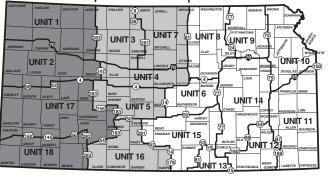
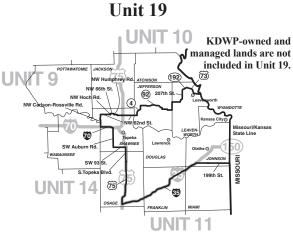
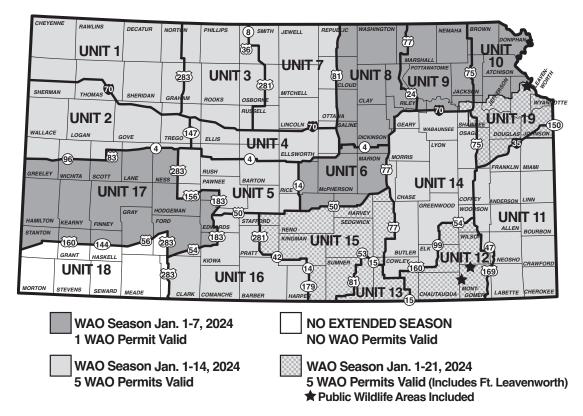
Either-species/Either-sex Zones

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Extended Whitetail Antlerless Only Season Map



PROPOSED

DEER SEASONS Youth & Disabled: Sept. 2-10, 2023

Muzzleloader-Only: Sept. 11-24, 2023 Archery: Sept. 11 - Dec. 31, 2023

Pre-rut Whitetail Antlerless-Only: Oct. 7-9, 2023

Extended Pre-rut Whitetail Antlerless-Only: Oct. 7-15, 2023

Regular Firearm: Nov. 29 - Dec. 10, 2023

Extended Whitetail Antlerless-Only: Jan. 1-7, 2024 in Units 6, 8, 9, 10, and 17 Jan. 1-14, 2024 in Units 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 11, 14, and 16 Jan. 1-21, 2024 in Units 10A (Ft. Leavenworth), 12, 13, 15 and 19

> **Extended Archery:** Jan. 22-31, 2024 – Unit 19 only

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Resident Deer

Firearm Either-Species\$52.50
Landowner/Tenant Firearm Either-Species\$32.50
Youth Firearm Either-Species\$22.50
Muzzleloader Either-Species \$42.50
Landowner/Tenant Muzzleloader Either-Species \$22.50
Youth Muzzleloader Either-Species\$12.50
Archery Either-Species
Landowner/Tenant Archery Either-Species
Youth Archery Either-Species or Any Season Whitetail \$12.50
Any-Season Whitetail
Landowner/Tenant Any-Season Whitetail\$22.50
Hunt-Own-Land
Special Hunt-Own-Land
Whitetail Antlerless-Only\$22.50
Youth Whitetail Antlerless-Only\$10.00

Nonresident Deer

Whitetail Combo	
Youth Whitetail Combo\$117.50	
Mule Deer Stamp\$152.50	
Hunt-Own-Land	
Nonresident Tenant	
Whitetail Antlerless-Only\$52.50	1

Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs described herein is available to all individuals without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, political affiliation, and military or veteran status. Complaints of discrimination should be sent to Office of the Secretary, Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks, 1020 S Kansas Ave., Topeka, KS 66612-1327. 06/22

2023 Kansas **Deer Hunting** Regulations Summary







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This publication is a summary of deer hunting regulations. The complete laws and regulations on which this summary is based are available online at: www.ksoutdoors.com/regulations.

GENERAL DEER INFORMATION

Permits and duplicates purchased during the open season are valid immediately after they are purchased. Shooting hours for deer are 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. No hunter may harvest more than one antlered deer per year except those who also possess a Commissioner Big Game permit. Hunters must purchase a permit that allows the harvest of an antlered deer before they can purchase an antlerless deer permit until Dec. 30. After Dec. 30, anyone may purchase whitetail antlerless-only permits for the extended antlerless seasons. Unless exempt, deer hunters are required to purchase a hunting license in addition to a deer permit.

Hunter Orange Requirements

All deer hunters and persons assisting deer hunters during a firearm or muzzleloader deer season must wear an blaze orange head garment and at least 200 square inches of orange on the upper half of the body, of which 100 square inches must be visible from the front and 100 square inches must be visible from the back. Camouflage hunter orange that provides the required 200 square inches of orange is legal.

Legal Equipment

Archery: longbows, recurve bows, compound bows and crossbows. Hunters may hunt with bows that have a draw-lock device attached. No bow, crossbow or arrow may have any electronic device attached that controls the flight of the arrow. Devices that may be attached to a bow or arrow shall include lighted pin, dot or holographic sights; illuminated nocks; rangefinders; film or video cameras; and radio-frequency location devices. Arrows used for hunting big game and turkeys must be equipped with broadhead points that cannot pass through a ring 3/4-inch in diameter when fully expanded. Non-broadhead arrows may be in possession while hunting but may not be used to take or attempt to take big game animals. Devices capable of dispensing lethal, debilitating or immobilizing chemicals may not be used to take big game animals. Handguns may be possessed during big game archery seasons but may not be used to take big game.

Firearm: centerfire rifles and handguns that are not fully automatic, while using only tumble on impact, hard-cast solid lead, soft point, hollow point, or other expanding bullets; shotguns using only slugs.

Muzzleloader: muzzleloading rifles or muskets that can be loaded only through the front of the firing chamber with separate components and that fire a bullet of .40 inches diameter or larger. Only hard-cast solid lead, conical lead, or saboted bullets may be used with muzzleloading rifles, pistols and muskets. Handguns may be possessed during big game muzzleloader only seasons but may not be used to take big game unless they are muzzleloading handguns.

Range-finding devices and optical scopes or sights that project no visible light toward the target and do not electronically amplify visible or infrared light may be used with any equipment.

PERMIT DESCRIPTIONS Hunting restricted to unit(s) listed on permit.

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Resident Any-season Whitetail Either-sex

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed deer Any-season White-tailed Deer permits are valid statewide in any season with equipment legal for that season. Available over the counter and online through Dec. 31, 2023 to residents only.

Resident Firearm Either-species/Either-sex

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed or mule deer

Firearm Either-species/Either-sex Deer permits are valid either in the West Zone, (see map) or in the East Zone (see map) during the regular firearm season using any legal equipment. Limited permits available to residents only by draw. Application deadline June 9, 2023.

Resident Muzzleloader Either-species/Either-sex

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed or mule deer Muzzleloader Either-species/Either-sex Deer permits are valid either in the West Zone, (see map) or in the East Zone (see map) during the muzzleloader-only and regular firearm seasons using muzzleloading or

muzzleloader-only and regular firearm seasons using muzzleloading or archery equipment only. Available over the counter and online through Dec. 31, 2023 to residents only.

Resident Archery Either-species/Either-sex

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed or mule deer

Resident Archery Either-species/Either-sex Deer permits are valid statewide with archery equipment during archery season. Available over the counter and online through Dec. 31, 2023 to residents only.

Nonresident Muzzleloader Whitetail Combo

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe or fawn white-tailed deer AND one (1) white-tailed antlerless deer

Nonresident Muzzleloader Whitetail Combo permits are available only by draw and are valid in one designated unit and one adjacent management unit listed on the permit during the muzzleloader-only and regular firearm seasons (muzzleloading or archery equipment only). Application deadline is the last Friday in April.

Nonresident Archery Whitetail Combo

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed deer AND one (1) white-tailed antlerless deer

Nonresident Archery Whitetail Combo permits are available only by draw and are valid in one designated unit and one adjacent management unit listed on the permit and DMU 19. Application deadline is the last Friday in April.

Nonresidents who receive a Nonresident Archery or Muzzleloader Whitetail Combo permit valid in Deer Management Unit 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 17 or 18 may also apply for one of a limited number of Mule Deer Stamps. If drawn, their permit becomes a Nonresident Archery or Muzzleloader Either-Species/Either-sex permit with a bag limit of one (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed or mule deer in one designated unit and one adjacent management unit listed on the permit.

Nonresident Firearm Whitetail Combo

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed deer AND one (1) white-tailed antlerless deer.

Nonresident Firearm Whitetail Combo permits are available only by draw and are valid in one designated unit and one adjacent management unit listed on the permit during the regular firearm season. Application deadline is the last Friday in April.

Hunt-own-land

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn mule or white-tailed deer

Hunt-own-land permits are valid for any season with equipment legal for that season on lands owned and operated for agricultural purposes. This permit is available to individuals who qualify as landowners, tenants, nonresident landowners or as family members living with the resident landowner or tenant. Available over-the-counter and online.

Special Hunt-own-land

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn mule or white-tailed deer This permit may be issued to a resident landowner's or tenant's siblings and lineal ascendants or descendants, and their spouses, whether or not they are Kansas residents, (for example, a grandson and his wife, a daughter and her husband, a parent, or a brother and his wife would be eligible for this permit. A landowner's or tenant's uncle, aunt, nephew, niece, or cousin is not eligible for this permit.) The permit is valid only on lands owned or operated by the landowner or tenant, and may be used in any season with equipment legal for that season. Permits are limited to one per 80 acres owned or operated. Available over-the-counter and online.

Whitetail Antlerless Only

Bag Limit: One (1) white-tailed deer without a visible antler protruding from skull.

As many as five Whitetail Antlerless-Only (WAO) deer permits may be purchased. The first WAO permit purchased is valid in Units 1-17 and 19, including KDWP-managed public hunting areas within those units. Four additional permits may be issued to the same individual and are valid only in units 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 10A, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 19 on private land with landowner permission, Walk-In Hunting Areas, and Elk City and Berentz-Dick wildlife areas. WAO permits are valid during any season with equipment legal for that season and are available over-the-counter and online through January 31, 2024.

All unfilled deer permits convert to firearm whitetail antlerless-only permits for the extended seasons.

PERMIT CLASSES

Resident: A resident is defined as any person who has continuously lived in Kansas for 60 days immediately preceding the person's application for a hunting license or permit. Members of the armed services on active duty who were Kansas residents at the time of entering the service, and immediate family members living with them, are considered residents regardless of duty station. Members of the armed services on active duty and officially stationed in Kansas may purchase resident licenses and permits, except for lifetime licenses. Any holder of a Kansas lifetime hunting license who has moved from the state may apply for permits as a resident. Any person who is a registered full-time student in residence at a public or private secondary, post secondary, or vocational school located in Kansas may purchase resident licenses. While hunting, the student must carry evidence of being a full-time student residing in Kansas.

Landowner/Tenant: A landowner is any resident who owns 80 acres or more of Kansas farm or ranch land. When applying for a landowner/tenant permit, land owned must be in the unit applying for.

A tenant is any resident or nonresident who is actively engaged in the agricultural operation of 80 acres or more of Kansas farm or ranch land for the purpose of producing agricultural commodities or livestock and (A) has a substantial financial investment in the production of agricultural commodities or livestock on such farm or ranch land and the potential to realize substantial financial benefit from such production or, (B) is a bona fide manager having an overall responsibility to direct, supervise and conduct such agricultural operation and have the potential to realize substantial benefit from such production. Evidence of tenancy, if requested, shall be provided to the department and may include, but is not limited to, Natural Resource Conservation Service records, Farm Service Agency records, or written agricultural contract or lease documentation. Land must be located in the unit you are applying for to qualify.

Members of the immediate family who are domiciled with a resident landowner or tenant may apply for a resident big game permit as a landowner or as a tenant, but at least 80 acres must be owned by such landowner or operated by such tenant for each individual applying as a landowner or as a tenant.

Nonresident Landowner: Any nonresident who owns 80 acres or more of Kansas farm or ranch land. Nonresident landowners may purchase Hunt-Own-Land deer permits, but only those listed on the deed are eligible.

Nonresident: Anyone who doesn't qualify in the definitions above.

Youth: All youth 15 and younger qualify for deer permits at reduced prices. Resident youth 15 and younger do not need a hunting license. All nonresident youth 15 and younger must have a nonresident youth hunting license. Youth 17 and younger may hunt during the Youth Season, but 16 and 17-year-olds must have regular deer permits and hunting licenses.

POST-HARVEST INSTRUCTIONS

At the time of purchase, hunters will have the option of paper carcass tags or mobile/E-tag.

PAPER TAGS: Sign PERMIT prior to hunting to validate it. After an animal is harvested, the CARCASS TAG must be signed, dated and attached to the animal in a visible manner before the carcass is moved from the harvest site.

Paper permits and tags purchased through the internet must be printed on a desktop printer at the time of purchase. To protect nonwaterproof paper tag, cut it from the permit, place in a clear plastic bag and attach it to the animal with a zip-tie or other secure manner.

The carcass tag must remain attached to the animal during transport and kept with the meat until it is consumed, given to another or otherwise disposed of.

Hunters using paper tags can complete a

voluntary harvest report of their big game animal if they wish to "boneout" in the field.

Go to: ksoutdoors.com/harvest-reporting and follow the online instructions on how to complete the

harvest report for your animal.

MOBILE/E-TAGS: Hunters who choose e-tags at time of purchase will keep permit and tags on their mobile device through the GoOutdoorsKS mobile app. After harvest, open the "GoOutdoorsKS" mobile app and follow the instructions on the app for the e-tag appropriate for the species/sex of harvest. An e-tag confirmation number will work the same as harvest reporting for a hunter wanting to bone out an animal and transport only meat from harvest site.



SURVEYS: Hunters may be asked to complete online HARVEST SURVEY'S at the end of the season. Information received helps biologists make decisions to manage a healthy game populations. A random sample of hunters will be contacted, making it important for update your address information each year when purchasing a permit/tags. Hunters surveyed will receive an email or a postcard with a link to direct them to an online survey. Questions about this survey or assistance in completing surveys may be obtained through the KDWP Research and Survey Office, (620) 342-0658. State law (K.S.A. 32-937) requires hunters receiving a harvest report card complete the survey.