



**City of Hudson, Ohio**

**CONTROLLED DEER HUNTING PROGRAM**

**Hunting Permit Application Packet**

**2019-2020**

## City of Hudson Controlled Deer Hunting Guidelines

The purpose of this attachment is to make available a wildlife management plan that will provide guidelines and information to residents and non-residents who wish to comply with the Hudson Deer Hunting Ordinance #11-105.

It shall be lawful to hunt deer, for the purpose of population management, only within the corporation limits of Hudson subject to all of the following terms and conditions:

1. Hunting shall be confined to an area of at least five (5) acres. Owners of property less than five (5) acres may join together, provided the properties to be joined are contiguous and not separated by a road and no more than two (2) residential dwellings exist on the five (5) acres and all such owners agree in writing that hunting will take place upon their combined properties.
2. No person shall hunt or take deer by any means except a crossbow and bolt, or a bow and arrow, per the Ohio Division of Wildlife's deer hunting guidelines relative to archery hunting.
3. If the person is not the fee title owner of the land upon which deer shall be hunted or taken, then written permission of the fee title landowner(s) must be secured and be carried with the HUNTER at all times while on the land to be hunted.
4. Any non-landowner who hunts or takes deer must first apply to the Chief of Police or his designee for a hunting authorization permit. A permit shall be issued only after the following:
  - a) determination that the applicant has secured all necessary State licenses and permits;
  - b) written permission of the fee title owner(s) of the land upon which deer shall be hunted is obtained; and
  - c) proof of having passed an archery proficiency test is provided. *If you participated in the 2018-2019 Hudson Deer Hunting Program season, you do not need to provide a passing archery proficiency test. If you **skipped a year** or are a **new hunter**, a passing archery proficiency test must be submitted along with your application.*
  - d) proof of personal liability insurance of \$100,000 or greater.
5. The following providers are listed for your convenience to obtain an archery proficiency test:
  - a) Fine Feather Fur Outfitters, 18030 Bagley Road, Middleburg Heights, OH 44130  
440-243-9400
  - b) Great Hunt Outfitters, 1375 Ridge Road, Hinckley, OH 44233  
330-278-7522
  - c) The Complete Hunter's Outlet, 1320 S.R. 43, Mogadore, OH 44260  
330-628-1457
6. Property owners who wish to hunt on only their own property will need a Hudson hunting permit and must comply with all applicable laws and regulations to cull or take deer on their own property.
7. Any person who hunts deer shall comply with the regulations and guidelines as listed by the Ohio Division of Wildlife.

(For Hunter's Records)

## **Hunter Procedure**

1. The hunter must complete all necessary agreements with the fee title landowner(s) on whose property he/she wishes to hunt, and return signed to the Hudson Police Department.
2. The hunter must purchase all necessary State of Ohio hunting licenses and deer permits. ***Legible photocopy must be returned with the completed packet.***
3. The hunter must provide proof of archery proficiency with a State approved target. *If you participated in the 2018-2019 Hudson Deer Hunting Program season, you do not need to provide a passing archery proficiency test. If you **skipped a year** or are a **new** hunter, a passing archery proficiency test must be submitted along with your application.*
4. The hunter must provide a copy of the declaration page of their homeowner's or renter's insurance policy which demonstrates at least \$100,000.00 of personal liability insurance coverage.
5. A legible photo copy of the applicant's driver's license or State identification must be submitted with the completed packet.

Upon completion of steps 1-5, the City may issue the hunter a City hunting permit, a parking permit, and City deer management permits.

***The prospective hunter must comply with all State of Ohio regulations in addition to all provisions set forth by the City of Hudson Controlled Hunting Program.***

(For Hunter's Records)

**City of Hudson, Ohio**  
**Controlled Deer Hunting Permit Checklist**

Hunters must supply the following documents:

- property owner's permission and agreement form
- photocopy of Ohio Hunting license
- photocopy of antlered or antlerless deer permit
- photocopy of driver's license or State identification card
- photocopy of personal liability insurance coverage declaration page (minimum \$100,000)
- proof of archery proficiency test with passing score

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## City of Hudson Hunting Agreement

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and dates first written below. I have read, understand, and agree to all of the following conditions.

**PROPERTY OWNER** (print name) \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

**HUNTER** (print name) \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_  previous Hudson Controlled Deer Program hunter

WHEREAS, the PROPERTY OWNER wishes to permit the HUNTER to hunt on the below referenced property in accordance with Hudson Codified Ordinance Chapter 1074 Deer Hunting, and  
WHEREAS, said property upon which said hunting shall be permitted is as follows:

Hunting Property Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Hudson, OH 44236

Size of Property in Acres: \_\_\_\_\_

WHEREAS, the PROPERTY OWNER and HUNTER wish to set forth herein the terms and conditions under which the hunting shall take place.

1. The PROPERTY OWNER hereby grants permission to the HUNTER to hunt the above referenced PROPERTY OWNER'S land during the State of Ohio Division of Wildlife Archery Season; provided that the terms and conditions set forth herein below are satisfied:
  - a. The HUNTER shall provide proof of passing an archery proficiency test.
  - b. The HUNTER shall have a valid hunting license and special deer permits as required by the State of Ohio Division of Wildlife regulations.
  - c. The HUNTER shall execute this agreement and have in the HUNTER'S possession a copy of this agreement providing permission to hunt the above referenced land.
  - d. The HUNTER agrees to park his/her motor vehicle in areas designated by the PROPERTY OWNER and place notification and an ID form on the windshield of said vehicle while hunting.
  - e. As a responsible HUNTER, the HUNTER agrees to conduct himself/herself in a legal and ethical manner as a guest on the PROPERTY OWNER'S land. The HUNTER agrees to respect the PROPERTY OWNER'S land as if it were his or her own; not to litter and to leave property in the condition as the HUNTER found it.
  - f. The HUNTER shall not hunt within 250 feet of an occupied building or residence/home without the written permission of the City of Hudson and the PROPERTY OWNER or lessee of said PROPERTY.
  - g. The HUNTER agrees to report any form of harassment to the Hudson Police Department.
  - h. The HUNTER further agrees that he or she shall not:
    1. Shoot an arrow across a highway, roadway or beyond the approved area.
    2. Shoot an arrow from a motor vehicle.
    3. Hunt for any deer by aid of light or electronic calling device.
    4. Hunt without his/her State licenses and the landowner hunting agreement. They must provide all of the documents to any police officer or game official as prescribed by the Ohio Division of Wildlife.

(Return to Hudson Police)

5. Travel to and from their hunting sight without wearing a hunter orange hat and must provide all of the documents to any police officer or game official as prescribed by the Ohio Division of Wildlife.
  6. Trespass on any property adjoining the above referenced land.
- i. The HUNTER agrees further:
    1. To assume responsibility for liability for any injury or damage to property or persons while a guest on the PROPERTY OWNER'S land during the hunt.
    2. To transport the deer so that it is not visible.
    3. There will be no alcoholic beverages consumed by the HUNTER within eight (8) hours prior to the start of the hunt or consumed on the PROPERTY OWNER'S land during the hunt.
  - j. The Chief of Police for the City of Hudson, or designee, shall have the right to refuse or revoke any hunting permit he deems necessary to insure the safety of the City.
  - k. The Chief of Police for the City of Hudson, or designee, shall have the right to modify or change necessary provisions to allow qualified individuals to participate in this program.
2. Additionally, the PROPERTY OWNER and HUNTER agree to the following provisions:
- a. The HUNTER agrees to hunt from a tree stand, which shall be a minimum of eight (8) feet off the ground.
  - b. The HUNTER agrees to hunt with owner's permission only.
  - c. The PROPERTY OWNER shall require that the HUNTER register with the City of Hudson Police Department prior to the hunt.
  - d. The HUNTER shall remove entrails from the OWNER'S PROPERTY unless the PROPERTY OWNER agrees to burial on OWNER'S PROPERTY. Said disposal must be approved by the City of Hudson.
  - e. The PROPERTY OWNER(S), the HUNTER, and the Chief of Police or designee, shall review the property for suitability, concerns, stand placement and boundaries.
  - f. The PROPERTY OWNER shall limit the number of HUNTERS to a maximum of two (2) HUNTERS at any one time on his/her property (per five (5) acres).
  - g. The State of Ohio, per ODNR rules, requires the checking of deer. You may visit their website at [wildlife.ohiodnr.gov](http://wildlife.ohiodnr.gov) or by calling 1-877-TAGITOH (1-877-824-4864). The City of Hudson also requires a separate check, which can be done by:
    - 1) completing the half-form enclosed in the deer hunting permit packet,
    - 2) using the fill-in form on Hudson's website, [HUDSON@OH.US.COM](mailto:HUDSON@OH.US.COM), or
    - 3) by phone (330-342-1800).

*The separate check will allow Hudson officials the ability to gauge the efficacy of the deer control program, as the State of Ohio only breaks down deer harvest by county, not by municipality.*
  - h. The HUNTER shall notify the Chief of Police or designee immediately if a deer is wounded but not killed or retrieved.
  - i. The HUNTER may only retrieve the deer after obtaining that property owner's approval. If the property owner is not home, the HUNTER must be accompanied by a Hudson Police Officer.

This agreement is entered into on the following date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/20\_\_\_\_ by and between:

**PROPERTY OWNER** (signature): \_\_\_\_\_ and

**HUNTER** (signature): \_\_\_\_\_

