

2022 Plum Island Nuisance Deer Control Program

Application Instructions:

1. **Completed Special Use Permit Applications (Form 3-1383-G) must be received by mail or e-mail by 4:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 20, 2022.**

Completed applications should be e-mailed to Joel_Vos@fws.gov, or mailed to **Green Bay NWR, Attention: Plum Island Hunt Application, 2661 Park Haven Road, New Franken, WI 54229.**

Questions should be directed to Refuge Manager Joel Vos at 920-948-4988 or Joel_Vos@fws.gov.

2. The Special Use Permit Application and Rules and Regulations of the refuge can be found on the Green Bay National Wildlife Refuge website, under the "Visit" section link.
https://www.fws.gov/refuge/Green_Bay/
3. Applicants must fill out Parts 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, and 26 on the application. **Applicants must be 18 years old or older to apply. Each individual applicant must sign the application (Form 3-1383-G) to be eligible for the drawing.** Cell phone numbers are preferred, so that we can contact you on short notice if no deer tags remain.
4. Permit holders may take up to eight people with them to hunt.
5. Each hunt period is 5 days, beginning on Wednesday, and ending Sunday. Mondays and Tuesdays are excluded from hunt periods to allow staff time to notify subsequent groups of remaining tags, and prevent hunting group overlap.
6. There will be a total of 30 deer tags (1 deer per tag). Groups will be notified by refuge staff prior to their hunt period exactly how many tags remain to be filled. When all 30 of the tags have been filled, all subsequent groups will be notified, and the nuisance control program will end for the year.
7. There are eleven 5-day hunting periods in 2022.
 - Period 1: October 12-16
 - Period 2: October 19-23
 - Period 3: October 26-30
 - Period 4: November 2-6
 - Period 5: November 9-13
 - Period 6: November 16-20
 - Period 7: November 23-27
 - Period 8: November 30-
December 4
 - Period 9: December 7-11
 - Period 10: December 14-18
 - Period 11: December 21-25

8. Random Drawing: **A random drawing will be held on September 23, 2022 for every completed application received.** Each application will be numbered 1-(number of applicants). Successfully drawn applicants will be assigned a hunt period 1-11 in the order drawn. For example the first applicant drawn will get period 1, and the 2nd applicant drawn will get period 2, and so on. The drawing will be conducted by refuge staff of the Green Bay National Wildlife Refuge. The drawing will have one non-refuge staff member present, who is not participating in the drawing to witness the event. **Only successful applicants will be notified by September 27, 2022 with the email and/or phone number provided in their permit application.**
9. In the event that there are less than eleven applicants, each applicant will draw a hunt period, and then the drawing would continue by re-entering all application numbers, and drawing until the remaining hunt periods are filled.
10. Successful applicant Permit Submission Deadline: **SUCCESSFUL applicants must return their signed permit and all required documents by October 7, 2022. The permit package will be e-mailed to successful applicants by September 27, 2022.** Failure to return the permit package and all required documents by required deadline may result in denial of permit application.

In addition to the information above, the following permit stipulations will include:

1. All persons assisting in removal of animals must comply with all requirements of the State of Wisconsin Nuisance Permit issued to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. A copy of the State Nuisance Permit will be provided to each permittee.
2. The permit holder must make sure all unfilled tags are returned to the lock box, so subsequent groups may use them. The Deer Harvest Log must be submitted by 8:00 P.M. on Sunday, the final day of that groups hunt.
3. All tags will be placed in a lock box located on the back side of the large Green Bay National Wildlife Refuge sign near the dock. Permit holders will be provided the lock box combination when they receive their permit.
4. Shooting of both does and bucks is permitted.
5. Only firearms are allowed, including shotgun, muzzleloader, and rifle (**Town of Washington Ordinance #2013-06**).
6. Entry and departure of the island may not exceed 1 hour before or 1 hour after legal hunting hours found in 2022 State of Wisconsin hunting regulations.

7. Access is allowed by docking, or beaching the boat between the dock and ferry landing area.

8. Groups must comply with all refuge Rules and Regulations, which can be found on the Green Bay National Wildlife Refuge website <https://www.fws.gov/refuge/green-bay/visit-us/activities/hunting>