

# 2015 - Private Land Youth Turkey Hunt

## Illinois Recreational Access Program – IRAP

### Information and Application Instructions



The 2015 Private Land Youth Turkey Hunts will take place on private property leased by IDNR during **Spring Youth Season, Regular Season 3 and Season 4**. Access has been provided through the cooperation of landowners and the hard work of the IL Dept of Natural Resources and the National Wildlife Turkey Federation volunteers. Participating in this program is a special privilege. Please be respectful, ethical, and safe hunters.

### Eligibility

#### A youth must:

1. Not have reached their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday by the start of the Turkey Season for which they are applying for.
2. Have completed a Department-approved Hunter Education Course and, if possible, possess a Firearms Owners Identification Card (FOID) card.
3. Have a “supervising non-hunting adult” (parent, legal guardian, or adult authorized by a parent or legal guardian) accompany the youth hunter throughout the entire hunting experience and the non-hunting adult possess a FOID card if the youth hunter does not have one.
4. Have a valid IDNR Turkey Hunting permit for Youth Season or Season 3 or 4 for the county in which they have applied for; a hunting license and habitat stamp.

### Application Process

- Individuals may submit up to three applications, each for a different IRAP turkey hunting season (Youth, Regular 3 and/or 4) but will only be issued one IRAP site permit **per season**.
- Legibly provide all of the data requested on the application including: hunting license ID number (if applicable), full name, date of birth, address, phone number, signature, and email address.
- If the youth turkey hunter will NOT be accompanied by a parent/legal guardian, authorization allowing another adult to accompany the hunter must be given by the parent/legal guardian (attachment C).
- Review and sign the *Release and Waiver of Liability* form stating that the parent/legal guardian assumes any and all risks associated with IRAP's Private Land Spring Youth Turkey Hunt. This form must be signed by the youth turkey hunter, the parent/legal guardian of the youth hunter, the non-hunting supervising adult (if different than parent/legal guardian), and notarized.
- The completed *Application* (Attachment A), *Release and Waiver of Liability* (Attachment B), and *Authorization Form* (Attachment C, if applicable), must be received by email, mail, fax or hand delivery at least four weeks prior to the applied for hunting season.

### Rules and Regulations

- Each youth hunter/adult pair will be assigned a hunting area on private land. They will be provided a map and parking permit that allows them special access to the specific hunting site. The site will be marked with a sign for parking and possibly purple paint around property perimeter.
- You may have up to seven (7) days prior to youth season to do any pre-season preparation such as scouting on the private property you are assigned to hunt on.
- The youth hunter/adult pair is expected to adhere to all Federal, State and local laws and regulations, including those laws and regulations referenced in the 2013-2014 Illinois Digest of Hunting and Trapping Regulations, be prepared with appropriate clothing, gear, firearm, etc., and have necessary valid permits and licenses available for inspection while hunting.

### Other Important Information

- For Youth Spring Turkey Season only, IRAP staff will hold a lottery, if necessary, for specific counties, approx. 4 weeks prior to the first day of spring youth turkey season.
- For Regular Spring Season 3 and 4, applicants will be assigned an IRAP hunting area on a first come, first serve basis to youth with a valid turkey permit for the specific county they are applying for. Youth are encouraged to apply for *EARLY* for a season 3 and/or 4 turkey permit in IDNR's lottery system.
- Only those successful applicants will be notified by mail or e-mail

**Firearms Safety - All IRAP youth turkey hunt participants must have completed firearm safety training before the day of the hunt.**

### 2015 Dates for IRAP Youth Turkey Hunting:

Youth Turkey Season:	March 28-29 (south zone)	April 4-5 (north zone)
Regular Season 3:	April 17-22 (south zone)	April 24-29 (north zone)
Regular Season 4:	April 23-29 (south zone)	April 30 - May 6 (north zone)

### Information

For more information on this and other Illinois Recreational Access Programs (IRAP) visit the website at: [www.dnr.illinois.gov/conservation/IRAP](http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/conservation/IRAP)

Or contact **Tammy Miller**, IRAP Program Manager

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Phone: 217-524-1266 or [Tammy.Miller@illinois.gov](mailto:Tammy.Miller@illinois.gov)

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**-Application-**

*Attachment A*

Circle Turkey Season applying for:                    *SPRING YOUTH*                    *REGULAR SEASON 3*                    *REGULAR SEASON 4*

*Youth may apply for all three IRAP turkey hunting access seasons per year. Please fill out application for each season applied for.*

**YOUTH INFORMATION** *(must be completed):*

For spring youth season *only* First County Choice? \_\_\_\_\_ Second County Choice? \_\_\_\_\_

Name: First: \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_ Last: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Hunter Safety Certificate Number: \_\_\_\_\_ (youth must have completed and passed a hunter-class prior to hunt)

Firearm Owner I.D. Card (F.O.I.D) Number: \_\_\_\_\_.

If hunting regular season 3 or 4, have you applied for your turkey permit through IDNR? YES or NO. If yes, do you have your permit? If so, what is your Turkey Permit #? \_\_\_\_\_ what County? \_\_\_\_\_

Is this your first time hunting turkey before? (Circle) YES or NO.

Have you hunted turkey through the IRAP program before? YES or NO. If yes, what county(s) \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the IRAP youth turkey hunting program? \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN INFORMATION** *(must be completed):*

Name: First: \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_ Last: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to youth hunter (above) : \_\_\_\_\_

Firearm Owner I.D. Card (F.O.I.D) Number: \_\_\_\_\_.

**NON-HUNTING SUPERVISING ADULT INFORMATION** *(if different than above):*

Name: First: \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_ Last: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to youth hunter (above) : \_\_\_\_\_

Firearm Owner I.D. Card (F.O.I.D) Number: \_\_\_\_\_.

Attached is a completed NON-HUNTING SUPERVISING ADULT AUTHORIZATION Form, attachment C.

*Please note: Non-hunting supervising adult accompanying the youth turkey hunter is required to have a valid FOID card.*

*See reverse side. Read and sign.*

Please read and sign below:

I understand that hunting is a sport involving firearms. Firearms, when mishandled, can be dangerous. Further, I understand that it is my responsibility to use the utmost care in the exercise of hunting and firearm safety. I will leave the landowner's property in as good condition as found, I will not litter, cut trees, trespass or cause harm or damage to the property. I will leave the property as I found it. I intend to do so and realize that I have a duty to do so.

I further realize that the State of Illinois, Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR), the National Wild Turkey Federation and the private landowner(s), their members, agents, employees, licensees, volunteers, and associates are participating in this hunting opportunity to give me a quality outdoor experience.

I have read this document, and I understand its contents. I realize it is a privilege to participate in the IRAP Private Land Spring Youth Turkey Hunt and accordingly I will conduct myself in a safe manner consistent with all duties, which I have heretofore recognized.

I agree to abide by all federal, state and local laws and regulations. I have reviewed, am familiar with, and agree to abide by the laws, rules and regulations contained in the 2013-2014 Illinois Digest of Hunting and Trapping Regulations applicable to this hunting activity.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Signature (required)

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature (required)

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervising Adult Signature (if different than Parent/Legal Guardian)

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(For office use only)

Date application received: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Is the application complete? (Circle) YES or NO

Is the *Release and Waiver of Liability* form signed and attached? (Circle) YES or NO

Is an *Authorization* form signed and attached? (Circle) YES or NO or N/A (same as parent/legal guardian)

Notes:

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Mail your completed application to:  
IL Dept. of Natural Resources  
Tammy Miller, IRAP Program Manager  
One Natural Resources, Way Springfield, IL 62702

