

2014 CONTROLLED DEER HUNT

BLENNERHASSETT ISLAND STATE PARK Parkersburg, WV

Application Instructions

1. Residents and Non-Residents may apply for a permit to participate in the Blennerhassett Island Controlled Deer Hunt on November 6, 2014. Hunters may apply either individually or as part of a party. Only bows, muzzleloaders, and shotguns using slugs with rifled barrels or chokes are allowed. One (1) deer may be taken by each hunter. **Only antlerless deer** may be taken during this hunt, except that each day of the hunt an on-site lottery will be held which will allow five (5) hunters to hunt a deer of either sex. **Follow instructions on the accompanying application exactly.**
2. All applicants must designate the type of weapon to be used. All persons applying as a party must hunt with the same type of weapon - either archery or firearm. The upstream end of the island around the Mansion and Caretaker residence is designated "Archery Only."
3. **Applications must be signed, legible, complete, and postmarked by August 15, 2014.** An individual's name may only appear on one application. Violation of any of these conditions will disqualify the applicant. Permits will be selected at random for each day of the hunt. The applicant may request to be placed in the lottery for no more than **one (1) day** of the hunt.
4. Each hunter must possess a valid **West Virginia Hunting License** (or be ***legally exempt*** from purchasing a license) on the day of the hunt. All hunting must be done from elevated (minimum of 8 feet off the ground) tree stands (ladder, or self-climbing) provided by the hunter. Tree stands must be able to adjust to trees up to 18 inches in diameter. A safety belt is required to be worn while in the tree stand. Scopes are allowed on all firearms.
5. West Virginia Division of Natural Resources hunting regulations will apply to this hunt. However, **deer taken during this hunt will NOT count against the hunter's annual deer season bag limit.**
6. A limited number of Physically Challenged sites are available for persons with a ***Class Q license*** (see definition in current hunting regulation). If you have a Class Q license, please indicate this on the application.
7. Hunters who apply and are not selected for the hunt are eligible to be entered into a lottery on the morning of the hunt for any "no show" sites. Hunters who check this box will be mailed an eligibility card which they will present on the morning they wish to be considered for any unfilled sites. Choosing this does not affect your eligibility for the selection of permits.
8. These rules and regulations will be strictly enforced. Any violation may result in prosecution and expulsion from the island and elimination from the remainder of the hunt.
9. After completing application - Mail to: Application Section, West Virginia Division of Natural Resources, P. O. Box 67, Elkins, West Virginia 26241-0067.