

FY10 Deer Management Activities

MANAGED HUNT DATES

Meadowood Farm (Bureau of Land Management)
Thursday, December 4, 2009

Riverbend Park (Fairfax County Park Authority)
Wednesday, December 16, 2009

MANAGED HUNT LOCATIONS

Meadowood Farm (Mount Vernon District)
Located near Mason Neck National Wildlife Refuge

Riverbend Park (Dranesville District)
Located near Great Falls Park

Managed hunt directions and maps will be provided in the confirmation letter sent to all managed hunt participants selected via hunt lottery.

MANAGED HUNT TIMES

All managed hunt participants are to meet at the selected site designated in the confirmation letter at 5:00 a.m. Managed hunt participants are to be in assigned treestands by 6:00 a.m. Hunting hours will be from 30 minutes prior to sunrise until 1:00 p.m.

HUNTER SAFETY BRIEF

All managed hunt participants are required to attend a 2-hour Hunter Safety Brief prior to participating in a managed hunt. The location, date and time of the Hunter Safety Brief are designated in the confirmation letter sent to all successful applicants. The Hunter Safety Brief is designed to provide important information regarding managed hunt site location, assigned treestand location, designated hunt areas and other safety details. Attendance to the meeting is mandatory. **If a hunter is unable or unwilling to attend the Hunter Safety Brief, they will be disqualified from participating in the managed hunt.**

RULES TO APPLY:

APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2009

1. Managed hunt participants will be selected via hunt lottery. The number of hunters selected is based upon the number of tree stand positions identified at each managed hunt location.
2. Hunters who have qualified for Mason Neck National Wildlife Refuge hunts or Fairfax County managed hunts may submit the qualifications for these hunts. (Qualifications are good for three years. Qualification must have been with #1 or larger buckshot to be deemed valid for participation in 2009 Fairfax County managed hunts.)

Certification consists of firing from an off hand position one shot at a 14" square target at 25 yards. Only weapons and ammunition used to certify may be used in the managed hunt. Certification is good for three years.

Passing score requirements for 16, 12, and 10 gauge shot guns: 5 pellets minimum in the target for #1; 4 pellets minimum in the target for #0 and #100; 3 pellets minimum in the target for #000. Passing score requirements for 20 gauge shot guns: 6 pellets minimum in the target for #2 buckshot.

3. Hunters may get firearms qualification for Fairfax County managed hunts during specified operating hours at the following ranges:

Arlington - Fairfax Izaak Walton League 14708 Mount Olive Road Centreville, VA 20121 Phone: 703-631-4496 Range Master: Ed Franzosa	Cost: Appointment Hours:	\$5 per person Call to make an appointment*** Monday – Saturday (8 am – 5 pm) Sunday (12 noon – 5 pm)
Bull Run Regional Park Shooting Center 7700 Bull Run Drive Centerville, VA 20121 Phone: 703-830-2344 Range Masters: Mark Swearingin, John McBreen	Cost: Appointment Hours:	\$5 per person Call to make an appointment*** Tuesday – Thursday (3 pm – 8 pm) Friday (2 pm – 8 pm) Saturday – Sunday (9 am – 5 pm)

Clark Brothers 10016 James Madison Highway Warrenton, VA 20186 Phone: 540-439-8988 Range Masters: Jim Clark, Eugene Clark	Cost: Appointment Hours:	Free (Must buy ammunition on site) No appointment needed, weekdays only Monday – Thursday (9 am – 4 pm)
Fairfax Rod & Gun Club 7039 Signal Hill Road Manassas, VA 20111 Phone: 571-437-1088 Range Master: Curt Anderson	Cost: Appointment Hours:	\$5 per person Call to make an appointment*** Appointment only, CALL to make an appointment
Sharpshooters Small Arms Range 8194 Terminal Road Lorton, VA 22079 Phone: 703-550-8005 Range Masters: Ann and Wei	Cost: Appointment Hours:	\$5 per person Call to make an appointment*** Monday – Saturday (10 am – 10 pm) Sunday (10am - 8pm)

NOTE: Bring ear and eye protection – Most ranges require protection to get on the firing line.

All firearms must be unloaded with action open while at a range except when specifically instructed by range instructor to load and fire weapon. Failure to comply with regulations, unsafe activity, or instructions by range instructor will result in immediate removal from the site, not completing requirements for the hunt, and no permit or firearms qualifications.

The range instructor's decision regarding safety or qualification at the range is final – NO appeals!

4. Mobility-impaired are encouraged to apply. Special areas will be designated for exclusive use by hunters confined to a wheelchair. Hunters selected for this category may bring a non-hunting party member for assistance.
5. Applicants for a managed hunt must be at least 18 years old and possess a valid Virginia hunting license and big game license. Applicants must provide proof they have successfully completed a Hunter Safety course.

A list of scheduled Hunter Safety courses is available by contacting the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries at <http://www.dgif.virginia.gov/hunting/education/> or call 540-899-4169.

6. Hunters, standby hunters, and volunteers must wear minimum of 400 square inches of solid blaze orange material on their head, chest and back during the managed hunt activity.

7. Only 20 gauge or larger shotguns will be permitted for the managed hunt. Ammunition must be #1 or larger buckshot. Slugs are not permitted.
8. Hunting is only permitted in designated hunt areas. Hunt areas will be clearly marked by signs and/or survey tape. Designated hunt areas will also be clearly shown on a map provided with the confirmation letter sent to all successful applicants.
9. Hunters will hunt from elevated treestands. Hunters are responsible for providing their own portable treestand and a safety harness. Screw-in steps, large nails, or other devices known to cause damage to trees are not permitted.

Mobility-impaired hunters are exempt from providing their own treestand.

10. Antlerless white-tailed deer are the only animals permitted to be taken during the managed hunt activity. The Fairfax County Deer Management Program is designed to serve as a deer population control plan for the county. All participants selected agree to abide by the rules, regulations or restrictions stipulated when participating in a county deer management activity.
11. The bag limit is two deer taken by each hunter. Hunters must make a reasonable attempt to retrieve wounded deer. Any injured deer that is not recovered or travels out of the designated hunt area must be reported.

Hunters will operate under a special permit and no personal big game tags are used during a managed hunt. **ONLY ANTERLESS DEER MAY BE TAKEN.**

12. All deer harvested must be taken to the designated checking station where deer will be weighed, aged, and tagged. Hunters will be responsible for transporting deer to designated trails or road for assistance and transportation to the check station.

HOW TO APPLY:

APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2009

1. Applicants may apply as an individual or part of a group with up to four other hunters on the same entry. All hunters on a group entry must meet the requirements outlined above. Each group hunter must provide the required application information on a separate 3- by 5-inch card with the word "group" labeled in the upper right corner. Hunters applying as a group will either be selected as a group or not selected as a group.

Individuals and groups that fail to be drawn will remain eligible for selection as standby hunters. Standby hunters will be selected separately.

2. On a 3- by 5-inch card, print or type the following information:

- FULL NAME
- ADDRESS
- TELEPHONE NUMBER (Include area code)
- DATE OF BIRTH
- CURRENT VALID HUNTING LICENSE NUMBER

Include in application:

- COPY OF HUNTER SAFETY COURSE CERTIFICATION
- COPY OF SHOTGUN QUALIFICATION CARD

3. A NON-REFUNDABLE application fee of \$5.00 must be included by each applicant. This fee should be included in the form of a check or money order made payable to: FAIRFAX COUNTY

4. Mail completed application to:
ATTN: Managed Hunts
Animal Services Division
4500 West Ox Road
Fairfax, VA 22030

***Failure to submit completed application will disqualify an applicant from the hunt lottery**

5. APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2009

6. Only one entry per applicant will be allowed. Duplicate names and addresses will be disqualified.

7. Only successful applicants selected via hunt lottery to participate in a managed hunt will be notified.