



2018 Deer Management Hunt Program at Spicer Lake Nature Preserve

County Line Road, New Carlisle, IN

Deer hunting will be allowed on November 17 and 18, 2018 at Spicer Lake Nature Preserve to help maintain a healthy deer population and a healthy forest ecosystem. Hunting will be allowed in accordance with the following rules:

(1) **Hunting will be allowed by PERMIT ONLY.**

Five hunting permits will be issued for use on both following dates: November 17 and 18. Spicer Lake Nature Preserve will be closed to the public on those dates. One reserve applicant will be drawn, in case a selected hunter is unable to participate.

Permit applications must be received by the end of the workday on Tuesday, October 9. (A limit of one application per person will be accepted for the drawing.) A lottery drawing for the 5 permits, and 1 reserve, will take place on October 10. **Successful** applicants will be promptly notified. (Note that applicants **do not** have to be present for the drawing.)

(2) **This is an Antlerless hunt, and hunters must obtain a Bonus Antlerless License at their own expense, prior to the hunt. Hunters are encouraged to take more than one deer, with the appropriate licenses.**

(3) Hunters will be assigned to a specific hunting zone at the time of the lottery drawing. The use of temporary stands is permissible, and permit holders can arrange with park staff to set their stand in advance.

(4) All permit holders must have a valid Indiana Deer Hunting License and a minimum of one Antlerless Tag.

(5) All permit holders must meet with the park staff and visit their hunting zones in advance, so they clearly understand hunt rules and the boundaries of their hunt zones.

(6) Permit holders must check in and out at the Visitor Center or a designated location on the hunt dates.

(7) Some additional notes....

The chances of getting a deer at Spicer Lake Nature Preserve are no better or worse than at other locations. The hunt is being conducted to help keep the local deer population at its current level, or reduce it.

As noted above, this hunt is being conducted for deer management objectives. *If you are selected, but do not make a reasonable effort to hunt here, it denies another hunter the opportunity to hunt.* Please do not apply for a permit unless you are committed to participating both days.

For additional information, please call 574-654-3155