

DRAFT DEER MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES FOR D&R GREENWAY PRESERVES 2018-2019 HUNTING SEASON

General rules:

Hunting is by permission only. Each hunter must provide all the information requested on the Application Checklist.

Hunting is for deer only. No coyote, bear, small game or bird hunting or trapping allowed.

Hunters must be NJ State licensed and meet all applicable laws that govern hunting. All State deer hunting regulations apply, including specific season dates and bag limits for the applicable Deer Management Zone.

Special rules:

- Hunters are encouraged to: harvest <u>three antlerless deer for every buck</u> and target dominant does in the herd. Trophy hunting does not help us achieve our property management objectives.
- In an effort to prevent the spread of Chronic Wasting Disease, <u>use of urine-based deer attractants is banned from our preserves</u>.
- <u>Tree stands</u>: Only commercially-manufactured tree stands are permitted. To minimize injury to the tree, the stands must be attached to the tree by use of a cable, chain or strap. Access to and from tree stands is limited to commercially manufactured screw-in steps, strap-on steps, or climbing sticks. Tree gaff climbers, spikes, and nail-on steps are not permitted. Tree stands and steps must be removed within 3 weeks after hunting season.
- Each stand must clearly display the name, address, telephone number and hunting license number of the hunter. Stands must be removed or moved if requested by the D&R Greenway.
- If physically disabled, D&R Greenway will coordinate with hunter regarding any special location restrictions.
- All motorized vehicles are restricted to public roads and designated parking areas and must clearly display the D&R Greenway permit. Deer are not to be removed from the property by motorized vehicles except on public roads.
- Target practice is prohibited.
- Use or possession of alcoholic beverages while on the property is prohibited.
- Violation of any conditions herein or any applicable state law or regulation will result in loss of hunting privileges on the property. If this occurs, there will be no refund of any fees paid by the hunter.
- D&R Greenway Preserves are multi-use. Hunters cannot exclude other uses of the preserve, such as hiking, bird-watching, public walks, and equestrian use.
- Hunting is not permitted on Sundays within preserves with public trails.

<u>Stewardship:</u> Hunters must participate in stewardship tasks that may involve posting preserve boundaries, clearing trails, cleaning up debris; building stream crossings, or other needed tasks on their respective preserve. Time dedicated should be equal to or greater than 8 hours.

<u>Harvest reporting:</u> Results of hunting efforts must be reported to D&R Greenway before April 1st and include the tag numbers of the harvested deer, the sex of the deer, and a confirmation number obtained from the NJDFW's Automated Harvest Report System. The information can be sent via US mail or by email.