GENERAL INFORMATION

- The statewide deer permit and youth deer permit allow for the harvest of up to four deer. Hunters may take up to one antlered deer and three antlerless deer, or four antlerless deer using the statewide deer permit.
- The zone bag limit is 2 deer in zone 4, 4 deer in zones 2 and 3, and unlimited in zone 1.
- The statewide season limit for antlered deer is one per hunter.
- A hunter may take as many deer as allowed for each zone. In order to take more than four deer statewide, an additional deer permit must be purchased.
- An additional deer permit allows a hunter to take up to two additional deer beyond the four deer allowed by the statewide or youth deer permits.
 Zone bag limits apply. Hunters who did not harvest an antlered deer using their statewide or youth deer permits can take one antlered deer and up to one antlerless deer, or up to two antlerless deer with the additional deer permit.
- Shooting hours are 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

SEE ALL THE RULES AT fw.ky.gov

Make sure you understand Kentucky's hunting and trapping laws before going afield. See the 2021-22 Kentucky Fall Hunting Guide for complete requirements.





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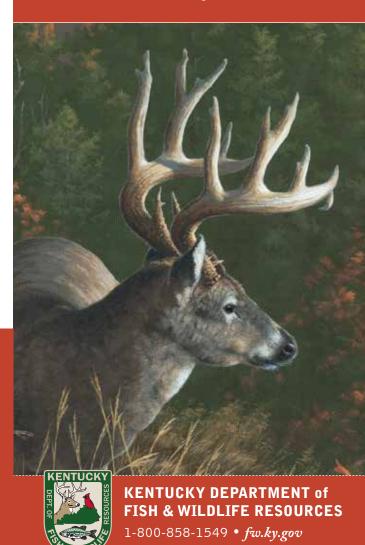
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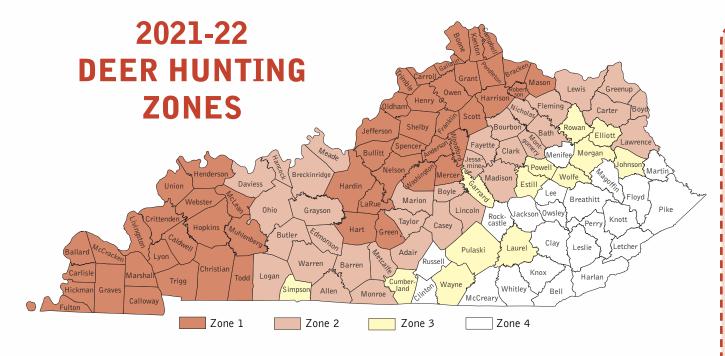


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2021-22 KENTUCKY DEER SEASON

Quick Reference





DEER	Early Season	Late Season
Archery		
Youth/Senior Crossbow	Sept. 4, 2021 - Jan. 17, 2022	
Crossbow	Sept. 18, 2021 - Jan. 17, 2022	
Youth-only Gun	Oct. 9-10, 2021	
Muzzleloader	Oct. 16-17, 2021	Dec. 11-19, 2021
Modern Gun	Nov. 13-28, 2021	
Free Youth Weekend	Jan. 1-2, 2022	

CHECKING and TAGGING

All deer must be telechecked. Hunters must call 1-800-245-4263 or complete the online check-in process at fw.ky.gov.

Fill out the harvest log immediately after harvest and telecheck the animal before midnight on the day the deer is harvested or recovered.

A carcass tag is required if a harvested deer leaves the hunter's possession for any reason.

DEER BAG LIMITS

Only one antiered deer may be harvested statewide, regardless of zone or method.

	A hunter may harvest an unlimited number of antlerless deer in Zone 1 using the statewide deer permit and additional deer permits.
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ZONE 2 A hunter may harvest no more than four deer in Zone 2.

A hunter may harvest no more than four deer in Zone 3. A firearm or air gun cannot be used to take more than one antlerless deer.

A hunter may harvest no more than two deer in Zone 4. Only one can be antlerless.

Antlerless deer cannot be harvested during the modern gun season, the early muzzleloader season or the first six days of the late muzzleloader season. The statewide bag limit of one antlered deer still applies.

LEGAL DEER HUNTING EQUIPMENT

MODERN GUN EQUIPMENT

- Any caliber centerfire rifle or centerfire handgun.
- Rifle, handgun or shotgun magazines may not be capable of holding more than 10 rounds.
- Shotguns, no larger than 10-gauge, shooting slug ammunition only (includes saboted bullets).

ARCHERY EQUIPMENT

- Longbows, recurves and compound bows of any draw weight (no minimum).
- Wood, carbon or metal arrows.
- Fixed blade or mechanical broadheads at least 7/8" wide (when blades extended).

CROSSBOW EQUIPMENT

- Crossbows of any draw weight (no minimum), with a working safety.
- Wood, carbon or metal arrows (bolts).
- Fixed blade or mechanical broadheads at least 7/8" (when blades extended).

MUZZLELOADING EQUIPMENT

- Muzzle-loading rifles or handguns of any caliber, shooting round balls, conical bullets or saboted bullets.
- Muzzle-loading firearms equipped with open sights or telescopic sights (scopes).

HANDY QUICK LINKS



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