



Seven Hills Police Department
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Seven Hills, Ohio 44131
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Email: policesecretary@sevenhillspd.org

BOW HUNTING SEASON CHECKLIST

Hunters must supply the following **COMPLETED** documents:
(Applications missing information will not be accepted.)

1. Seven Hills deer control permit application.
2. Proof of passing archery test completed prior to submitting application. **(must include dated receipt of archery test)**
3. Present and provide a photocopy of Ohio Hunting License.
4. Present and provide a photocopy of deer permit.
5. Completed Seven Hills archery agreement signed by property owners.
6. Present and provide a photocopy of Ohio driver's license or state Identification.
7. Map showing proposed hunting property with property boundaries and platform location with a brief description of location for officer.
8. Payment to the **Seven Hills Police Department** with application.
9. **Non-refundable** Hunting Fees:

 \$55 for Non-Resident of Seven Hills
 \$28 for Resident of Seven Hills.
 Cash and checks are accepted.
 Checks made payable to: *City of Seven Hills*
11. No deer applications will be accepted after December 31st.



ARCHERY HUNTING AGREEMENT

The parties acknowledge that they have read, understand, and agree to all of the terms and conditions: If more than three (3) properties, additional copies must be made of this form, filled out correctly with original signatures and attached to application.

If you are the Organizer of street and/or group: One original signature form set must be submitted and remain with the Police Department.

Contact person: _____ Phone: _____

PROPERTY OWNER (print name) _____

Property Owner Signature & Date _____

Home Phone # _____ Cell Phone # _____

Hunting Property Address _____

Size of Property in Acres _____

ADDITIONAL PROPERTY OWNER (print name) _____

Property Owner Signature & Date _____

Home Phone # _____ Cell Phone # _____

Hunting Property Address _____

Size of Property in Acres _____

ADDITIONAL PROPERTY OWNER (print name) _____

Property Owner Signature & Date _____

Home Phone # _____ Cell Phone # _____

Hunting Property Address _____

Size of Property in Acres _____

THE HUNTER AND PROPERTY OWNER(S) ACCEPT FULL REPOSIBILITY FOR CONDUCTING ALL ACTIVITIES IN A SAFE, LEGAL AND RESPOSIBLE MANNER AND AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE CITY OF SEVEN HILLS, IT'S EMPOLYEES, OFFICERS, AND AGENTS FROM ALL LIABILITY ASSOCIATED WITH PERSONAL INJURY AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE, LOSS AND EXPENSE, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, DAMAGES, LEGAL EXPENSE AND COST OF DEFENSE IN ANY MATTER ARISING FROM THE ARCHERY ACTIVITIES.



City Permit Number _____

City of Seven Hills
Municipal Wildlife Control Permit

The following permit is issued to:

Name of Permittee *Phone Number*

Mailing Address *City* *Zip*

State ID # _____ Hunting License # _____

This permit may be utilized on the following properties:

(If more space is needed for properties, additional copies of this form must be made, filled out correctly & attached to application)

Address or Auditor's Permanent Parcel #'s		<u>Office Use Only (Building)</u>		<u>Office Use Only (P.D.)</u>	
		Verified Acreage	Date/Initials	Platform Check	
	Acreage				
				Date:	
				Initial:	
				Badge #	
		<u>Total Acreage:</u>			

Special Conditions: _____

I certify that I understand the provisions of this permit are regulated under city ordinance 505.11 Hunting. I also understand that I must adhere to any state rules or laws pertaining to hunting as set forth in Chapters 1531 & 1533 of the Ohio Revised Code or rules enacted in accordance with those chapters and I am responsible for the actions of those listed on this permit.

Signature of Permittee Date

Approved by: _____
Signature of Chief of Police or their designee Date

<u>Office Use Only:</u>				Male	Button Buck	Female	Date
End of Season Harvest Totals							



Archery Proficiency Test

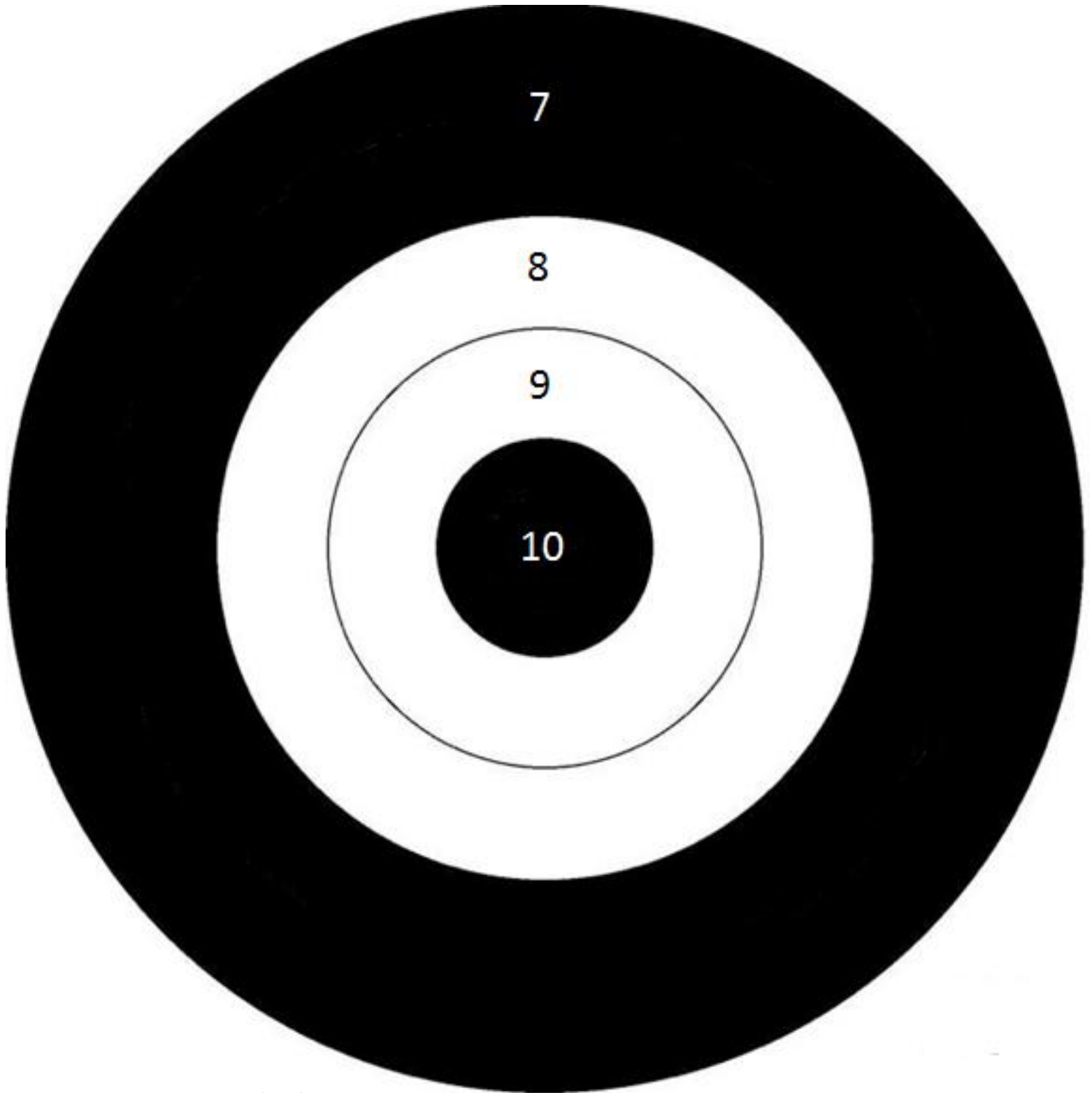


Name of Archer (please print): _____

Signature of Archer: _____

Receipt of Payment for testing must be attached

Rules: Archer shoots 5 arrows at 10 yards and must score 45 to pass



Date of test: ____/____/20____

Score 10 yards: _____

Name & Address of Testing Facility: _____

Employee witnessing score (Print): _____

Witnessing Employee's signature: _____

“Additional Deer Bag Limit Allowance” FAQ’s

What is “Additional Deer Bag Limit Allowance”?

The Chief of the Division of Wildlife may designate certain deer hunting programs throughout Ohio as a “controlled access opportunity”. “Additional Deer Bag Limit Allowance” is a type of “controlled access opportunity” in Ohio and allows any deer hunter hunting in these programs to harvest additional deer by using both their “Controlled Access Opportunity Bag Limit” and their “County Bag Limit”.

How many deer can I kill in Ohio this year?

The most deer a hunter can kill in Ohio this year is 12 deer. This can be achieved through two types of bag limits in Ohio. The “Controlled Access Opportunity Bag Limit” is 6 antlerless deer statewide regardless of how many locations or counties a hunter hunts in that are designated as a “controlled access opportunity”. Hunters can also kill an additional 6 deer statewide using their “County Bag Limit” and while a hunter cannot exceed an individual county’s bag limit they can combine county harvests to reach the 6 deer “County Bag Limit” total.

What deer hunting programs in Ohio are eligible for using the “Controlled Access Opportunity Bag Limit”?

Controlled hunts that are part of the Division of Wildlife’s online lottery held in July each year can utilize the “Controlled Access Opportunity Bag Limit”. In addition, some parks, municipalities, and other entities that allow hunting may request “Additional Deer Bag Limit Allowance” each year. You can find out if a particular deer hunting program has been authorized for “Additional Deer Bag Limit Allowance” by talking to the person that oversees that hunt by calling that local municipality or park district.

When hunting in an area with “Additional Deer Bag Limit Allowance”, am I able to kill additional antlered deer?

No. No more than 1 antlered deer may be killed during a hunting season regardless of where or how it was taken in Ohio.

When hunting in an area with “Additional Deer Bag Limit Allowance”, which tags can I use to hunt with there?

When hunting in a place with “Additional Deer Bag Limit Allowance”, hunters may use both “Deer Management Permit” tags and “Either-sex Deer Permit” tags. However, “Deer Management Permit” tags are only sold until a certain date each hunting season. Check Ohio’s Hunting Regulations annually for that sales end date.

I didn’t buy a “Deer Management Permit” tag before the sales end date but want to hunt after that date, can I still hunt?

Yes. “Either-sex Permit” tags can be purchased and used in place of “Deer Management Permit” tags when used in a deer hunt designated as a “controlled access opportunity” and are available for purchase all season long.

I shot a deer somewhere else in Ohio that has “controlled access opportunity”, does it affect how many deer I can kill?

Yes. If you kill deer in a Division of Wildlife controlled hunt OR in any other location that has “Additional Deer Bag Limit Allowance” anywhere in Ohio, those deer DO count towards your Controlled Access Opportunity Bag Limit of 6 antlerless deer for this year.

When checking in my deer with the Division of Wildlife, is there anything to be mindful of?

Yes. If you would like the deer you are checking in to be counted towards your “Controlled Access Opportunity Bag Limit”, make sure to note the deer as part of a “controlled hunt”. All other deer will count toward your “County Bag Limit”. In addition to checking your deer in with the Division of Wildlife, some municipalities and park districts may also require you to let them know you shot a deer within their park or municipality.

If I have additional questions, who can I call?

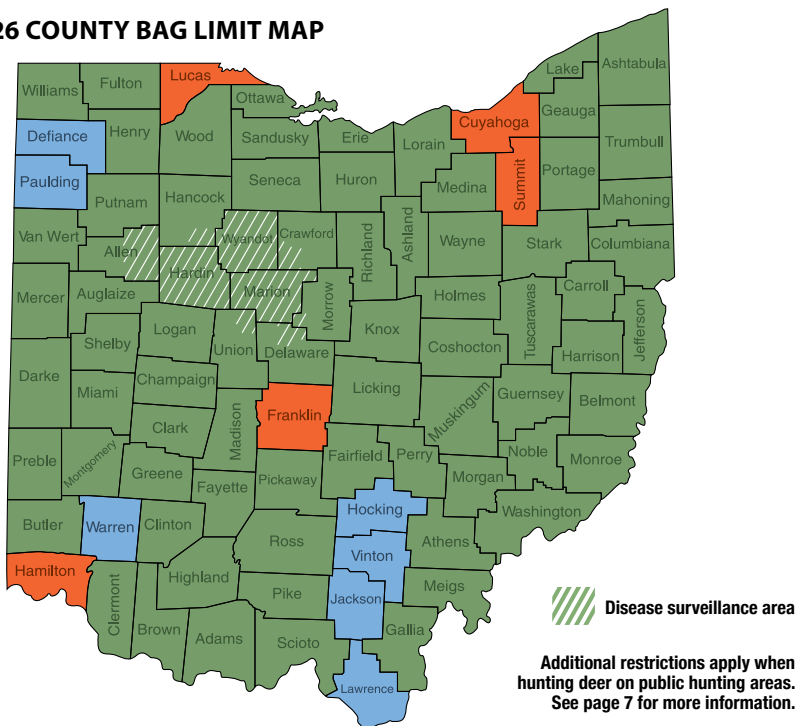
If you have additional questions, you can contact Geoff Westerfield with the Division of Wildlife at 330-245-3027 or you can contact the person that oversees the hunt for that municipality or park district.

2025-26 OHIO HUNTING & TRAPPING REGULATIONS
WHITE-TAILED DEER HUNTING

SEASON	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	STATEWIDE LIMIT
Archery	Sept. 27, 2025	Feb. 1, 2026	Only one may be antlered.
Youth Gun	Nov. 22, 2025	Nov. 23, 2025	
Gun	Dec. 1, 2025	Dec. 7, 2025	Statewide limit is six deer.
	Dec. 20, 2025	Dec. 21, 2025	
Muzzleloader	Jan. 3, 2026	Jan. 6, 2026	Hunters may combine individual county harvests to reach the statewide limit.
DSA Archery	Sept. 13, 2025	Feb. 1, 2026	
DSA Early Gun	Oct. 11, 2025	Oct. 13, 2025	

DSA: All of Hardin, Marion, and Wyandot counties; Auglaize, Bath, Jackson, Monroe, Perry, and Richland townships in Allen County; Bucyrus, Dallas, and Tod townships in Crawford County; Marlboro, Oxford, and Troy townships in Delaware County; Delaware and Madison townships in Hancock County; Westfield Township in Morrow County; and Claibourne and Jackson townships in Union County.

2025-26 COUNTY BAG LIMIT MAP



TWO DEER COUNTY

A hunter may use two either-sex permits, two deer management permits, or one of each, to harvest no more than two deer in these counties.

THREE DEER COUNTY

A hunter may use three either-sex permits, three deer management permits, or any combination, to harvest no more than three deer in these counties.

FOUR DEER COUNTY

A hunter may use four either-sex permits, four deer management permits, or any combination, to harvest no more than four deer in these counties.



Permit Conditions

1. The hunter must possess a copy of this permit as well as any applicable State of Ohio Licenses, permits, and/or tags while operating under this permit, and must adhere to any Division of Wildlife and City of Seven Hills rules and regulations. If requested by a Law Enforcement Official or State Wildlife Official, the person operating under this permit must produce this permit upon request.
2. The hunter must ensure that all equipment used while operating under this permit must be removed from the area covered under this permit no later than two weeks after the expiration of this permit, including but not limited to tree stands and ladders.
3. Hunting shall be conducted from an elevated platform 10' minimum only.
4. The hunter shall provide a map, with boundaries outlined on the map of the property or properties of the approved site/platform.
5. No alcoholic beverages will be consumed by the hunter within eight (8) hours prior to the start of the hunt or consumed during the hunt.
6. The hunter may only use archery equipment legal as described in ORC 1501:31-15-11 unless otherwise stated in the special conditions section of this permit. The hunter shall provide proof of passing an archery proficiency test.
7. Anyone operating under this permit shall immediately remove carcass and entrails from the property covered under this permit, unless otherwise agreed upon by property owner. Animals may not be field dressed or transported in view of the general public.
8. Anyone operating under this permit shall only do so with the property owner's permission and shall immediately notify the Police Department at (216) 524-3911 if the animal being controlled under this permit leaves the property covered under this permit. The hunter may only retrieve the deer after obtaining that property owner's approval.
9. Anyone operating under this permit shall immediately notify the Police Department at 216.524.3911 if the animal being controlled under this permit travels onto a public right of way or public property and requires further measures for harvesting. The Police Department will determine if assistance by the police department is required to retrieve the animal.
10. The property owner, the hunter, and the Chief of Police or his designee, shall review the property for suitability, concerns, stand placement, and boundaries. The Chief of Police or their designee may deem a property or any portion thereof unsuitable at any time if he/she determines it is in the best interest of the public. The Chief of Police or his designee's determination is final.
11. The property owner shall limit the number of hunters to a maximum of two (2) hunters at any one time on his/her property (2.25 acres) unless otherwise determined by the Chief of Police or his designee.
12. Hunter and Property owner consent to the entry upon the hunting property by the City of Seven Hills' police officers and/or other persons designated by the Police Chief to enforce the provisions of this chapter. The property owner shall notify hunter and the Seven Hills Police Department immediately if consent to hunt has been modified or revoked.
13. The hunter shall place their permit (bright colored paper with hunter's name and permit number issued by the Seven Hills Police Department) in the window of their vehicle at the beginning of each hunt. If the hunter is a resident of the property, and no vehicle is parked outside, the permit shall be placed in a front window of the home in a place likely to be seen by a Law Enforcement Officer or Wildlife Officer, at the beginning of each hunt.
14. Pursuant to city ordinance 505.11 Hunting, the Chief of Police or their designee may revoke or suspend this permit at any time if the permittee and/or any person operating under this permit violates any of the listed conditions of this permit or for any other reason deemed appropriate by the Chief of Police. The Chief of Police or his designee shall have the right to modify or change necessary provisions to allow qualified individuals to participate in this program.
15. By accepting this permit, the permittee accepts full responsibility for conducting all activities in a safe, legal and responsible manner and to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Seven Hills, its employees, officers, and agents from all liability associated with personal injury and/or property damage, loss and expense, including, but not limited to, damages, legal expenses and cost of defense in any matter arising from the permittee's archery activities.
16. Contact the Seven Hills Police Department by email @ policesecretary@sevenhillspd.org no later than February 15th to report all harvested animals (*number and sex of animal even if it is zero*) and you will receive a confirmation email in return. All harvested deer must be reported to the ODNR within the lawful amount of time. This can be done by visiting ODNR website www.wildlife.ohiodnr.gov or by calling 1-877-TAGITOH (1-877-824-4864).
17. The permit shall be used only by the named permit holder. The permit shall be valid only during the current hunting season.
18. The hunter shall post, "Caution Archery Hunting," signs if deemed necessary by the Chief of Police or his designee.
19. The hunter agrees to conduct himself/herself in a legal, responsible, and ethical manner as a guest on the property owner's land as though it were their own.
20. The hunter agrees to report any form of harassment to the City of Seven Hills Police Department 216.524.3911.



City of Seven Hills

Rules and Regulations for the issuance of a Deer Control Permit

Pursuant to the City of Seven Hills' Ordinance No. 505.11 (Hunting), the Chief of Police hereby establishes the following:

A. Pre-approval process:

1. Application, a copy of which is attached must be completed and submitted as follows:
 - a. Municipal Deer Control hunting permit application shall be submitted no later than one month from the last day of the Ohio Bow Hunting Season (September - February)
2. Application must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Police Chief or his designated representative the following:
 - a. Applicant is a qualified archer;
 - b. Applicant and/or landowner has been issued either a deer damage control permit and/or hunting license and deer permit as required by ODNR;
 - c. Applicant's acknowledgement of bow-hunting only (long bow and crossbow) of white-tailed deer;
 - d. Provide written permission (affidavit) from the property owners (minimum 2.25 contiguous acres) for a limited period of time as set forth in the permit;
3. Hunting shall be conducted from an elevated platform only (10 ft. minimum). The platform and its location shall be inspected and approved by the Chief of Police or his designee prior to the permit issuance;
4. Applicant shall provide a map, with boundaries outlined on the map of the property or properties of the approved site/platform;
5. Approval/certification from an approved archer proficiency test site (***must include dated receipt of archery test***), valid Ohio hunting license, or successful completion of Ohio hunter safety course, if applicable, and all other state requirements;
6. Compliance with all laws, rules and regulations of the City and State of Ohio;
7. All applicants shall agree, in writing, to defend and indemnify the City for any negligent or other acts committed by the applicant;
8. Any person obtaining a permit under this chapter and any property owner giving written permission for deer hunting on the owner's property shall have consented to the entry upon the outdoor property by Police Officers or Wildlife Officers to enforce the provisions of this chapter. This is to clarify that this does not give blanket permission to enter property owner's house.
9. Payment of the registration fee.

B. Issuance of Permit/Post approval requirements:

1. After the Chief of Police or his designee has visited the property and determined that hunting with archer equipment can be safely conducted on the property and that the applicant is a qualified archer, the Chief of Police may issue a permit or may impose any other requirement(s), condition(s), or restriction(s) as deemed necessary to preserve and protect the health, safety, and welfare of the residents as determined solely by the Chief of Police;
2. The Chief of Police's decision to grant or deny a permit application in a final decision which is not appealable;
3. Permit holder shall post, "caution archery hunting" signs if deemed necessary by the Chief of Police;
4. Deer permit shall be used only by the named permit holder;
5. Deer permit shall be valid only during the current hunting season and only during daylight hours;
6. Permit holder shall remove all deer carcasses and deer remains from the hunting site;
7. All harvested deer must be timely reported to the ODNR, website at wildlife.ohiodnr.gov or by calling 1-877-TAGITOH (1-877-824-4864);
8. All hunters must contact the Seven Hills Police Department by email at policesecretary@sevenhillspd.org no later than February 15th to report all harvested animals (number, sex of animal).
9. Chief of Police may terminate/cancel the permit within his sole discretion and without the obligation to give any reason therefor.



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**Deer hunting packets can be printed out and are available online at
sevenhillsohio.org on the Police Department Home Page**

Archery Proficiency Testing Locations

The establishments below are given for informational purposes only.

The Seven Hills Police Dept. is not affiliated with either.

Parma Armory
5301 Hauserman Rd.

Parma, OH 44130

216.242.6717

Cost: \$10.00

(tax not included if applicable)

Fin Feather Fur Outfitters
18030 Bagley Rd.
Middleburg Heights, OH 44130

440.243.9400

Cost: \$10.00

(tax not included if applicable)