

**TAYLORS FALLS
DEER HERD MANAGEMENT HUNT
GUIDELINES**

These rules and regulations are in addition to the State of Minnesota DNR Hunting Regulations Handbook.

Archery hunting will be allowed on privately owned land within the City limits by permission permit and receipt of \$5.00 administrative fee, copy of Sharpshooter Qualification AND copy of the Archery Deer License. This hunt is only during the Minnesota archery season.

Eligible to hunt

All properly licensed individuals age 18 years or older must hold a Metro Bowhunters Resource Base (MBRB) Shooting Proficiency Certification of Sharpshooter Qualification (6 of 7 in 4" target). Shooting Proficiency Tests are available at St. Croix Outdoors, St. Croix Falls, WI, Highway 8 or at any other certified location (ie: Gander Mountain). Certification must be renewed every three (3) years.

Permission Permit

All licensed archery hunters, age 18 and older, must have written permission from the eligible landowner. Permission Permits are available at City Hall and must be filed with the Zoning Administrator-Coordinator prior to hunting taking place.

All property owners have the right to stipulate (in writing on the permission permit) time of day and dates archery hunting will take place on their property.

The eligible landowner, Zoning Administrator-Coordinator, and the licensed archery hunter hunting the property, must sign all permission permits. The archery hunter must carry the permission permit and sharpshooter certification on their person at all times.

All property owners have the right to refuse hunting on their property.

Private Property

All renting/leasing residents must contact the property owner and obtain permission prior to any hunting taking place. The renter/leasee and the property owner must sign the Permission Permit.

Public Property

- There will be no hunting on property owned by the Chisago Lakes School District, including the Bryant Environmental Lab property.
- There will be no hunting within Interstate State Park.
- Persons wishing to hunt at the Kahbakong Cemetery must contact Diane Dedon at (651) 465-7631.
- Permission from the City must be obtained by Public Works Superintendent, Mike Kriz at (651) 465-5133 ext. 25 to hunt the following:
 - Heritage Park
 - Lions Park(s) North and South – County Road 16 (season to be Nov. 1st – Dec. 31st only)

“Kill tags” can be inserted in the after hours drop box located at City Hall.

Method

Archery only. ABSOLUTELY NO FIREARMS ARE ALLOWED.

No open fires or alcoholic beverages will be allowed during the hunt hours.

No animals, other than deer, may be hunted or shot.

All bow hunting must be done from a raised platform. The raised platform must be a minimum of ten (10) feet high.

No hunting within one hundred (100) feet of any neighboring structure. Shots should be restricted to 30 yards or less.

All hunters, including hunting property owners, must register their intent to hunt with the City Staff at the Taylors Falls City Hall.

All hunters, including property owners who are hunting, must be licensed and MBRB sharpshooter qualified.

All hunters must abide by the State of Minnesota DNR Hunting Regulations and the City of Taylors Falls ordinances. Failure to comply with said regulations and ordinances is a violation and may result in prosecution. Law Enforcement personnel will be utilized as needed to insure a safe hunt and assist with any law enforcement issues.

All hunters assume liability as stated in the Minnesota DNR Hunting Regulations and the City of Taylors Falls ordinances. If you sign up to hunt a specific property at a specific time and cannot or choose not to for whatever reason, please contact the landowner and let them know so that the property is available for other hunters to occupy.

Animal Recovery

All deer must be eviscerated outside of the Taylors Falls City limits and entrails disposed of properly. Offenders will be cited. The exception would be for the hunter to eviscerate the deer at the Cherry Hill Meat Processing, located at 530 Maple. Persons wishing a processed deer can also contact Cherry Hill Meat Processing at 465-6321.

Registration of Deer

All hunters harvesting deer within the city limits of Taylors Falls must register the harvest at an official DNR Registration Site per law, AND at City Hall using the registration form included with your packet. The future of this program will be determined upon the number of harvested deer registered within the City of Taylors Falls. A successful Deer Herd Management Hunt can only be administered with full cooperation from its registered hunters. **REGISTRATION IS THE KEY ELEMENT OF THE PROGRAM.**

Archery hunting in the Rural Countryside (RC) Zoning Districts within the city limits is exempt from the requirements of this Deer Herd Reduction Plan, with the exception that any deer taken in the RC District must also register them at an official DNR Registration Site per law AND at City Hall.

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