



Individuals are not eligible for property only hunting firearm permits after applying for or receiving lottery firearm (shotgun) permits prior to August 14.

2012 RESIDENT FREE “PROPERTY ONLY HUNTING” FIREARM/ARCHERY DEER PERMIT APPLICATION

APPLICATION INFORMATION

- Free “Property Only Hunting” applications will be accepted as soon as they are available in late March. Firearm applications received after October 17 cannot be guaranteed a permit by the start of the first season (November 16). Archery applications received after September 1 will not be guaranteed a permit by the start of the archery season – October 1. Please assist us by applying early.
- You must use an official 2012 Department of Natural Resources Free “Property Only Hunting” Deer Permit application.
- A resident qualified individual is eligible for up to a maximum of 4 free permits: 2 free firearm and 2 free archery. Permits are not transferable.
- Individuals that apply for or receive Free Firearm Deer permits may apply in the first or second muzzleloader-only lottery.
- **RANDOM DAILY DRAWINGS** – Anyone may apply for any number of remaining permits issued from the first random daily drawing from applications received prior to and including August 14. Random daily drawings will be held up to September 10.
- **OVER THE COUNTER PERMIT SALES** – Permits remaining after the Random Daily Drawings will be available over-the-counter from license vendors beginning October 16 on a first-come, first-served basis. Permits will be sold until quotas are exhausted or until the close of the firearm deer season, whichever occurs first. Persons may purchase one or more permits during this period, subject to availability.

Combination archery deer permits will be available by August over-the-counter from license vendors, each consisting of one either-sex permit and one antlerless-only permit. Resident single either-sex archery permits are available by mail only from the Permit Office in Springfield. Applications will be available in mid July with a deadline of September 1.

SEASON DATES AND OPEN COUNTIES

Firearm: You may use either a shotgun, muzzleloader or a handgun with a firearm permit on November 16, 17 & 18 (first season) and November 29, 30 and December 1, 2 (second season). Cook, DuPage, Lake and that portion of Kane county east of State Route 47 are closed to firearm deer hunting.

Individuals with unfilled free property only hunting firearm permits may also use these permits with a muzzleloader during the muzzleloader-only season on December 7, 8 & 9 and the Late-Winter Firearm season (if the county is open) with a handgun, shotgun or muzzleloader on Dec. 27-30 and Jan. 18 - 20.

Archery: October 1 through January 20 in Cook, DuPage, Lake and that portion of Kane county east of State Route 47. In all other counties and that portion of Kane county west of State Route 47 the archery deer season is October 1 through January 20 **except that archery deer hunting is closed for the two firearm seasons** November 16, 17 & 18 and November 29, 30 and December 1, 2.

Archery deer hunting is open during the muzzleloader-only season (December 7, 8 & 9) and the Youth Firearm season (Oct. 6 & 7).

ELIGIBILITY

- Resident landowners, who own 40 acres or more of land, and resident tenants, of 40 acres or more of commercial agricultural lands may apply for a free permit to hunt the owned, leased or rented property ONLY. For the purposes of calculating acreage, the Department shall, after determining the total acreage of the applicable tract or tracts of land, round remaining fractional portions of an acre greater than or equal to half of an acre up to the next whole acre.
- A tenant is one who rents 40 acres or more land for commercial agricultural purposes under an agreement with a landowner. Commercial agriculture is defined as utilization of land for the raising of hay, grain crops or livestock for profit.
- Members of the immediate family (limited to the spouse, children and parents permanently residing on the same property as the landowner or tenant), of the landowner or tenant are also eligible to apply for a free Landowner/Tenant Deer permit.
- A hunting rights lease, or other non-agricultural lease, is not valid for a POH permit.
- If the property is owned or rented by more than one person: Only one landowner (and his immediate family) or one tenant (and his immediate family) will be issued a permit for every 40 acres of owned or rented land. For example, if 3 persons own 90 acres, only 2 of the landowners and their immediate family may receive deer permits.
- **Shareholders of corporations/members of LLCs/trusts/partners of partnerships applicants–see application instruction #3.**

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

- Please call 217-782-7305 if you have any questions. Department of Natural Resources information is available to the hearing impaired by calling DNR’s TTY: 217-782-9175.

- 1 For Landowner Permit – check one box.
- 2 For Tenant Permit – check one box and tenant must affix signature. The tenant is required to submit, in addition to the landowner certification and proof of ownership, a copy of one of the following documents:
 - a. Submittal of a **copy** of a lease or rental agreement, file stamped as recorded by the County Clerk, covering the current year.
 - b. Submittal of a **copy** of a Farm Service Agency 156 EZ form.

ORIGINALS WILL NOT BE RETURNED.

- 3 For Corporation/LLC /Trust – check one box.
Bona fide equity shareholders of corporations, bona fide equity members of limited liability companies, or bona fide current income beneficiaries of trusts owning 40 or more acres of land

in a county may apply for one permit to hunt the corporation, limited liability company, or trust lands only. Only one permit per 40 acres, for a maximum number of 15 permits per county for corporations, trusts, and limited liability companies shall be issued based on ownership of lands by corporations, limited liability companies or trusts. Lands leased to corporations, limited liability companies or trusts shall not be considered as a basis for a permit for the shareholders/members/beneficiaries of the lessee. Lands held in trust by corporations, or limited liability companies shall not be considered as a basis for a permit by the shareholders/members of the trustee. If application is made for a permit based upon lands owned by the corporation, limited liability company or trust, a duly authorized officer of the corporation, limited liability company or trust, must sign a notarized statement authorizing the applicant to hunt on the corporate, company, or trust lands for which a permit is being requested. This statement must identify the applicant as a bona fide equity shareholder, member or beneficiary, as defined in this subsection, identify authorization to hunt and identify that no more than 15 authorizations will be requested per county for the corporation, limited liability company, or trust lands. In addition: a) Corporation applicants must submit a copy of ownership interest in a for-profit corporation with a fully-executed stock certificate, articles of incorporation, corporate agreement, resolution or minutes; b) limited liability company applicants must submit a copy of the limited liability company’s articles of organization or the operating agreement; c) limited partnerships, limited liability limited partners, and limited liability partnership applicants must submit a copy of the partnership agreement, certificate of partnership or statement of qualification; and d) general partnership applicants must submit a copy of the partnership agreement. These documents must be attached to the application upon submittal to the Permit Office as well as proof of landownership by the corporation/L.L.C./Trust/Partnership.

Bona fide equity shareholder means an individual who:

- A) purchased, for market price, publicly sold stock shares in a corporation; purchased shares of a privately-held corporation for a value equal to the percentage of the appraised value of the corporate assets represented by the ownership in the corporation; or is a member of a closely-held family-owned corporation and has purchased or been gifted with shares of stock in the corporation accurately reflecting his or her percentage of ownership; and
- B) intends to retain the ownership of the shares of stock for at least 5 years.

Bona fide equity member means an individual who:

- A) became a member upon the formation of the limited liability company; or has purchased a distributional interest in a limited liability company for a value equal to the percentage of the appraised value of the limited liability company assets represented by the distributional interest in the limited liability company and subsequently becomes a member of the company pursuant to Article 30 of the Limited Liability Company Act; and B) intends to retain the membership for at least 5 years.

Bona fide current income beneficiary means an individual who; at the time of application for a permit, is entitled to income (whether income exists or not) from the trust which owns the land the applicant wishes to hunt with no condition precedent (such as surviving another person, reaching a certain age, etc.) other than the trustee distributing the income, and is listed by name in the trust documents as an income beneficiary.

You must submit a **copy** of a trust agreement which must indicate that the trust owns at least 40 acres and the applicant is a current income beneficiary of the trust.

- 4 You must check one box to indicate your permit choice.
- 5 Your social security number or DNR Direct customer number.
- 6 Your name and complete address.
- 7 County in which you reside.
- 8 Your date of birth (month, day, year)
- 9 A legal description of the land.
- 10 The landowner must provide proof of ownership through one of the following methods:
 - a. Submittal of a **copy** of a property deed;
 - b. Submittal of a **copy** of a contract for deed;
 - c. Submittal of a **copy** of the most recent real estate tax statement for the property (upon which the landowner’s name appears);
 - d. Submittal of a **copy** of a Farm Service Agency 156 EZ form; or
 - e. Submittal of a **copy** of a trust agreement which must indicate that the trust owns at least 40 acres and the applicant is a current income beneficiary of the trust.

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- 11 Landowner must affix signature for all applications.
- 12 APPLICANT’S SIGNATURE/PHONE NUMBER. The application must be signed by the individual whose name is on the application. PLEASE GIVE US A PHONE NUMBER where you may be reached on weekdays.

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THIS AREA FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

- 1** I AM THE LANDOWNER OR I AM THE:
- SPOUSE Of the Landowner,
 CHILD permanently residing
 PARENT on the same property
as the Landowner.

- 2** I AM THE TENANT OR I AM THE:
- SPOUSE Of the Tenant,
 CHILD permanently residing
 PARENT on the same property
as the Tenant.

(See instruction #2 and attach COPIES of necessary documents)

TENANT'S SIGNATURE

I declare under penalty of perjury that the box checked is true and accurate.

- 3** I AM A SHAREHOLDER OF A CORPORATION
 I AM A MEMBER OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

- I AM A CURRENT INCOME BENEFICIARY OF A TRUST
 I AM A PARTNER OF A PARTNERSHIP

(See instruction #3 and attach COPIES of necessary documents.)

4 I am applying for:

A 2 ARCHERY (1 ES & 1 AO)

B 2 FIREARM (1 ES & 1 AO)

C 2 ARCHERY (1 ES & 1 AO) and 2 FIREARM (1 ES & 1 AO)

Firearm antlerless-only permits ARE NOT AVAILABLE to shareholders of corporations, members of limited liability companies and partners of a partnership for the following counties: Ford, Kankakee, Kendall and Pope.

5 You must enter your Social Security Number OR DNR Direct Customer Number.

Disclosure of applicant's SSN is mandatory pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 666(a)(13) and 5 ILCS 100/10-65(c) for use under the State's child support enforcement program.

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

DNR DIRECT CUSTOMER NUMBER (This number is located above your name on your DNR license.)

____-____-____ OR ____-____-____

6 LAST NAME

FIRST NAME

MIDDLE INITIAL

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

7 COUNTY OF RESIDENCE

8 DATE OF BIRTH

MONTH	DAY	YEAR
____	____	____

9 LAND DESCRIPTION: The land is located in:

COUNTY	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE	NUMBER OF ACRES
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

10 PROOF OF LANDOWNERSHIP (See application instruction #10 and attach COPIES of necessary documents.)

11 LANDOWNER'S SIGNATURE

I certify that the applicant meets the eligibility requirements for a "property only hunting" permit.

12 APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER

____-____-____

I certify to the truth of all statements including but not limited to residency, hunter education and not being delinquent on a child support order and further certify that the privilege(s) applied for have not been suspended in this state, or by any other state or federal agency.

Mail Application and Required Documents to:



ILLINOIS FREE "POH" DEER PERMIT
One Natural Resources Way
P.O. Box 19227
Springfield, IL 62794-9227

HABITAT STAMP: Before any person 16 years of age or older takes, attempts to take, or pursues any species of wildlife protected by the Wildlife Code, except migratory waterfowl, coots, and hand-reared birds on licensed game breeding and hunting preserve areas and state controlled pheasant hunting areas, he or she shall first obtain a State Habitat Stamp. Disabled veterans and former prisoners of war shall not be required to obtain State Habitat Stamps. Any person who obtained a Lifetime License before January 1, 1993, shall not be required to obtain a State Habitat Stamp. All resident landowners or tenants that do not reside on the property must possess a valid Hunting, Sportsmen's or Apprentice license.



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