

# 2023 ILLINOIS RESIDENT MUZZLELOADER-ONLY DEER HUNTING PERMIT APPLICATION

FOR BANK USE ONLY

**1 SELECT ONLY ONE BOX BELOW** Applications received after a deadline date will be entered into the next application period.

- First Lottery: 03/07/23 - 04/30/23**  
 Limit 1 application  
 Landowner firearm deer applicants/  
 permit recipients MAY apply.
- Second Lottery: 5/11/23 - 6/30/23**  
 Limit 1 application  
 Lottery 1 permit recipients not eligible  
 to apply
- Third Lottery: 7/11/23 - 8/18/23**  
 No Group Hunts



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**2 PERMIT TYPE: SELECT ONLY ONE BOX BELOW**

If applying for one of the following counties, you may *only* select Option (A) One Either-Sex \$29.

**AO permits are not issued for:** Alexander, Champaign, Douglas, Edwards, Ford, Greene, Iroquois, Logan, Macon, Mason, Massac, Morgan, Moultrie, Piatt, Pope, Pulaski, Scott, Tazewell and Wabash Counties.

- A) One Either-Sex \$29**
 **B) One Either-Sex & One Antlerless-Only (Combo) \$46.50**
 **C) One SHA Antlerless-Only \$29 (Only for Horseshoe Lake, Lake Shelbyville Projects, Sangchris Lake, Starved Rock, and Wards Grove)**
 **D) One Antlerless-Only \$21.50 (Issued ONLY in Third Lottery)**

FIRST CHOICE of County or Special Hunt Area

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SECOND CHOICE of County or Special Hunt Area (Optional)

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**APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE:**

*I certify to the truth of all, including, but not limited to, state residency. By signing this application, I certify that I am not delinquent on a child support order. I further certify that the privileges applied for have not been suspended in this state, or by any other state or federal agency.*

Please enter your Social Security Number *OR* your IDNR Customer Number

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This area for Group Hunt Applications only. No Group Hunt Applications in Lottery 3.

GROUP LEADER'S LAST NAME

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GROUP LEADER'S FIRST NAME

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GROUP LEADER'S CUSTOMER ID NUMBER (Required)

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Up to 6 individuals may apply to hunt as a group. All individuals in the group must pre-select a group leader, and each application for the group MUST have IDENTICAL choices for the application period, hunt locations & seasons, and group leader information. Illinois residents are given preference for permits allocated in lotteries; therefore, groups containing both resident and non-resident applicants will be treated as non-resident applications. No Group Hunts allowed in Third Lottery.

Make checks payable to IDNR. Mail application and payment to:

ILLINOIS MUZZLELOADER-ONLY DEER PERMIT  
 One Natural Resources Way  
 PO Box 19445  
 Springfield, IL 62794-9445

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YOU CANNOT USE THIS APPLICATION TO APPLY FOR A FIREARM PERMIT.

**Muzzleloader-Only Season Dates: Dec. 8 - 10, 2023**

(Hunters may also use a muzzleloader permit with a muzzleloading rifle during Second Firearm Deer Season Nov. 30; Dec. 1, 2 & 3, 2023)

All counties are open to muzzleloader deer hunting except Cook, DuPage, Lake and that portion of Kane county east of State Route 47.

- Permits are not transferable.
- **OVER-THE-COUNTER SALES:** Muzzleloader permits remaining after the Third Lottery Drawing will be available over the counter from agents designated by the Department (pursuant to 17 Ill. Adm. Code 2520) beginning October 17 on a first-come, first-served basis. Permits will be sold until quotas are exhausted, or until the close of the muzzleloader deer season, whichever occurs first. Persons may purchase one or more permits during this period, subject to availability.

**MUZZLELOADER:** The only legal hunting device is a single- or double-barreled muzzleloading rifle of at least .45 caliber shooting a single projectile through a barrel of at least 16 inches in length; A muzzleloading rifle is defined as a rifle into which the projectile is incapable of being inserted from the breech end. The minimum size of the muzzleloading rifle projectile shall be .44 caliber. A wad or sleeve is not considered a projectile or a part of the projectile. Non-expanding, military-style full metal jacket bullets cannot be used to harvest white-tailed deer; only soft point or expanding bullets (including copper/copper alloy rounds de-signed for hunting) are legal ammunition. Only black powder or a "black powder substitute" such as Pyrodex may be used. Modern smokeless powders (nitrocellulose-based) are an approved black powder substitute only in muzzleloading rifles that are specifically designed for their use. Only percussion (cap or primer), wheellock, matchlock, flintlock or electronic ignition may be used.

**Special Hunt Areas:** Special hunts held on federal or state lands are regulated by the agency which manages the property. Some of these areas are included in the lotteries (see list below). If you wish to apply for a permit to hunt one of these areas, enter the abbreviated name of the area on your application. **Special Hunt Area permits are not valid anywhere else in the county. County permits are not valid for the Special Hunt Areas listed on this application.** For more information regarding locations and requirements of Special Hunt Areas only, call the Division of Wildlife Resources at **217-782-6384**.

SPECIAL HUNT AREA NAME	DATES OPEN	COUNTY LOCATION	ENTER CODE
Apple River Canyon SP - Thompson & Salem Units (7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	JoDaviess	ARCSP
Burning Star SFWA (7)	Muzzleloader Season Dates	Jackson	BSSFVA
Butterfield Trail SRA (7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Iroquois	BTSRA
Carlyle Lake SFWA - East Fork Unit	Muzzleloader Season Dates	Clinton	CLSFVA
Castle Rock SP (6)(7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Ogle	CRSP
Cedar Glen SNA (7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Hancock	CGSNA
Clinton Lake SRA (North Fork Mgmt. Unit, N. of County Rd. at North Fork boat ramp)(7)	Muzzleloader Season Dates	Dewitt	CLSRA
Delair Division, Great River National Wildlife Refuge	<b>Jan. 13 &amp; 14, 2024 ONLY</b>	Pike	DELAIR
Embaras River Bottoms SHA (7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Lawrence	EMBARM
Fort Massac State Park (7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Massac	FMSP
French Bluff SNA (7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Carroll	FBSNA
Goose Lake Prairie SNA/Heidecke SFWA (2)(6)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Grundy	GLPH
Hanover Bluff SNA (7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	JoDaviess	HBSNA
Harry "Babe" Woodyard (7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Vermilion	HBWSNA
Hidden Springs SF (7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Shelby	HIDDEN
Horseshoe Lake SFWA - Madison (Antlerless deer only. Box 2C \$29)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Madison	HLSP
Jim Edgar Panther Creek SFWA -Open Unit (7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Cass	JEPC
Jubilee College SP (2)(6)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Peoria	JCSP
Kickapoo State Recreation Area (7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Vermilion	KSRA
Lake Shelbyville Project (7)(8) (Antlerless deer only. Check Box 2C \$29)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Moultrie	LSPMOU
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Mackinaw River SFWA (2)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Tazewell	MRFWA
Marseilles FWA (2)(6)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	LaSalle	MFWAM
Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie (2)(12)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Will	MNTP
Middle Fork SFWA (7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Vermilion	MFFWA
Prairie Ridge SNA (7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Jasper	PRSNA
Rail Woods SNA (7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	JoDaviess	RALL
Sahara Woods SRA (7)	Muzzleloader Season Dates	Saline	SWSFWA
Sangamon County CA	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Sangamon	SCCAM
Sanganois SFWA (7)(11)	Muzzleloader Season Dates	Cass/Mason	SSFVA
Sangchris Lake SP (2)(9) (Antlerless deer only. Check Box 2C \$29)	<b>Nov. 30; Dec 1, 2, &amp; 3 ONLY</b>	Sangamon/Christian	SLSPM
Siloam Springs State Park (4)(7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Adams/Brown	SSSPM
Spoon River SF (7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	Knox	SRSF
Starved Rock SP- includes, Matthiessen SP, Margery C. Carlson SNA, Mitchell's Grove SNA and Sandy Ford SNA (2)(6)(10) (Antlerless deer only. Check Box 2C \$29)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	LaSalle	SRSP
Tapley Woods SNA (7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	JoDaviess	TWSNA
Wards Grove NP (7) (Antlerless deer only. Check Box 2C \$29)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	JoDaviess	WGNP
Winston Tunnel SNA (7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	JoDaviess	WTSNA
Witkowsky SWA (7)	Dec. 8, 9 & 10 ONLY	JoDaviess	WSWA

- (2) Check-in, check-out and reporting of harvest is required.
- (4) Only antlerless deer or antlered deer having at least four points on one side may be harvested.
- (6) Standby permits available on site. Permit holders must register at the site by 5 a.m. each day of the hunt. Unvalidated permits void after 5 a.m.
- (7) Windshield Card required.
- (8) For Corps of Engineers-managed lands not managed by IDNR, contact COE, Lake Shelbyville office for specific deer hunting policy.
- (9) Hunting will begin the first day at legal shooting time and at 10:30 a.m. on all other days of the season.
- (10) Hunters must take an antlerless deer on the site during the current year firearm or muzzleloader season before they will be issued an either-sex standby permit. Hunters must check antlerless deer with site staff for verification to participate in the bonus buck program.
- (11) Ash Swale Waterfowl Rest Area closed to deer hunting during waterfowl hunting seasons.
- (12) An additional site hunting pass is required.