✓						✓	
Monegaw Prairie	Cedar		✓					✓	
Mo-No-I Prairie	Barton		✓					✓	
Mon-Shon Prairie	Barton		✓					✓	
Mule Shoe	Camden, Hickory	✓						✓	
Murphy Memorial	Hickory	✓						✓	
Neosho Towersite	Newton		✓						✓
Niangua	Webster	✓						✓	
Osage Fork	Laclede		✓					✓	
Pa Sole Prairie	Barton			✓				✓	
Paris Springs Access	Lawrence	✓						✓	
Phenix Access	Greene	✓						✓	
Pilot Knob	Stone	✓						✓	
Pleasant Hope	Polk					✓		✓	

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Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Pomme de Terre Lake Management Lands	Hickory, Polk	✓						✓	
Powell Towersite	McDonald	✓							✓
Providence Prairie	Lawrence	✓						✓	
Rader Access	Webster	✓						✓	
Redwing Prairie	Barton		✓					✓	
Risch	Barton			✓				✓	
Roaring River	Barry	✓						✓	
Rocky Barrens	Greene		✓					✓	
Sentinel	Polk	✓						✓	
Shawnee Trail	Barton			✓				✓	
Shelton Memorial	Dade		✓					✓	
Sky Prairie	Cedar		✓					✓	
Sloane	Dade		✓					✓	
Stockton Lake—Big Sac Unit	Dade, Polk						✓	✓	
Stockton Lake—Little Sac Unit	Dade, Polk			✓				✓	
Stony Point Prairie	Dade			✓				✓	
Stubblefield Access	Barry		✓					✓	
Talbot	Lawrence					✓		✓	
Tipton Ford Access	Newton		✓						✓
Treaty Line Prairie	Barton		✓					✓	
Turkey Creek	Cedar	✓						✓	
Twenty-Five Mile Prairie	Polk			✓				✓	
Williams Ford Access	Dallas	✓						✓	
Wire Road	Stone			✓				✓	

OZARK

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Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Allen Memorial	Wright		✓					✓	
Angeline	Shannon	✓						✓	
Barn Hollow	Howell, Texas	✓						✓	
Barnes	Texas	✓						✓	
Beaver Creek	Phelps		✓					✓	
Birch Creek	Shannon	✓						✓	
Bohigian	Phelps	✓						✓	
Brown	Dent		✓					✓	
Bull Shoals Lake	Ozark	✓						✓	
Buzzard Bluff Access	Wright	✓						✓	
Cabool Towersite	Texas	✓						✓	
Caney Mountain—Outside Fenced Portion	Ozark				✓			✓	
Caney Mountain—Inside Fenced Portion	Ozark							✓	
Carter Creek	Carter				✓			✓	
Cedar Gap	Wright	✓						✓	
Cedar Grove	Dent	✓						✓	
Clement Memorial Forest	Dent	✓						✓	
Cover Memorial	Oregon	✓						✓	
Cover Prairie	Howell		✓					✓	
Davidson-Paris	Howell		✓					✓	
Davis	Howell		✓					✓	
Dixon Towersite	Pulaski		✓					✓	
Eck	Texas		✓					✓	
Fort Leonard Wood Towersite	Pulaski		✓					✓	
Fourche Creek—Gatewood Tract	Ripley		✓					✓	
Fourche Creek—Excluding Gatewood Tract	Ripley					✓		✓	
Fuson	Wright	✓						✓	
Gasconade Hills	Pulaski	✓						✓	
Gist Ranch	Texas	✓						✓	
Grandin Towersite	Ripley	✓						✓	
Hemenway	Ripley		✓					✓	
Horseshoe Bend	Texas		✓					✓	
Houston Towersite	Texas	✓						✓	
Hunter Towersite	Carter	✓						✓	
Hyer Woods	Dent		✓					✓	
Indian Trail	Dent	✓						✓	
Little Black	Ripley	✓						✓	
Little Prairie	Phelps		✓					✓	
Massengill	Douglas	✓						✓	
Midvale	Texas	✓						✓	
Montauk Towersite	Dent		✓					✓	
Mountain View Towersite	Howell	✓						✓	
Mudpuppy	Ripley	✓						✓	
Norfork Lake	Ozark	✓						✓	
Odin Access	Wright	✓						✓	
Patrick Bridge Access	Ozark	✓						✓	
Peck Ranch—Outside Fenced Portion	Carter, Shannon				✓			✓	

Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Piney River Narrows	Texas		✓					✓	
Rippee	Douglas	✓						✓	
Rocky Creek	Shannon	✓						✓	
Rosati Towersite	Phelps		✓					✓	
Rose Hill Towersite	Oregon	✓						✓	
Roubidoux Creek	Pulaski		✓					✓	
Sand Pond	Ripley		✓					✓	
Shannon Ranch	Douglas	✓						✓	
Short Bend Access	Dent		✓					✓	
Sunklands	Shannon	✓						✓	
Tecumseh Towersite	Ozark	✓						✓	
Thomasville Towersite	Shannon	✓						✓	
Timber Knob Towersite	Ozark	✓						✓	
Tingler Prairie	Howell	✓						✓	
Twin Knobs Towersite	Douglas	✓						✓	
Vanderhoef Memorial	Howell		✓					✓	
Vera Cruz Access	Douglas	✓						✓	
Warm Fork	Oregon	✓						✓	
White State Forest Nursery	Texas	✓						✓	
White Ranch	Howell				✓			✓	
White River Trace	Dent		✓					✓	
Woods Memorial	Crawford, Phelps		✓					✓	

SOUTHEAST

573-290-5730

Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Amidon Memorial	Bollinger	✓						✓	
Apple Creek	Cape Girardeau					✓		✓	
Aquilla Access	Stoddard	✓						✓	
Big Cane	Butler	✓						✓	
Bismarck	St. Francois						✓	✓	
Black Island—Stephen Bradford and Gayoso Bend units	Pemiscot					✓			✓
Black Island—Desoto and Wolf Bayou units	Pemiscot		✓						✓
Buck Mountain	St. Francois	✓						✓	
Buford Mountain	Iron, Washington	✓						✓	
Carmichael	Butler	✓						✓	
Cash Memorial	Dunklin			✓					
Cash Memorial—Largent Annex	Dunklin			✓					
Castor River	Bollinger	✓						✓	
Cedar Mountain[1]	Iron		✓					✓	
Chalk Bluff Trail Access	Dunklin		✓						✓
Champion Springs[1]	Reynolds	✓						✓	
Clearwater	Reynolds	✓						✓	
Clearwater Lake	Reynolds	✓						✓	
Clubb Creek	Bollinger	✓						✓	
Coldwater Access	Wayne	✓						✓	
Coldwater	Wayne	✓						✓	
Coon Island	Butler		✓					✓[A,B]	
Corkwood	Butler		✓					✓	
Crowley's Ridge	Stoddard	✓						✓	
Current River	Carter, Reynolds, Shannon	✓						✓	
Donaldson Point	New Madrid					✓			✓
Duck Creek north of Hwy. Z	Bollinger, Stoddard, Wayne	✓						✓[A]	
Duck Creek south of Hwy. Z	Bollinger, Stoddard, Wayne		✓					✓[A,B]	
Duck Creek—Dark Cypress and Greenbrier units	Bollinger		✓					✓[A,B]	
Flatwoods	Wayne	✓						✓	
Frisbee Cutoff Access	Dunklin		✓						
Funk Memorial	Iron	✓						✓	
General Watkins	Scott					✓			✓
Gipsy Towersite	Bollinger		✓					✓	
Girvin	New Madrid, Pemiscot			✓					✓
Grassy Towersite	Bollinger		✓					✓	
Graves Mountain	Iron, Wayne	✓						✓	
Hammer Memorial	Wayne			✓				✓	
Hawn Access	Bollinger			✓				✓	
Holly Ridge	Stoddard	✓						✓	
Hornersville Swamp	Dunklin			✓					
Horton Farm	Ste. Genevieve		✓					✓	
Iron Bridge Access	Wayne		✓					✓	
Ketcherside Mountain	Iron, Reynolds	✓						✓	
Knob Lick Towersite	St. Francois		✓					✓	

[1]This area is landlocked. You must get permission from surrounding landowners to gain access.
[A]Only nontoxic shot may be used.
[B]Firearms methods may be used to hunt turkeys only from Oct. 1–14.

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Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Lake Girardeau	Cape Girardeau		✓						✓
Little River	Dunklin, Pemiscot		✓						
Little Whitewater	Bollinger			✓				✓	
Logan Creek	Reynolds, Shannon	✓						✓	
Lon Sanders Canyon	Wayne		✓						✓
Magnolia Hollow	Ste. Genevieve					✓		✓	
Maintz Wildlife Preserve	Cape Girardeau					✓		✓	
Marquand Access	Madison		✓					✓	
Millstream Gardens	Madison	✓						✓	
Oak Ridge	Stoddard	✓						✓	
Old Plantation Access	Cape Girardeau		✓					✓	
Poplar Bluff	Butler	✓						✓	
Red Rock Landing	Perry					✓		✓	

Area Name	County	Deer						Turkey	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Riverside	Iron, Reynolds, Wayne	✓						✓	
Sank	Bollinger			✓				✓	
Seven Island	Mississippi			✓					✓
Seventy-Six	Perry					✓		✓	
Sun	Butler	✓						✓	
Sweetgum Access	Bollinger		✓					✓	
Swift Ditch Access	New Madrid		✓						✓
Ten Mile Pond	Mississippi		✓						
Thompson Ford Access	Madison		✓						✓
Tywappity Towersite	Scott		✓						
University Forest	Butler, Wayne	✓						✓	
Wappapello Reservoir	Wayne	✓						✓	
Warbler Woods	Dunklin			✓					
Wilhelmina	Butler					✓		✓	
Yokum School	Wayne	✓						✓	

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	Coyote	Gray Wolf
Length (Nose to Tail)	4 feet	4.5–6.5 feet
Weight	20–40 pounds	60–120 pounds
Height at Shoulder	20 inches	30 inches
Head	Triangular	Blocky
Ears	Pointed; relatively large compared to head	Rounded; relatively small compared to head
Muzzle	Petite and pointed	Large and blocky

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3 CSR 10-7.431 Deer Hunting Seasons: General Provisions

(1) The current *Fall Deer & Turkey Hunting Regulations and Information* booklet is hereby incorporated in this Code by reference. This booklet is published annually in August by, and a printed copy can be obtained from, the Missouri Department of Conservation, PO Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0180 and is also available online at **www.missouriconservation.org**. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions.

(2) Deer shall mean white-tailed deer and mule deer. Antlered deer shall mean deer with at least one (1) antler at least three inches (3") long, except as provided in 3 CSR 10-7.435. Deer may be pursued, taken, killed, possessed, or transported only as permitted in this Code.

(3) Persons hunting or pursuing deer must possess a prescribed deer hunting permit. Resident landowners and lessees can qualify for no-cost permits.

(4) Deer may be pursued or taken only from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise until one-half (1/2) hour after sunset.

(5) Deer Hunting Methods.

(A) Archery: longbows, recurve bows, compound bows, and atlatl.

(B) Muzzleloader: muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearms, .40 caliber or larger, not capable of being loaded from the breech.

(C) Any legal method: archery and muzzleloader methods; atlatl; crossbows; shotguns; handguns or rifles firing expanding-type centerfire ammunition; and air-powered guns, .40 caliber or larger, charged only from an external high compression power source (external hand pump, air tank, or air compressor).

(D) Prohibited, in use or possession:

1. Methods restricted by local ordinance;

2. Self-loading firearms with capacity of more than eleven (11) cartridges in magazine and chamber combined with the exception of concealed firearms carried by persons issued a concealed carry endorsement on a driver license or non-driver license and any qualified law enforcement officer or qualified retired law enforcement officer as defined in the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act (18 USC 926B or 18 USC 926C) (Firearms possessed under this exception may not be used to take wildlife while deer hunting. Proof of this exception must be carried while hunting.);

3. Ammunition propelling more than one (1) projectile at a single discharge, such as buckshot;

4. Full hard metal case projectiles;

5. Fully automatic firearms; and

6. Electronic calls or electronically activated calls.

(6) Deer may not be hunted, pursued, taken, or killed—

(A) While in a stream or other body of water;

(B) From a boat with a motor attached;

(C) With the aid of a motor-driven land conveyance or aircraft;

(D) With the aid of dogs, in use or possession;

(E) With the aid of artificial light or night vision equipment;

(F) Within any area enclosed by a fence greater than seven feet (7') in height that could contain or restrict the free range of deer. Exceptions are provided in other rules or by written authorization of the director; and

(G) With the aid of bait (grain or other feed placed or scattered so as to constitute an attraction or enticement to deer). Scents and minerals, including salt, are not regarded as bait; however, mineral blocks with food additives are prohibited. An area is considered baited for ten (10) days following complete removal of bait. A person shall be in violation of this provision if they take or attempt to take deer by the aid of bait, where the person knows or reasonably should know that the area is or has been baited. It is illegal to place bait in a way that causes others to be in violation of the baiting rule.

(7) During the firearms deer hunting season and during managed firearms deer hunts on those areas where such hunts are held, all persons hunting any game, and also adult mentors accompanying them, must wear a cap or hat and a shirt, vest, or coat of the color commonly known as hunter orange, which must be plainly visible from all sides. Camouflage orange garments do not meet this requirement.

The following are exempt from this requirement:

(A) Migratory game bird hunters;

(B) Archery permittees during the alternative methods portion;

(C) All hunters in counties closed during the urban zones and antlerless portions;

(D) Hunters using archery methods while hunting within municipal boundaries where discharge of firearms is prohibited;

(E) Hunters on federal or state public hunting areas and during managed hunts where deer hunting is restricted to archery or crossbow methods; and

(F) Hunters of small game and/or furbearers during the alternative methods portion.

(8) Hunters who kill or injure a deer must make a reasonable effort to retrieve and tag it, but this does not authorize trespass.

(9) Hunters who take a deer shall void their permit immediately by notching the month and date of harvest. The voided permit shall be attached to the deer. Deer may be possessed and transported only by the taker until reported through the Telecheck Harvest Reporting System. All deer taken shall be accurately reported through the Telecheck Harvest Reporting System by 10:00 p.m. on the day taken by the taker or in the taker's immediate presence. The Telecheck confirmation number shall be recorded immediately on the deer hunting permit as indicated on the permit. The deer shall remain intact or as a field-dressed carcass until the deer is reported through the Telecheck Harvest Reporting System. All deer shall be reported through the Telecheck Harvest Reporting System prior to processing or being removed from the state.

(10) Deer (or parts thereof) reported in accordance with established procedures, when labeled with the full name and address of the taker, the date taken, and the Telecheck confirmation number of the deer, may be possessed, transported, and stored by anyone. Commercially processed deer meat may be donated to not-for-profit charitable organizations under guidelines established by the director.

3 CSR 10-7.432 Deer: Archery Hunting Season

(1) The archery deer hunting season is September 15 through January 15, excluding the November portion of the firearms deer hunting season. Use archery methods only; firearms may not be possessed with the following exceptions (Firearms possessed under these exceptions may not be used to take wildlife while archery hunting. Proof of this exception must be carried while hunting.):

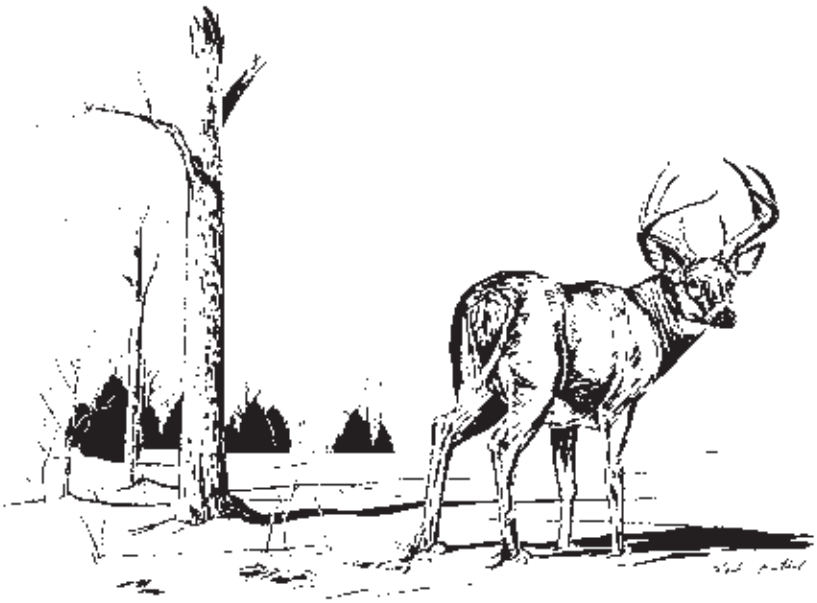
(A) Any person who has been issued a concealed carry endorsement on a driver license or non-driver license and such endorsement or license has not been suspended, revoked, canceled, or denied may carry concealed firearms on or about his/her person while hunting; and

(B) Any qualified law enforcement officer or qualified retired law enforcement officer as defined in the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act (18 USC 926B or 18 USC 926C) may carry concealed firearms on or about his/her person while hunting.

(2) Archery Deer Hunting Permits.

(A) Resident or Nonresident Archer's Hunting Permit. Valid for two (2) deer statewide, except that only one (1) antlered deer may be taken prior to the November portion of the firearms deer hunting season.

(B) Resident or Nonresident Archery Antlerless Deer Hunting Permit. Valid for one (1) antlerless deer in any open county. Persons may purchase and fill any number of these permits, where valid. A Nonresident Archer's Hunting Permit must be purchased before purchasing Nonresident Archery Antlerless Deer Hunting Permits.



3 CSR 10-7.433 Deer: Firearms Hunting Season

(1) The firearms deer hunting season is comprised of six (6) portions.

(A) Urban zones portion: October 5 through 8, 2012; use any legal deer hunting method to take antlerless deer in open zones.

(B) Youth portions: November 3 and 4, 2012 and December 29 and 30, 2012; for persons at least six (6) but not older than fifteen (15) years of age; use any legal deer hunting method to take one (1) deer statewide during

the November 3 and 4, 2012 portion; use any legal deer hunting method to take deer statewide during the December 29 and 30, 2012 portion.

(C) November portion: November 10 through 20, 2012; use any legal deer hunting method to take deer statewide.

(D) Alternative methods portion: December 15 through 25, 2012; use muzzleloader and archery methods, crossbows, atlatl, handguns, and air-powered guns as defined in 3 CSR 10-7.431 to take deer statewide.

(E) Antlerless portion: November 21 through December 2, 2012; use any legal deer hunting method to take antlerless deer in open counties.

(2) Firearms Deer Hunting Permits.

(A) Resident or Nonresident Firearms Any-Deer Hunting Permit: valid for one (1) deer statewide, except that only antlerless deer may be taken during the urban zones and antlerless portions of the season.

(B) Resident or Nonresident Firearms Antlerless Deer Hunting Permit: valid for one (1) antlerless deer in any open county. Persons may purchase any number of these permits and fill them where valid. A Nonresident Firearms Any-Deer Hunting Permit must be purchased before purchasing Nonresident Firearms Antlerless Deer Hunting Permits.

(3) A person may take only one (1) antlered deer during the firearms deer hunting season. Deer taken at managed deer hunts are not included in this limit.

(4) Other wildlife may be hunted during the firearms deer hunting season with the following restrictions:

(A) During the November portion statewide and the antlerless portion in open counties, other wildlife may be hunted only with pistol, revolver, or rifle firing a .22 caliber or smaller rimfire cartridge, or a shotgun and shot not larger than No. 4; except that waterfowl hunters, trappers, or landowners on their land or lessees on land upon which they reside may use other methods as specified in 3 CSR 10-7.410(1)(G).

(B) Furbearers may be hunted using any legal deer hunting method during established furbearer hunting seasons by persons holding an unfilled Firearms Deer Hunting Permit, and:

1. A Resident Small Game Hunting Permit; or

2. A Nonresident Furbearer Hunting and Trapping Permit.

(C) Furbearers may not be chased, pursued, or taken with the aid of dogs during daylight hours from November 1 through the end of the November portion statewide and the antlerless portion in open counties.

(D) Squirrels and rabbits may not be chased, pursued, or taken with the aid of dogs during daylight hours of the November portion in Butler, Carter, Dent, Iron, Madison, Oregon, Reynolds, Ripley, Shannon, and Wayne counties.

(5) Feral hogs, defined as any hog, including Russian and European wild boar, not conspicuously identified by ear tags or other forms of identification and roaming freely on public or private lands without the landowner's permission (refer to section 270.400 of *Missouri Revised Statutes*), may be taken in any number during the firearms deer hunting season as follows:

(A) Hunters must possess a valid small game hunting or unfilled firearms deer hunting permit and abide by the methods of pursuit allowed for deer as well as any other restrictions that may apply on specific public areas.

(B) During the November portion statewide and the antlerless portion in open counties:

1. Firearms deer permittees may only use methods allowed for deer.

2. Small game permittees may only use pistol, revolver, or rifle firing a .22 caliber or smaller rimfire cartridge, or a shotgun with shot not larger than No. 4.

3. Dogs may not be used.

(C) During the youth and alternative methods portions statewide and the urban zones portion in open counties:

1. Deer permittees may only use methods allowed for deer.

2. Small game permittees may only use methods allowed for small game.

(D) Resident landowners and lessees on qualifying land are not required to have any permit and may use any method to take feral hogs throughout the year.

3 CSR 10-7.434 Deer: Landowner Privileges

(1) Resident landowners and lessees as outlined in the *Fall Deer & Turkey Regulations and Information* booklet can obtain no-cost deer hunting permits from any permit vendor.

(A) Those with five (5) or more continuous acres can each receive one (1) Resident Landowner Firearms Any-Deer Hunting Permit, one (1) Resident Landowner Archer's

Hunting Permit, and, if property is in a county in which Archery Antlerless Deer Hunting Permits can be used, two (2) Resident Landowner Archery Antlerless Deer Hunting Permits.

(B) In addition to the permits listed in subsection (1)(A), those with seventy-five (75) or more acres located in a single county or at least seventy-five (75) continuous acres bisected by a county boundary can receive a maximum of two (2) Resident Landowner Firearms Antlerless Deer Hunting Permits. Landowners with at least seventy-five (75) acres in more than one county must comply with landowner antlerless deer limits for each county.

(2) All landowner deer hunting permits are valid only on qualifying property.

(3) All landowners and lessees who take deer on landowner permits may also purchase and fill other deer hunting permits but must abide by seasons, limits, and restrictions. A landowner or lessee may take only one (1) antlered deer during the firearms deer hunting season. A landowner or lessee may take only two (2) antlered deer during the archery deer hunting season except that only one (1) antlered deer may be taken prior to the November portion of the firearms deer hunting season.

(4) Persons defined as landowners include:

(A) General partners of partnerships;

(B) Officers of resident or foreign corporations;

(C) Officers or managing members of resident limited liability companies; and

(D) Officers of benevolent associations organized pursuant to Chapter 352 of the *Revised Statutes of Missouri*.

3 CSR 10-7.435 Deer: Special Harvest Provisions

(1) Only antlerless deer and antlered deer with at least one (1) antler having at least four (4) antler points may be taken in the counties of Andrew, Atchison, Audrain, Barton, Bates, Benton, Boone, Buchanan, Caldwell, Callaway, Camden, Carroll, the portion of Cass County not included in the Kansas City urban zone, Cedar, Clark, Clinton, Cole, Cooper, Daviess, DeKalb, the portion of Franklin County not included in the St. Louis urban zone, Gasconade, Gentry, Grundy, Harrison, Henry, Hickory, Holt, Howard, the portion of Jefferson County not included in the St. Louis urban zone, Johnson, Knox, Lafayette, Lewis, Lincoln, Livingston, Maries, Marion, Mercer, Miller, Moniteau, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Nodaway, Osage, Pettis, Phelps, Pike, the portion of Platte County not included in the Kansas City urban zone, Pulaski, Putnam, Ralls, Ray, Saline, Schuyler, Scotland, Shelby, St. Clair, Ste. Genevieve, Vernon, Warren, and Worth. No other antlered deer may be taken.

(A) An antler point is at least one inch (1") long from base to tip.

(B) The end of the main beam is a point.

(2) These special provisions apply to all deer hunting seasons and permittees, except during the youth portions of the firearms deer hunting season.

3 CSR 10-7.436 Deer: Managed Hunts

Additional deer may be taken at special managed deer hunts established annually by the department.
A person may apply for and participate in only one (1) managed deer hunt during a permit year except that persons permanently confined to a wheelchair may participate in more than one (1) hunt. Persons selected to participate must purchase a Resident or Nonresident Managed Deer Hunting Permit and abide by rules established for the hunt.

3 CSR 10-7.437 Deer: Antlerless Deer Hunting Permit Availability

(1) Archery Deer Hunting Season.

(A) Resident and Nonresident Archery Antlerless Deer Hunting Permits are not valid in the counties of: Butler, Carter, Dunklin, Iron, Mississippi, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Reynolds, Scott, and Stoddard.

(2) Firearms Deer Hunting Season.

(A) Resident and Nonresident Firearms Antlerless Deer Hunting Permits are not valid in the counties of: Bollinger, Butler, Cape Girardeau, Carter, Dunklin, Iron, Madison, Mississippi, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Reynolds, Scott, Stoddard, and Wayne except that resident landowners and lessees with seventy five (75) or more acres can each receive one (1) Resident Landowner Firearms Antlerless Deer Hunting Permit.

(B) Only one (1) Resident or Nonresident Firearms Antlerless Deer Hunting Permit per person may be filled in the counties of: Barry, Barton, the portion of Christian County not included in the Springfield urban zone, Crawford, Dade, Dent, Douglas, the portion of Franklin County not included in the St. Louis urban zone, Jasper, the portion of Jefferson County not included in the St. Louis urban zone, Lawrence, Maries, McDonald, Newton, Ozark, Perry, Phelps, Polk, Pulaski, Ripley, Shannon, St. Francois, Ste. Genevieve, Stone, Taney, Texas, Washington, Webster, and Wright.

(C) Any number of Resident or Nonresident Firearms Antlerless Deer Hunting Permits may be filled in the counties of: Adair, Andrew,

Atchison, Audrain, Bates, Benton, Boone, Buchanan, Caldwell, Callaway, Camden, Carroll, Cass, Cedar, Chariton, the portion of Christian County included in the Springfield urban zone, Clark, Clay, Clinton, Cole, Cooper, Dallas, Daviess, DeKalb, the portion of Franklin County included in the St. Louis urban zone, Gasconade, Gentry, Greene, Grundy, Harrison, Henry, Hickory, Holt, Howard, Howell, Jackson, the portion of Jefferson County included in the St. Louis urban zone, Johnson, Knox, Laclede, Lafayette, Lewis, Lincoln, Linn, Livingston, Macon, Marion, Mercer, Miller, Moniteau, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Nodaway, Oregon, Osage, Pettis, Pike, Platte, Putnam, Ralls, Randolph, Ray, St. Charles, St. Clair, St. Louis, Saline, Schuyler, Scotland, Shelby, Sullivan, Vernon, Warren, and Worth.

3 CSR 10-7.438 Deer: Regulations for Department Areas

Deer may be hunted on lands owned or leased by the department and on lands managed by the department under cooperative agreement as authorized in the current *Fall Deer & Turkey Hunting Regulations and Information* booklet, which is incorporated in this Code by reference. This booklet is published annually in August by, and a printed copy can be obtained from, the Missouri Department of Conservation, PO Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0180 and is also available online at **www.missouriconservation.org**. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions.

3 CSR 10-7.455 Turkeys: Seasons, Methods, Limits

(1) Turkeys may be pursued, taken, killed, possessed, or transported only as permitted in this rule.

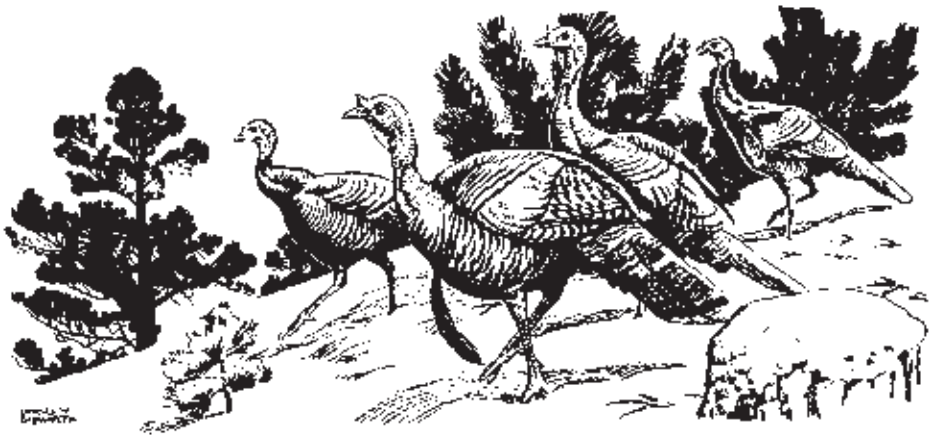
(A) Spring Season. Spring season annually will begin on the third Monday in April. A person possessing the prescribed turkey hunting permit may take turkeys according to the season length and bag limit established annually by the Conservation Commission. Turkeys may be taken only by shotgun, with shot no larger than No. 4, or bow, without the use of dogs, bait, electronic calls, or live decoys, from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to 1:00 p.m. Central Daylight Time (CDT). Possession of electronic calls or shotshells loaded with shot larger than No. 4 is prohibited while hunting turkeys.

(B) Fall Firearms Season. Fall season annually will be October 1 through October 31. A person possessing the prescribed turkey hunting permit may take two (2) turkeys of either sex during the season. Turkeys may be taken only by shotgun, with shot no larger than No. 4, or bow, without the use of dogs, bait, electronic calls, or live decoys; from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to sunset in all counties except: Dunklin, McDonald, Mississippi, New Madrid, Newton, Pemiscot, and Scott. Possession of electronic calls or shotshells loaded with shot larger than No. 4 is prohibited while hunting turkeys. A person, while in the act of pursuing or hunting turkey on a fall firearms permit, shall not have both a firearm and bow on his/her person with the following exceptions (Firearms possessed under these exceptions may not be used to take wildlife while hunting with a bow. Proof of this exception must be carried while hunting.):

1. Any person who has been issued a concealed carry endorsement on a driver license or non-driver license and such endorsement or license has not been suspended, revoked, canceled, or denied may carry concealed firearms on or about his/her person while hunting; and

2. Any qualified law enforcement officer or qualified retired law enforcement officer as defined in the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act (18 USC 296B or 18 USC 296C) may carry concealed firearms on or about his/her person while hunting.

(C) Fall Archery Season. A person possessing the prescribed archer's hunting permit may take two (2) turkeys of either sex from September 15 through January 15, excluding the dates of the November portion of the firearms deer season. Turkeys may be taken only by bows and atlatl; without the use of dogs, bait, electronic calls, or live decoys; from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to one-half (1/2) hour after sunset. An archer, while in the act of pursuing or hunting turkey on an archer's permit, shall not have a firearm on his/her person with the following exceptions (Firearms possessed under these exceptions may not be used to take

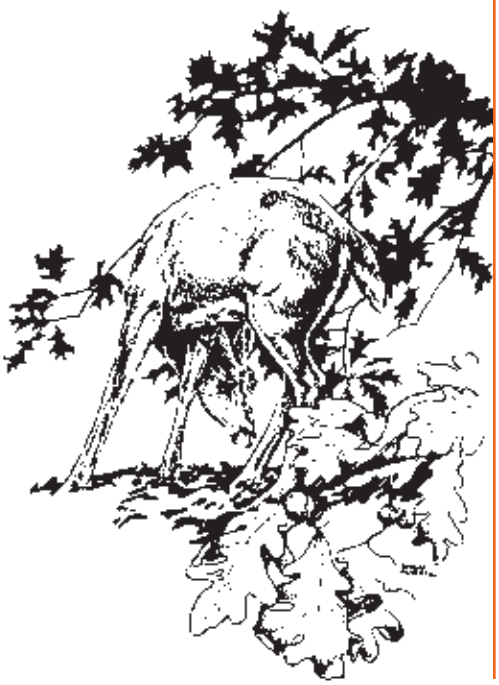


wildlife while hunting with a bow. Proof of this exception must be carried while hunting.):

1. Any person who has been issued a concealed carry endorsement on a driver license or non-driver license and such endorsement or license has not been suspended, revoked, canceled, or denied may carry concealed firearms on or about his/her person while hunting; and

2. Any qualified law enforcement officer or qualified retired law enforcement officer as defined in the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act (18 USC 296B or 18 USC 296C) may carry concealed firearms on or about his/her person while hunting. Possession of electronic calls is prohibited while hunting turkeys.

(D) Youth Spring Season. The two (2)-day youth spring season will begin annually on the Saturday nine (9) days prior to the Monday opening of the spring season, except that when the youth season would overlap with Easter weekend the season will open on the Saturday prior to Easter weekend. Any person possessing the prescribed turkey hunting permit and who is at least six (6) but not older than fifteen (15) years of age on the opening day of the youth spring season may take only one (1) male turkey or turkey with visible beard during the youth spring season. A turkey harvested during the youth spring season will count towards an individual's spring season bag limit; individuals hunting under the prescribed turkey hunting permit may not harvest a second bird during the first week of the spring season. Turkeys may be taken only by shotgun with shot no larger than No. 4, or bow, without the use of dogs, bait, electronic calls, or live decoys, from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to sunset. Possession of electronic calls or shotshells loaded with shot larger than No. 4 is prohibited while hunting turkeys.



(2) Hunters who take a turkey shall void their permit immediately by notching the month and date of harvest. The voided permit shall be attached to the turkey. Turkeys may be possessed and transported only by the taker until reported through the Telecheck Harvest Reporting System. All turkeys taken shall be accurately reported through the Telecheck Harvest Reporting System by 10:00 p.m. on the day taken by the taker or in the taker's immediate presence. The Telecheck confirmation number shall be recorded immediately on the turkey hunting permit as indicated on the permit. The head and plumage of the turkey shall remain intact until the turkey is reported through the Telecheck Harvest Reporting System. All turkeys shall be reported through the Telecheck Harvest Reporting System prior to processing or being removed from the state.

(3) Bait shall mean grain or other feed placed or scattered so as to constitute an attraction or enticement to turkeys. An area shall be considered baited for ten (10) days following complete removal of the bait.

(4) Each permit holder hunting with a shotgun shall first affix an approved safety sticker to the receiver of his/her gun where it will be in his/her line of sight when shooting, and maintain the sticker on the gun when hunting.

(5) A resident landowner or lessee as defined in 3 CSR 10-20.805, possessing a landowner turkey hunting permit, may take and possess turkeys in accordance with this rule on his/her land or, in the case of the lessee, on the land on which s/he resides and shall report the turkeys through the Telecheck Harvest Reporting System as required in this rule.

(6) Any person who kills or injures any wild turkey shall make a reasonable effort to retrieve the turkey and include it in his/her season limit.

(7) Turkeys (or parts thereof) reported in accordance with established procedures, when labeled with the full name, address, and confirmation number of the taker, may be possessed, transported, given away, and stored by anyone.

(8) In accordance with section 270.400, RSMo feral hogs (any hog, including Russian and European wild boar, that is not conspicuously identified by ear tags or other forms of identification and is roaming freely upon public or private lands without the landowner's permission) may be taken in any number during the spring firearms turkey season and youth spring season only by the holder of a valid unused turkey hunting permit and only by methods and times prescribed for taking turkeys. During the fall firearms turkey season, feral hogs may be taken only by the holder of a valid, unused turkey hunting permit or a small game hunting permit and only by methods prescribed in Chapter 7 for taking wildlife and without the use of bait. Other restrictions may apply on public lands. Resident landowners or lessees as defined in this Code may take feral hogs on their own property at any time, by any method, and without permit.

Sunrise and Sunset

Jefferson City—Central Standard Time*

	Sept. 2012		Oct. 2012		Nov. 2012		Dec. 2012		Jan. 2013	
	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set
DAY	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
1	6:38	7:38	7:05	6:51	7:36	6:08	7:08	4:48	7:26	4:59
2	6:39	7:36	7:06	6:49	7:37	6:07	7:09	4:48	7:27	5:00
3	6:40	7:35	7:07	6:48	7:38	6:06	7:10	4:48	7:27	5:00
4	6:41	7:33	7:08	6:46	6:39	5:05	7:11	4:47	7:27	5:01
5	6:42	7:32	7:09	6:45	6:40	5:04	7:12	4:47	7:27	5:02
6	6:43	7:30	7:10	6:43	6:41	5:03	7:12	4:47	7:27	5:03
7	6:44	7:29	7:11	6:42	6:42	5:02	7:13	4:47	7:27	5:04
8	6:45	7:27	7:12	6:40	6:44	5:01	7:14	4:47	7:27	5:05
9	6:45	7:26	7:12	6:39	6:45	5:00	7:15	4:48	7:26	5:06
10	6:46	7:24	7:13	6:37	6:46	5:59	7:16	4:48	7:26	5:07
11	6:47	7:22	7:14	6:36	6:47	4:58	7:17	4:48	7:26	5:08
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24	6:59	7:02	7:27	6:18	7:01	4:50	7:24	4:53	7:20	5:22
25	7:00	7:00	7:29	6:16	7:02	4:50	7:25	4:54	7:20	5:23
26	7:00	6:59	7:30	6:15	7:03	4:49	7:25	4:54	7:19	5:24
27	7:01	6:57	7:31	6:14	7:04	4:49	7:25	4:55	7:18	5:25
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29	7:03	6:54	7:33	6:12	7:06	4:48	7:26	4:56	7:17	5:28
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*Sunrise and sunset from Sept. 1 to Nov. 3 have been converted to daylight saving time.

These tables are for Jefferson City and points on the same longitude north and south. For locations east, subtract one minute for each 13.5 miles of airline distance. For locations west, add one minute for each 13.5 miles. For example, St. Louis is 106 miles east: subtract 8 minutes; Kansas City is 133 miles west: add 10 minutes.

To find the sunrise and sunset times in your area, visit **www.usno.navy.mil/USNO/astronomical-applications**.

2012–2013 Deer and Turkey Seasons at a Glance

Season	Dates	Locations	Methods	Required to wear hunter orange
Archery Deer and Turkey	Sept. 15–Nov. 9 Nov. 21, 2012–Jan. 15, 2013	Statewide	1, 2	In open areas during the urban zones, youth and antlerless portions
Firearms Deer Urban Zones Portion	Oct. 5–8	See pages 16–17 for zones	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	Yes
Firearms Turkey	Oct. 1–31	In 107 counties See Page 14	1, 8	Oct. 5–8 in areas open during urban zones portion
Firearms Deer Early Youth Portion	Nov. 3–4	Statewide	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	Yes
Firearms Deer November Portion	Nov. 10–20	Statewide	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	Yes
Firearms Deer Antlerless Portion	Nov. 21–Dec. 2	See Page 18	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	Yes
Firearms Deer Alternative Methods Portion	Dec. 15–25	Statewide	1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7	Yes
Firearms Deer Late Youth Portion	Dec. 29–30	Statewide	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	Yes

Methods

1. Long, compound or recurve bow
2. Atlatl
3. Centerfire rifle or shotgun (including .410) with slugs only
4. Centerfire pistol or revolver
5. Air-powered gun (see definition on Page 15)
6. Muzzleloading or cap-and-ball firearm .40 caliber or larger capable of firing only a single projectile
7. Crossbow
8. Shotgun only with shot not larger than No. 4

What's new for 2012?

- Chronic wasting disease (CWD) has been found in white-tailed deer in north-central Missouri. To slow the spread of CWD, a containment zone has been established, new regulations have been enacted, and hunters are urged to follow voluntary guidelines. See Page 2.
- Salt products, minerals and other consumable natural or manufactured products used to attract deer are now prohibited in the CWD Containment Zone of Adair, Chariton, Linn, Macon, Randolph and Sullivan counties. See Page 3.
- To slow the spread of CWD, counties in the CWD Containment Zone (Adair, Chariton, Linn, Macon, Randolph and Sullivan) no longer have an antler-point restriction. See Page 3.
- To offer hunters more opportunities during the muzzleloader portion of the firearms deer season, additional hunting methods are now allowed. These include archery methods, crossbows, atlatls, handguns and air-powered guns. The muzzleloader portion has been renamed "alternative methods portion" to better reflect this change. See Page 18.
- Atlatls can now be used during archery deer and turkey season. See Page 13.
- Hunters with developmental disabilities who have taken a hunter-education course but failed to pass the certification tests may now purchase firearms permits after obtaining an eligibility statement from the Department. They must carry this statement as proof of their disability and hunt in the immediate presence of a properly licensed hunter age 18 or older who is hunter-education certified or exempt by age.
- Any member of the U.S. military currently assigned as a patient to a Warrior Transition Brigade, Warrior Transition Unit or a military medical center may now purchase Missouri resident permits regardless of where they live. See Page 26.
- New managed deer hunts have been added and others have been modified. See pages 20–25.
- Deer and/or turkey hunting regulations have changed for several conservation areas. See pages 38–46.

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