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## Hunter Use Permits

We require a Land Between the Lakes Hunter Use Permit for all hunters age 16 and older. This is in addition to state licenses and tags. Purchase permits online at [www.landbetweenthe lakes.us](http://www.landbetweenthe lakes.us), at our welcome stations and facilities, or anywhere Kentucky and Tennessee state hunting licenses are sold. Hunter Use Permits cost \$25. We offer a \$35 combination Hunter Use and Backcountry Camping permit for hunters age 18 and older. Hunter Use Permits are good from March 1 - February 28.

## Hunter Safety Requirements

All hunters must possess a hunter safety card as required by state regulations. Additionally, all youth hunters not required to carry a hunter safety card by the states must receive basic hunter safety instructions and carry a verification form signed by a responsible adult. All hunters and youth sponsors must wear visible items of hunter orange as required by state regulations.

## Tree Stands and Ground Blinds

We allow portable tree stands, climbing devices and ground blinds. These stands and climbing devices must not injure trees. Do NOT use nails, spikes, or screw-in devices. All portable stands must display owner's name and address. Portable stands may be placed on trees within the two weeks before hunting season begins. Remove them within one week following hunting season.

## Please report

- Your harvest before leaving Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area
- Hog sightings at 270-924-2065
- Poaching at 877-861-2457



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## General Guidelines

1. Emergency — dial 911
2. See something, say something - dial 270-924-2000 or Law Enforcement at 877-861-2457.
3. Pack it in; pack it out — leave no trace behind
4. You are responsible for your own safety.
5. For campfires, use only dead and downed limbs for fuel. Attend the fire at all times and follow Smokey's rules to put the fire out completely. Use existing fire rings during high fire danger seasons.
6. Protect yourself from bug bites and ticks.
7. Firearms strictly prohibited except during established Land Between the Lakes hunting season by legally licensed hunters with permits.
8. Respect the Resource — leave historical items, plants and flowers for others to enjoy. This includes respecting the homes of our wildlife and respecting our trails and roads during wet conditions.

### Find our camping rules at

<http://www.landbetweenthe lakes.us/seendo/camping/camping-rules/>

### All State and Federal Regulations Apply

The two most common hunting violations are carrying a loaded or uncased firearm in a vehicle and driving on illegal roads or fields.

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## Land Between the Lakes

USDA Forest Service National Recreation Area  
1-800-525-7077 or 270-924-2000  
[www.landbetweenthe lakes.us](http://www.landbetweenthe lakes.us)

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# 2016-2017 Deer Hunting ~ Fact Sheet ~

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## Land Between the Lakes USDA Forest Service National Recreation Area Kentucky | Tennessee

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## Permits

While hunting, hunters must carry on their person the following items: Land Between the Lakes Quota Hunt Permit—if applicable, Land Between the Lakes Hunter Use Permit, appropriate state hunting license, deer permit, and hunter safety card as required by state regulations.

Permits can NOT be changed, altered or transferred to another hunter.

## Quota Hunts

To participate in our Quota Deer Hunt, hunters must apply online between July 1-31 and be selected in a computer drawing. We will assign you a hunt area. Hunters selected will need to print their permit from our quota hunt website. To apply, visit <https://lbtquotahunt.hometracker.com/> or call 270-924-2065

## New in 2016-17 Season

We worked with Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources and Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency to help protect our deer population from further decline especially in Kentucky. New this deer hunting season:

- Limited bonus deer to youth quota hunts only
  - On the Kentucky portion, shortened the archery season and reduced bag limit from 2 to 1
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# 2016-2017 Deer Hunting Information



## Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area

	Kentucky	Tennessee
<b>Quota Hunt Firearms</b>		
Legal firearms include muzzle loading or conventional shotguns, rifles or handguns per state regulations		
Quota hunters are required to check out harvested deer at hunter stations before leaving recreation area		
Deer hunters may also harvest armadillos and coyotes		
Dates	November 19 - 20	November 11 - 12 and 26 - 27
Dates Youth	October 22 - 23	October 15 - 16
Youth Ages	15 years old and younger	6 to 16 years old
Youth Sponsor	One adult 21 years or older must accompany one youth	
Check-out Hunter Stations	Hunter Check Station	South Welcome Station
	Golden Pond Visitor Center	Next closest station
	North Welcome Station	

	Kentucky	Tennessee
<b>Archery and Crossbow Hunt</b>		
Hunters can harvest one either sex turkey with state permit, squirrel, woodchucks, armadillo, and coyotes		
Equipment must conform to state regulations and hunters may NOT carry firearms		
Archery	September 24 - October 20	September 24 - October 13
	October 24 - November 17 November 21 - January 8	
Crossbow	October 1 - 16	November 13 - 24
	November 12 - 17 November 21 - December 31	November 28 - January 8

	Kentucky	Tennessee
<b>State Licenses, Tags and Bag Limits</b>		
State License	12 years and older	13 years and older
Hunter Use Permit	16 years and older	16 years and older
Antlered Bucks	Visible antler above the hairline excluding button bucks	Visible antler above the hairline
European Fallow Deer	NOT legal to hunt	
Bonus Deer	Youth Quota Hunt only	Youth Quota Hunt only
Quota	One deer of either sex unless an antlered buck has already been harvested during our archery/crossbow seasons	
Archery/Crossbow	One deer, either sex unless a buck was already harvested	Two deer, only one of which can be an antlered buck
Antlered Buck	One total per season on Land Between the Lakes	

### General Hunting Regulations

- Licensed motorized vehicles permitted on numbered roads only. You can find these roads on our Hunt Recreation Maps and Motorized Vehicle Use Map online under "maps" at <http://www.landbetweenthe lakes.us/visit/maps/>. Other roads are for administrative access only. Parking is permitted within one vehicle length of a legal road. Avoid blocking emergency vehicle access to any road or trail. Please refrain from rutting fields and roads.
- Do not leave campfire rings/rocks in fields or roads.
- Unlicensed motorized vehicles are allowed only in the Turkey Bay Off-Highway Vehicle Area and require a permit. Turkey Bay is an archery-only area for deer hunting.
- When transporting firearms in a vehicle, keep them cased and unloaded in both chamber and magazine.
- It is unlawful to hunt within 150 yards of any developed area or trail.
- Nature Watch Areas, wildlife refuges, safety zones around facilities, and other posted areas are closed to hunting.
- The placement of bait or hunting over bait, including food or mineral substances, is prohibited.
- Use of any artificial light to locate wildlife is prohibited at all times.
- Do not use paint, tape, flagging, or other artificial materials to mark trees, trails, or routes.
- Hunting deer from horseback or with dogs is prohibited.
- Hunters must not be under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances.
- Be sure to check your harvested deer before leaving Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area.**
- Remember to observe all applicable state and federal regulations.
- To protect the future of hunting, please remain courteous and helpful to our visitors.

Tennessee, Kentucky and Land Between the Lakes hunting regulations apply.  
Deer hunt hours: one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset

For more information, call our Environmental Stewardship Department at 270-924-2065, Monday through Friday from 8am to 4pm Central Time.