



## Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuge Hunting Regulations 2022–2023

The signing of this permit validates it as your general refuge hunting permit and must be in your possession while participating in authorizing refuge hunting activities. Expiration Date: January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

I have read and understand these regulations.

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Hunters Signature

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Date

### For more information:

Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuge  
1434 316<sup>th</sup> Lane, Missouri Valley IA, 51555  
712-388-4803 or 402-679-9020 (Refuge Law Enforcement)

### REFUGE HUNTING PERMIT:

All hunters must possess a refuge hunting permit. This brochure, when signed and in your possession, serves as a permit for all refuge lands.

### STATE REGULATIONS:

All state regulations apply including hunting methods, license, tagging, and reporting requirements. Additional Refuge-Specific regulations are outlined in this brochure and in Title 50 CFR. All commercial activities, including guided hunts, are prohibited.

### REFUGE HOURS:

Two hours before sunrise and two hours after sunset. Contact refuge law enforcement to remain after closing hours to retrieve or track wounded game.

### ARCHERY SEASONS:

Boyer Chute is open to archery deer and archery fall and spring turkey seasons. Season dates and legal archery equipment align with Nebraska State Regulations. See map for archery zone areas.

### ARCHERY SAFETY ZONE ON TRAILS:

Boyer Island will remain open to other public uses during overlapping archery seasons. Archery hunters must be 50 yards clear of public trails when hunting.

### STANDS, BLINDS, & OTHER PROPERTIES:

Only portable stands and blinds may be placed on the refuge during applicable hunting season. Trail cameras are not allowed.

- We allow two portable tree stands/blinds per hunter within the Archery hunt area. Of those, only one stand/blind can be left on refuge from one week prior to the start of the designated hunt season to one week after the end of the designated hunt season.
- Hunters must remove all stands, blinds, and other property by one week after the close of the designated season.
- Unattended stands and blinds must be plainly labeled with full name and/or hunting license number of the owner. Labels must be visible from the ground.
- Spikes, nails, screw-in bow holders, and any items that penetrate the outer bark of a tree are prohibited.
- Cutting or altering of tree branches or any vegetation is prohibited.
- During any deer firearm season, ground blinds must display a 12 inch by 12 inch patch of solid blaze orange material visible in all directions.
- Stands and blinds not in full compliance with these regulations are subject to removal.

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## RADIOS:

The use of two-way mobile radio transmitters to communicate location of game or coordinates movement of hunters is prohibited.

## ALCOHOL:

Possession or use of alcoholic beverages while hunting is prohibited.

## COMPANIONS:

Only legal hunters holding the proper state hunting license may enter and hunt the refuge hunting areas. Unlicensed companions are not permitted in the hunting area when not open to the general public.

## DEER DRIVES:

Participation in organized deer drives is prohibited.

## LITTERING:

You may not field dress any game within 100 feet of the centerline of any refuge road or parking lot. You may not dispose of an animal carcasses on refuge property. All ribbon & flagging must be removed by the end of the hunt season.

## WATERFOWL HUNTING:

Waterfowl hunting is permitted along the Missouri River boundary of the refuge and within the backwaters to the high bank of the Boyer Island Unit. Contact refuge office for map and more information on waterfowl hunting regulations – 712-388-4803.

## BLAZE ORANGE:

All hunters (including archery) must display blaze orange that meets their respective states firearms season requirements during any DEER season in which firearms are allowed on the refuge (Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> 2022).

## MUZZLELOADER DEER HUNT – ANTLERLESS ONLY

### **SEASON: DECEMBER 10-18<sup>TH</sup> 2022.**

1. To access the hunt area, hunters must possess:
  - a. Nebraska Season Choice- Wahoo Unit OR Statewide Muzzleloader Permit.
  - b. Nebraska Habitat Stamp
  - c. Boyer Chute Hunt Access Permit (this permit)
2. Only antlerless deer may be harvested with muzzleloader. Hunters may fill as many valid state tags as they possess.
3. Hunters must follow all state and federal deer hunting regulations for the permit they hold, this includes: hours, hunting methods, tagging requirements, and permit requirements.
4. Entry into the hunting areas is only allowed during these dates for the muzzleloader hunt. Archery hunters can still hunt within the archery zones.
5. Legal Weapons: All weapons and scopes allowed under the state requirements of a muzzleloader may be used.
6. Only legal hunters may enter and hunt during this time. No companions, unless required, such as a youth hunter.

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1-800-344-WILD

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## Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuge Hunting Map

