

Archery Hunting Overview

Michigan State University is a 501(c) 3 Educational Institution and operates MSU W.K. Kellogg Experimental Forest. The priority of Kellogg Forest is research, outreach, and education. The property is owned by MSU, but open to the public during posted hours to increase recreational opportunities for the surrounding community.

Archery hunting is a popular and important recreational activity at Kellogg Forest. Hunters play a significant role in deer management and data collection associated with fluctuations in population size and health to mitigation of browse damage of active research. Kellogg Forest offers one of the most unique hunting experiences in southwest Michigan with 157 different species of trees growing in various cover types on 720 acres.

The hunting program helps MSU by improving the amount and quality of data collected. It will also enable MSU Staff to keep hunters informed about upcoming research, management, or educational events which have priority over other activities. Most importantly, monitoring who accesses the property allows MSU to provide the safest experience possible for all hunters, visitors, and staff.

Hunters must apply for a Kellogg Forest Archery Hunting Permit each season from **May 1**st **through July 31**st. Hunters may apply for the annual permit as an individual or a hunting group (**up to 3 people**).

Hunters will be provided packets which will include the annual permit, parking pass, harvest sheets, maps, previous season newsletter, and other important information.

Hunters are required to complete harvest sheets while hunting as part of the hunting program at Kellogg Forest. The harvest sheets must be submitted to the Kellogg Forest Manager at the end of the season.

Photos of your harvest are encouraged and will be included in the annual newsletter!

Kellogg Forest hunters will be required to comply with all Michigan DNR rules and requirements, including obtaining and displaying a license and submitting any samples for collection.

Data collected may be shared with Michigan Department of Natural Resources, other educational institutions and state and federal partners to help promote important wildlife management and research.

Please refer to the Archery Hunting Permit Application Process for additional information regarding important dates, permit fees and related terms and conditions.



Archery Hunting Permit Application Process

Applications are available online at www.canr.msu.edu/kelloggforest

Hunting dates: Regular Season only – October 1st – January 1st.

Archery Hunting Permit Application Requirements

- Initialed copy of Hunting and Tree Stand Policy (attached, 1 page)
- Signed copy of Hunting Permit (up to 3 pages)
- Cash or Check for fee(s); make check payable to Michigan State University

You may submit the Application via email to for.kelloggforest@msu.edu or by mail. Payment should be mailed to:

MSU W.K. Kellogg Experimental Forest • 7060 N 42nd Street, Augusta, MI 49012

Please write on envelope: "Attention – Hunting Application" Questions? Call or email: (269) 731-4597 or for.kelloggforest@msu.edu

Hunting Permit Fee

Annual Permit: \$35 per hunter (Kellogg Forest ONLY)

Combo Permit: \$65 per hunter (hunting privileges at Kellogg Forest and Russ Forest)

Applications and payment accepted May 1st through July 31st.

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NON-REFUNDABLE - ALL SALES ARE FINAL

Hunting Packet

Applications will be processed after <u>July 31st</u>. Hunters will receive materials digitally via email provided on application. Parking permits will be mailed to the address provided on application.

Hunting Packet: Includes parking pass with hunter or group ID, hunting permit, harvest/data sheets, map, and newsletter.

Hunters who do not submit harvest sheets will not be eligible to hunt the following season.

Use and Restrictions

- The Permit must be kept on the hunter's person while hunting on MSU Kellogg Forest grounds.
 Copies of Permits are <u>NOT</u> permitted. The parking pass must be prominently displayed in vehicle while hunting.
- 2) The Permit is for the sole use of the hunter(s) named. Designated MSU representatives may ask for permit, photo ID, and hunting license to verify they are the hunter named on the permit.
- 3) There is a \$25 replacement fee for any lost permit or parking pass.

Hunting & Tree Stand Policy

Hunting Policy Initials Date

- **ABSOLUTELY NO FIREARMS** permitted on Michigan State University property.
- -Registration is required DAILY at the office.
- -One hunter or hunting group per hunting zone only
- -Select one numbered hunting site from the map. First come, first serve basis.
- -Register location on sign in sheet. <u>ALL INFORMATION IS REQUIRED TO REGISTER.</u>
- -When parking, **DO NOT** block gates, roadways, or access drives. Vehicles found to be in violation may be TOWED at owner's expense
- -NO HUNTING in Safety Zones, within 450ft of any building or 150ft of gravel loop. (Lemmien Loop)
- -NO BAITING allowed.
- -Please review the TREE STAND POLICY before using a tree stand.
- -Observation Sheets and any Harvests must be recorded and submitted by the end of hunting season.
- -All other State Regulations apply.

Tree Stand Policy

- -AS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW, only temporary portable stands or platforms can be used in the Forest. Stands cannot be affixed or attached to any tree by nails, screws, or bolts. Stands and blinds cannot be placed on MSU lands any earlier than Sept. 1st, and must be removed by March 1st. Stands and blinds left on MSU land outside of these dates will be deemed abandoned and may be disposed of by MSU in its discretion.
- -Hunter or Group ID must be prominently displayed on the stand or platform.
- -Stands and tree steps cannot cause excessive damage to trees; screw-in steps are NOT permitted.
- -Stands cannot be placed in black cherry, oak, or walnut trees; it is the responsibility of the hunter to identify tree species.
- -Stands must not be visible from the main (gravel) forest road, and cannot within 450 feet of any building.
- Only a minimum of branches may be removed, using hand pruners, to improve shooting lanes. Branches cannot be cut with saws or loppers or torn by hand.
- Only temporary blinds may be used.

^{***}Kellogg Forest is a multiple-use property open to the public. You may be briefly interrupted by other visitors passing by on hiking trails. Any hunter harassment by other visitors or dogs off leash should be promptly reported to management. Management will do its best to inform hunters of operational activities during business hours. However, you may be inadvertently interrupted by research, management or educational activities which take priority.



REQUIRED APPLICANT INFORMATION Full Name_____ Date of Birth_____ Vehicle Make/ Model _____ License Plate # _____ Hunting License # Street Address City, State and Zip Code_____ **EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION** Full Name______ Relationship______ Phone _____ Alternate Phone ____ _____, the undersigned, applicant for a Kellogg Forest Archery Hunting Permit, assume all risks and agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless Michigan State University and its trustees, employees, agents and volunteers, against any and all claims, demands, suits, or loss, including all costs connected therewith, including but not limited to attorney fees, which arise out of or are in any way connected with my use of Kellogg Forest. I have read all of the Permit's terms, conditions, uses and restrictions as described herein and in the related Policy. I agree to strictly adhere to all of these terms, conditions, and restrictions. I understand that if I violate any of these terms, conditions, or restrictions, Kellogg Forest may revoke my Archery Hunting Permit, without any refund of fees paid, and may refuse to issue a Permit to me in the future. The Permit is the property of the Kellogg Forest and must be returned if your Permit is revoked. Hunter's Signature Date

Date

Kellogg Forest Manager



***This page is Not Applicable if application is for individual hunter. ***

HUNTING GROUP REPRESENTATIVE NAME

ANNUAL PERMIT – GROUP PERMIT For 2nd and 3	designated hunters, as needed Date of Birth
	License Plate #
Hunting License #	
Phone	
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Street Address	
City, State and Zip Code	
EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION	
Full Name	Relationship
Phone	Alternate Phone
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2 nd Hunter Signature	Date
Kellogg Forest Manager's Signature	Date



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3 rd Hunter Full Name	Date of Birth
Vehicle Make/ Model	License Plate #
Hunting License #	
Phone	
Email	
Street Address	
City, State and Zip Code	
EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION	
Full Name	Relationship
Phone	Alternate Phone
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3 rd Hunter Signature	 Date
Kellogg Forest Manager Signature	 Date



For Office Use Only Archery Hunting Permit and Parking Pass(s) Permit # ______ Permit Type (circle one) Individual / Group Kellogg Forest / Combo Hunter Name: ______ 2nd Permit # _____ Hunter Name: ______ Total Fee Due \$ _____ Payment Method (circle) Cash Check # _____ Permit Approved By ______ Date Approved

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