

# CATLIN PARK-LASALLE COUNTY ARCHERY DEER RULES AND REGULATIONS

**LOCATION:** LaSalle County just off Route 71 between Utica, IL and Ottawa, IL on RR #4 2560<sup>th</sup> E. 1251<sup>st</sup> Road, Ottawa IL 61350

**DESCRIPTION:**

Acquired in 1970 by the LaSalle County. The 333 acre park comprises approximately 135 acres available for hunting.

**HUNTING INFORMATION:** Deer Archery – Tree Stand ONLY – Antlerless Deer Harvest

**OPEN SEASON:** 1st Day of NOVEMBER until JANUARY 18<sup>th</sup>

**Exception:** CLOSED during the IDNR State gun seasons and:

Thanksgiving Week-end      Thanksgiving Day thru Sunday  
Christmas Eve – Christmas Day  
New Year's Eve – New Year's Day

**PARK ARCHERY HUNTING HOURS:** One hour before sunrise  
One hour after sunset

**\*ACTUAL HUNTING TIMES (in stands) 30 MINUTES BEFORE SUNRISE AND 30 MINUTES AFTER SUNSET**

- **ON A DAILY BASIS ONLY 10 PRE-REGISTERED HUNTERS WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE PARK AT THE SAME TIME FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS.**

**NON-PERMANENT TREE STANDS:**

Hunting from Tree Stands ONLY allowed if the below requirements shall be met:  
(All Hunters except handicapped Hunters with State Permit must use a tree stands)

All Hunters MUST have a SAFETY BELT or HARNESS that attaches them to the tree that the stand is mounted to while they are on the stand.

Manufactured Stands ONLY of the following type: **(NO HOMEMADE STANDS will be allowed)**

- Climbing stands
- Ladders stands
- Climbing Sticks with hanging stands
- Telescopic leg stands

Stands, MUST HAVE attachment devices that will attach the stand to the tree.

**No Penetrating devices may be used on the Trees.**

**All Stands MUST BE a MINIMUM DISTANCE of 100 Yards between Stands**

**ONE Stand, PER HUNTER.** Stand must be in tree and every stand **MUST HAVE** a PERMANENT *ID CARD* with a MINIMUM 5" x 8" SIZE WITH 1" LETTER that includes HUNTER'S PERMIT NUMBER, NAME, and PHONE NUMBER and Clearly Visible at time of stand placement.

**Violation of this rule will result in revocation of that year's hunting privilege and removal of stand.**

The stand may be moved during season but park manager must be notified of new placement. Stands may be placed in trees beginning the third and fourth Saturday in the month of October.

**ALL STANDS SHALL BE REMOVED FROM CATLIN PARK BY JANUARY 18<sup>th</sup>**

**NOTICE:** Stand(s) left in the trees or on the grounds of Catlin Park after season are done so at the expense of the owner(s) or party responsible for bringing the stand(s) into and out of Catlin Park.

**LaSalle County has not responsible for damage or theft of stands caused by any person or occasion**

**CATLIN PARK – LASALLE COUNTY  
ARCHERY DEER HUNT REGISTRATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: (emergency purpose) \_\_\_\_\_

Hunting License Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Hunter Safety Card Number: (for those born after 1980) \_\_\_\_\_

**LIABILITY WAIVER:**

**NOTICE: THIS WAIVER AGREEMENT IS A CONTRACT WITH LEGAL CONSEQUENCES. READ IT CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING.**

I acknowledge that ARCHERY HUNTING at CATLIN PARK in LASALLE COUNTY is a PRIVILEGE, and the above information is truthful and accurate. I also acknowledge that I have **read, understand, and agree** to abide by all CATLIN PARK rules and regulations as well as all IDNR rules and regulations as found in the Illinois Wildlife Code, Federal Regulations, and administrative orders. Failure to comply with any of the above will result in the immediate loss of hunting privileges at CATLIN PARK-LASALLE COUNTY and will be subject to prosecution as appropriate by State and Federal authorities.

**RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT**

I further acknowledge that I am voluntarily participating in ARCHERY HUNTING at Catlin Park in LaSalle County and that such actives have an inherent risk of injury and I will be personally responsible for my own safety during said ARCHERY HUNTING activity and assume all risks and accept full and complete responsibility for any and all property damages and personal injury of any kind.

As lawful consideration for being permitted by the County of LaSalle and its elected Board, officers, employees, agents, servants and volunteers herein referred to as "Releasees" to engage in ARCHERY HUNTING at Catlin Park in LaSalle County, the undersigned does for himself/herself, his/her heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, guardians, distributees, and assigns, collectively referred to as "Releasors", hereby release, waive, discharge, and relinquish any action or causes of action for personal injury, property damage, or wrongful death which may hereafter arise from ARCHERY HUNTING at Catlin Park in LaSalle County or any pursuit incidental thereto, wherever or however said pursuit may occur, and for any period said ARCHERY HUNTING activities and pursuits may continue.

The undersigned further agrees that under no circumstances will Releasors prosecute or present any claim against Releasees for any causes of action, for personal injury, property damage, or wrongful death, whether the same shall arise by the negligence or non-intentional conduct of any of said Releasees from ARCHERY HUNTING activities or any pursuit incidental thereto.

## EXHIBIT "A"

The undersigned and the remaining Releasors hereby agree to indemnify, save and hold harmless the Releasees and each of them from any loss, liability, damage or costs (including attorney fees) which Releasees may incur as a result of injury, death or property damage to the undersigned, or from suit from such personal injury, death and/or property damage to the undersigned.

This Agreement is intended to be as broad as is permissible under the law of the State of Illinois, and this Agreement shall be interpreted under the laws of the State of Illinois. If any portion of this Agreement is invalid and/or is declared to be invalid by a Court of Law, the balance of the Agreement shall continue in full force and effect.

The undersigned has read and voluntarily signs the release and waiver of liability and indemnity Agreement and further agrees that no oral representations, statements, or inducements apart from the foregoing written Agreement have been made. The undersigned acknowledges that he/she has read the foregoing paragraphs and is completely aware of the potential dangers incident to engaging in the ARCHERY HUNTING and is fully aware of the legal consequences of signing the within instrument.

Name: (Please print) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### **PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN for under 18 years old but over age 14:**

**Name: (Please print)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Relationship to Underage 18-year-old but over age 14:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Copy of Guardianship on File with this Waiver:** \_\_\_\_\_

“USE LASALLE COUNTY STAMP”

LaSalle County Archery Permit Number \_\_\_\_\_

LaSalle County Parks Director \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

## EXHIBIT "A"

### **CATLIN PARK- LASALLE COUNTY SPECIAL HUNT AREA RULES**

1. Anyone wishing to archery hunt deer at Catlin Park must pre-register at the LaSalle County Catlin Park Office, located at **2560 E. 1251<sup>st</sup> Road**, Ottawa, IL, during, **9:00** a.m. to **5:00** p.m. on **the Second and Third Saturday in October**. **No Permits will be issued** after the last Sunday in October.  
Upon approved registration, a Catlin Park Archery Permit will be issued and is valid for the Catlin Park Deer Season.

At the time of registration all hunters must have in their possession:

- A. Possessing a valid hunting license and a State issued Archery/Cross Bow Permit
- B. Current habitat stamp if required by IDNR
- C. Hunter safety card number, (for those born after 1980)

2. Hunters must be 18 years old prior to the designated hunting dates and liability waiver must be signed.  
Persons under the 18 years old but over age 14 may accompany a pre-registered adult if the adult is the Parent/legal guardian of the person under age 18, maintains full responsibility for and continued visual contact for said underage person and signs the waiver for the underage person.
3. Archery/cross bow hunting in designated hunt areas only.
4. **Only Antlerless Deer may be harvested. The PENALTY for harvesting an ANTLERED deer [BUCK] will be a fine of \$250.00 and revocation of the all-future Catlin Park hunting privileges and confiscation of deer.**
5. All archery hunters must have a Catlin Park Archery TWO PART Permit and display it on your vehicle dashboard and one on the person in an area visual from a distance during daily hunts.
6. All archery hunters must sign in at the provided sign-in board before hunting. Hunters are also required to sign-out and record any harvest on sheets provided prior to departing the park. Only ten authorized archery deer hunters shall be allowed to hunt in the park per day
  - **A. HUNTER MAY NOT SIGN-IN for any other hunter. Sign-in for Yourself ONLY**
  - **B. Hunter MUST also Record their IDNR harvest number on the sign in/out sheet. Violation of this rule will result in revocation of this year's hunting privileges.**
7. Hunting from Tree Stands only allowed and if the below requirements are met:

**\*Manufactured Stands ONLY of the following type: (NO HOMEMADE STANDS will be allowed)**

- Climbing stands
- Climbing Sticks with hanging stands
- Ladders stands
- Telescopic leg stands

Stands, except climbing stands, **MUST HAVE** attachment devices that will attach the stand to the tree.

**All Stands MUST BE a MINIMUM DISTANCE of 50 Yards between Stands**  
**No Penetrating devices may be used on the Trees.**

**ONE Stand, PER HUNTER** may remain in tree during season and every stand **MUST HAVE** a **PERMANENT ID CARD** with a **MINIMUM 5" x 8" WITH 1" LETTER** that **includes** HUNTER'S PERMIT NUMBER, NAME, and PHONE NUMBER and Clearly Visible at time of stand placement.

**Violation of this rule will result in revocation of that year's hunting privilege.**

The Stand must remain in its original placement until season is over or stand is removed for season. Stands may be placed in trees beginning third or fourth Saturday in the month of October.

**All hunters MUST affix their hunter's identification card to their stand at the time of stand placement.**  
**Violation of this rule will result in revocation of that years hunting privileges.**

**Said Hunters identification card shall remain affixed to the stand throughout the season or be subject to removal**

**NOTICE:** Stand(s) left in the trees or on the grounds of Catlin Park, after season, are done so at the expense of the owner(s) or party responsible for bringing the stand(s) into and out of Catlin Park. LaSalle County has no responsibility for damage or theft of stands.

8. No archery hunting during Illinois statewide gun seasons.
9. All deer harvests must be reported to IDNR as outlined in the statewide rules and regulations.
10. NO trespassing without permission of Park Ranger or Tenant into any of the Catlin Park crop fields for any reason while crops are present.
  
11. Tracking off County Property – Must call park employee/representative in order to gain permission from landowner prior to entering any private properties.
12. Pre-Season scouting may be done during regular park hours.
13. Plastic markers, flagging tape, and reflective tree markers are prohibited.
14. **No HUNTING Thanksgiving Week-end (Thanksgiving Day-Sunday), Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve or New Year's Day**

**15. ALL STANDS SHALL BE REMOVED FROM CATLIN PARK BY JANUARY 18<sup>TH</sup>**

**SPECIAL NOTE:**

All IDNR Deer hunting rules and regulations found in the Illinois wildlife code and federal regulations and administration orders will apply. Any non-compliance will result in the immediate loss of hunting privileges at Catlin Park and prosecuted as appropriate by the State of Illinois and Federal agencies.

**UNLAWFUL ACTS:**

- A. To hunt with anything other than a bow and arrow or crossbow as permitted during archery season, days and hours.
- B. To hunt outside designated hunting areas established by Catlin Park
- C. To park your vehicle outside designated parking areas.
- D. No motorized vehicles of any kind are allowed on any part of the interior trails, croplands, & hunting areas.
- E. For any reason to consume any alcohol beverages or illegal drugs or to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs illegally prescribed or legal while on the Catlin Park property for the purpose of hunting.
- F. To hunt by stalking
- G. For a person under the age 18 years old but over age 14 hunting without a waiver signed by parent or legal guardian.
- H. **To harvest Antlered Deer [BUCK]** *The PENALTY for harvesting an ANTLERED deer [BUCK] will be a fine of \$250.00 and revocation of the all-future Catlin Park hunting privileges and confiscation of deer*
  
- I. To have an unauthorized Tree Stand or not having Permanent **ID CARD consisting** of Hunter's Permit Number, **with a MINIMUM 5" x 8" WITH 1" LETTER that includes HUNTER'S PERMIT NUMBER, NAME, PHONE NUMBER and be Clearly Visible at all times.**  
*Violation of this rule will result in revocation of that year hunting privilege.*
- J. Field dressing deer within 50 feet of trails.

For further information contact the Parks Department during business hours 8:00 am- 4:30 pm Monday thru Friday 815-434-0518