



# Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge

## *2011 Deer Hunt Information*

**This is the Last Year for the Priority Point System.** Due to Federal laws regarding information that we may collect from the public, 2011 is the LAST year that we will use the priority point system to select hunters. Following this year's drawing, all information, including hunters' accumulated point totals, will be removed from our system. The refuge will employ a random lottery selection process to issue permits in 2012.

Applicants may either apply online OR submit an application card to the refuge, not both. There is no fee to apply. **Cards must be postmarked by August 1, 2011. The online application closes at 11:59 p.m. on August 1, 2011.**

### Instructions for Applying

1. Applicants may only apply **once** either online or by submitting a card. Only one hunt may be selected. Hunt choice code numbers are listed on back.
2. If you apply online visit our website at <http://www.fws.gov/midwest/shiawassee> and click on the hunting link for more information or visit [www.huntshiawassee.org](http://www.huntshiawassee.org)
3. If submitting a card by mail or in person, include the following information on 3 1/2" x 5" card and send to:  
**Shiawassee NWR Deer Hunt, 6975 Mower Rd., Saginaw, MI 48601:**

Name  
Address, including City, State and Zip Code  
Phone Number  
Driver's License Number or Sportcard Number  
Hunt Choice Code Number

**See our website for the  
Tittabawassee River floodplain  
Wild Game Advisory  
information.**

\*Please indicate if any of the above information has changed from past years.

\*Hunters who apply for the Non-Ambulatory Shotgun Hunts (Wheelchair Hunts) **MUST** apply by card only.  
**If card cannot be read or has incomplete information, it will not be entered into the drawing.**

4. Hunters may apply with one partner. Please note that if either partner submits incomplete information, he/she will not be entered into the drawing; the other partner's information will still be entered as long as it's complete. Partners must apply for the same hunt choice code number. Each hunter must fill out a card and then mail both cards, stapled together, in one envelope. **NO helper permits will be issued at a later date; hunters must apply with a partner if they need help in the field.**
5. Youth hunters must apply with a partner aged 18 or older. Youth hunters must have Hunter Safety certification. **NO helper or supervising adult permits will be issued at a later date.**
6. Only successful applicants will be notified by mail before September 9, 2011. Hunters may also check our website to determine if he/she was drawn.
7. **Permits cost \$15.** All permits must be claimed by October 28, 2011.

### Priority Deer Drawing System Guidelines

- A priority drawing system was started in 2001 and will end with the 2011 season.
- Hunters who apply this year and already have points in our system will have a better chance of being drawn for popular either sex hunts compared to a first-time hunter with zero points.
- Only two people can apply together as partners.
- Law enforcement data is tied to the program to delete those applicants who are still serving probation periods.
- Probation periods assigned to refuge violations will be served consecutively.
- The hunter is responsible for notifying us of any changes to his/her address, phone number, identification number, etc. so that points can be transferred if necessary.

## Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge - Pre-Registered Hunts

Hunt Choice Code	2011 Dates	Hunt Type <sup>1</sup>	Hunt Area	Number Hunters	No. of 2010 Applicants	Harvest Permits
201	Oct. 29 – Nov. 02	Archery or Crossbow Only	1 & 5	150	534	Antlerless Only
202	Nov. 03 – Nov. 07	Archery or Crossbow Only	1 & 5	100	702	Either Sex
203	Dec. 01 – Dec. 05	Archery or Crossbow Only	1 & 5	100	177	Either Sex
204	Dec. 27 – Dec. 31	Archery or Crossbow Only	1 & 5	100	157	Either Sex
205	Nov. 15 – Nov. 16	Shotgun (Non-Ambulatory) <sup>2</sup>	3	18	20	Either Sex (Wheelchair Hunt)
206	Nov. 17 – Nov. 18	Shotgun (Non-Ambulatory) <sup>2</sup>	3	18	19	Either Sex (Wheelchair Hunt)
207	Nov. 19 – Nov. 20	Shotgun Only	2	30	NEW	Antlerless Only
208	Nov. 19 – Nov. 20	Shotgun Only	3	80	154	Antlerless Only
209	Nov. 26 – Nov. 27	Shotgun Only	2	30	NEW	Either Sex
210	Nov. 26 – Nov. 27	Shotgun Only	3	80	85	Antlerless Only
211	Dec. 09 – Dec. 10	Muzzleloader Only	2	30	99	Either Sex
212	Dec. 09 – Dec. 10	Muzzleloader Only	3	80	681	Either Sex
213	Dec. 11 – Dec. 12	Muzzleloader Only	2	30	75	Antlerless Only
214	Dec. 11 – Dec. 12	Muzzleloader Only	3	80	427	Antlerless Only

<sup>1</sup> Hunters are restricted to using only the weapon of the hunt type listed

<sup>2</sup> Shotgun (Non-Ambulatory) – hunters are in a wheelchair. Must apply by card only (see front).

**Hunt Areas:** (Maps will be included in the hunter packet or can be downloaded from our website)

- **Area 1** - The entire refuge “core”
- **Area 2** - Area bordered by the northern boundary of the refuge, south to the Shiawassee and Cass Rivers, plus Green Point Island. (*Former Hunt Area 4 was merged with Hunt Area 2*)
- **Area 3** - Entire refuge except for the area north of the Shiawassee and Cass Rivers, and Green Point Island.
- **Area 5** – Cass River Unit in Bridgeport Township.

**Scouting Dates:** September 10 and 11, 2011, daylight hours only, during our annual Open House Weekend.

**APPLY ONLINE:** Visit <http://www.fws.gov/midwest/shiawassee> and click on “Hunting” for more information.

**Deadline to apply on-line is 11:59 p.m., August 1, 2011. Partner selection rules are defined on our website.**

Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge, 6975 Mower Road, Saginaw, MI 48601. Phone: 989/777-5930, V/TTY Users: 800/649-3777 (Michigan State Relay System). Equal opportunity to participate in, and benefit from programs and activities of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is available to all individuals regardless of physical or mental disability. For information please contact the U.S. Department of Interior, Office for Equal Opportunity, 1849 C Street NW, Washington, DC 20240