





# 2018 NON-RESIDENT "PROPERTY ONLY HUNTING" SPRING WILD TURKEY PERMIT APPLICATION

## APPLICATION INFORMATION

- "Property Only Hunting" applications will be accepted as soon as they are available. The official deadline date to apply is March 9, 2018.
- **FEE** - the fee for a non-resident POH spring wild turkey permit is \$37.50.
- Permits are not transferable. Individuals may receive only one POH permit.
- A permit allows the holder to hunt with either a shotgun or bow and arrow.
- If you choose to apply in the lotteries (and receive a permit) you **CANNOT** apply later for a landowner permit.
- Eligible individuals who obtain a permit to hunt their owned property (or a lottery permit) may apply for one additional lottery permit (\$125 each). Additional permit opportunities are explained on a Non-resident Spring Turkey Hunting application.
- It shall be unlawful to:
  - Submit applications before the second lottery for more than one permit for the same person; submit applications before the third lottery for more than two permits for the same person; receive more than three permits for the spring turkey season. Violations of these provisions will result in all applications being rejected, or permits revoked, and fees forfeited.

## ELIGIBILITY

- You must use an official 2018 Non-Resident Property Only Hunting Spring Wild Turkey Permit application form. If you use a previous year's application form, it will be **RETURNED**.
- For the purposes of establishing eligibility for property only hunting permits, 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 [520 ILCS 5/2.26].
- If the property is owned by more than one person, only one landowner (and his immediate family) will be issued permits for every 40 acres of owned or rented land. For example, if three persons own 90 acres, only two of the landowners and their immediate families may receive permits. Members of the immediate family are limited to the spouse, children or parents permanently residing on the same property as the landowner.

**Proof of land ownership for ALL applications** must be provided by submitting a copy (ORIGINALS WILL NOT BE RETURNED) of one of the following:

- recorded property deed;
- recorded contract for deed;
- most recent real estate tax statement for property (upon which the landowners name and acreage appears);
- current Farm Service Agency 156 EZ form;
- copy of trust agreement indicating current beneficiary of trust.

## For Corporations/LLCs/Trusts

Bona fide equity shareholders of corporations, bona fide equity members of LLCs, and 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, LLC, or trust lands only. Only one permit per 40 acres, for a maximum number of 15 permits per county for corporations, trusts, and LLCs shall be issued based on ownership of lands by corporations, LLCs, or trusts. Lands leased to corporations, LLCs, or trusts shall not be considered as a basis for a permit of the lessee. Lands held in trust by corporations and LLCs 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, LLC, or trust a duly authorized officer of the corporation, LLC, or trust must sign a notarized statement authorizing the applicant to hunt on the corporate, LLC, 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, LLC, or trust lands .

## **IN ADDITION TO landowner proof, the following documents must be attached to the application upon submittal to the DNR Permit Office.**

**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.

Bona fide equity shareholder means an individual who:

- 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;
- Intends to retain the ownership of the shares of stock for at least 5 years.

**Limited Liability Company** applicants must submit a copy of the LLC's articles of organization or the operating agreement.

Bona fide equity member means an individual who:

- Became a member upon the formation of the LLC; or has purchased a distributional interest in an Illinois limited liability company for a value equal to the percentage of the appraised value of the LLC assets represented by the distributional interest in the LLC and subsequently becomes a member of the company pursuant to Article 30 of the Limited Liability Company Act; and
- Intends to retain the membership for at least 5 years.
- Members of Foreign LLCs must include the latest, file-stamped, filing with the Illinois Secretary of State as part of the application for a permit.

**Trust** applicants must submit a copy of a trust agreement, which must indicate that the trust owns at least 40 acres and the applicant is listed by name as a current income beneficiary of the trust.

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.)

## HUNTING ZONES

- Northern Zone includes that portion of Illinois north of Crawford, Jasper, Effingham, Fayette, Bond, and Madison Counties. Southern Zone includes the remainder of the state.
- A spring wild turkey POH permit is valid for the entire 32 days encompassed by the five seasons in either the Northern or Southern zones (depending upon where your land is located), but allows the taking of only one wild turkey.