

# Trempealeau National Wildlife Refuge Late Archery Deer Hunting Fact Sheet and Application Instructions

## 2023 Late Archery Season South Refuge Zone

- **Dates:** November 27, 2023 - January 7, 2024.
- **Number of Permits:** No limit. Once received in the mail or in the drop box hunters will be notified if their application has been approved and their permits will be sent to them by mail.
- **Application:** Applications are available online at <https://www.fws.gov/refuge/trempealeau> or at the refuge office. Refuge office hours are Tuesday-Friday 8:00 am to 3:30 pm. Please fill out the application and sign and date it. You may mail the application to the Refuge or drop it in the drop box. Address: Trempealeau National Wildlife Refuge, W28488 Refuge Road, Trempealeau, WI 54661. The drop box is a mail slot located in the Contact Station/Office parking area. There will be a sign indicating it is the area to drop off applications.
- **Deadline to turn in application:** Applications for the refuge late archery season must be received by 3:30 pm on December 13, 2023. Applications can be mailed or placed in the mail slot located in the Contact Station/Office parking area.
- **How to obtain a permit:** Late archery permits will be available November 14, 2023. This year hunters will sign and send in a permit along with their application. **This permit is not valid until signed by the refuge manager and sent back to the hunter. Only hunters drawn to hunt will receive their permit back in the mail.**
- **Hunter Notification:** Notification of selection will be made by email at the address provided by the applicant. If a selected applicant is without an email address, they must contact Steven Bodovinitz, 608-779-2398 or [steven\\_bodovinitz@fws.gov](mailto:steven_bodovinitz@fws.gov), before close of December 13, 2023, to make alternate plans for notification. Otherwise, their notification will be mailed via U.S. Postal Service. Hunters that are not selected will not be notified.
- **Harvest Limit:** One buck deer per unused Bow Buck Carcass Tag and one antlerless deer per unused Antlerless Deer Tag valid for use in the specified zone, DMU (Deer Management Unit) and land type (public access or private). Hunters must have appropriate state tags for the deer that they harvest. Trempealeau National Wildlife Refuge is in the WI DNR Central Farmland Zone 2 and Buffalo and Trempealeau County DMU's. All deer harvested must be registered as per Wisconsin state regulations.
- **Legal Bow:** Defined by restrictions listed in the Wisconsin Hunting Regulations.
- **Closed Areas:** Black Oak Island is closed to hunting.
- **Fee:** There is a \$10.00 application fee due at the time of application. Payment is accepted in the form of cash, personal check, or money orders. Please make checks payable to:  
*U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service*

## Additional Regulations/Information

- All hunters must possess a valid Wisconsin hunting license and a Refuge Permit to hunt on the Refuge. Wisconsin State hunting regulations will be in effect while hunting on the refuge.

- All hunters must be at least 12 years old and must be accompanied by an adult if under the age of 18.
- The Refuge is open for access to bow hunters from 1 hour before to 1 hour after legal shooting times during the Refuge early archery deer season only. Other times the Refuge is open during daylight hours only.
- Non-hunters may be on the Refuge during the hunt.
- **A Big Game Harvest Report must be returned for each permit (even if no deer was harvested) or the hunter will not be eligible for a permit the next year. Harvest reports are due no later than January 19, 2024.**

Please return application to: Trempealeau National Wildlife Refuge, W28488 Refuge Road, Trempealeau, WI 54661. Deadline to apply for a late archery deer permit: No later than December 13, 2023. For more information, call 608-779-2398, Or email: [steven\\_bodovinitz@fws.gov](mailto:steven_bodovinitz@fws.gov)

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In accordance with the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) and the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501), please note the following;

Applications for our South Hunt Zone will be available online or at the refuge office starting August 1st each year at <https://www.fws.gov/refuge/trempealeau> (follow the link for Permits).