

Permit Application
Eastport Special Hunt for Antlerless Deer
November 26, 2018 – December 8, 2018

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Town: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Mailing Address (if different from Street Address): _____

Town: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone #: _____

Email address: _____

Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY): _____

If you wish to hunt with a bow, please provide:

2018 Maine Archery License #: _____

If you wish to hunt with a crossbow, please provide:

2018 Maine Hunting License #: _____

and Crossbow Safety Course Completion Certificate (attach copy)

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For Junior Hunters (<16 years)

Junior Hunting License #: _____

Name of Adult Supervisor: _____

Adult Supervisor Hunting License #: _____ (or attach a copy of a Hunter's Safety Course Certification)

Note: An Adult Supervisor may not possess a bow and arrow or crossbow during the Eastport Special Hunt unless they are also granted a permit.

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A total of 30 Permits will be issued.

Applications must be received at City Hall no later than 4PM on Tuesday, October 16, 2018.

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Eastport, Maine 04631
207-853-2300
clerkeastport@gmail.com

Information on State of Maine required safety courses for archery and crossbow can be found at:
<https://www.maine.gov/ifw/programs-resources/safety-courses/index.html>

2018 Eastport Special Hunt for Antlerless Deer Details

Timing: This proposed special hunt will be for two continuous weeks directly after the close of regular firearms season; from Monday, November 26 – Saturday, December 8, 2018.

Hunting Locations and Methods: All hunting will be conducted by archery or crossbow and will take place from a fixed ground blind or elevated stand. Ground blinds will also be referred to as stands for the purposes of this plan. All hunting stand locations will be placed on identified properties consisting of both private and municipal lots. To be eligible, stand locations must be in conformance with city ordinance and state laws for required setbacks from other structures and dwellings unless appropriate permissions have been obtained.

Hunters: A total of 30 permits will be issued to qualified applicants. City administrators found that 30 was a manageable number of hunters in 2016 and 2017 given the limited amount of available, huntable land and for the staff time required. Successful hunters from 2016 and 2017 will be given preference if they apply for permits in 2018. This could result in a maximum allocation of 18 permits (6 resident, 12 non-resident) to previously successful hunters. The purpose for permitting previously successful hunters is to increase the number of antlerless deer harvested. These hunters have demonstrated the skills and dedicated effort necessary to assist us. The remaining available permits would be allocated by lottery, with residents given priority. The requirement for a minimum of 10% of permits issued to non-Eastport residents will likely be exceeded by the past successful hunter preference.

Qualifications and Application Process: All hunters will apply to the City of Eastport by Tuesday, October 16, 2018 at 4PM. Applicants are required to hold a valid 2018 archery license, or a valid 2018 hunting license and a crossbow safety course completion certificate. Eastport officials will provide a list of potential permittees to MDIFW for background checks and permitting. Eastport officials will draw additional names by lottery in case some applicants do not meet all eligibility requirements or choose to drop out.

Number of deer: One harvest tag will be issued to each of the 30 qualified permittees. An additional 60 tags will be held by City officials and issued singly, on a first-come first serve basis, upon request after a hunter has registered an antlerless deer at the tagging station.

Regulations: All MDIFW hunting regulations will apply to this special hunt with the exception of season timing-and bag limit.

Violations: Anyone not hunting in compliance with MDIFW regulations/permits and City of Eastport ordinance/criteria will be in violation of the special hunt provisions, will be terminated from further participation in the special hunt, and subject to appropriate legal action by the City and/or State.

Tagging Station: The tagging station will be at Bay City Garage, 93 County Road, Eastport. All deer taken during the special hunt are required to be registered at the tagging station within 16 hours of harvest.

Biological Samples: Tagging station staff and trained volunteers will extract a tooth from each deer for submission to MDIFW with corresponding registration information to assess the age composition of the deer herd. All does will be examined for evidence of lactation and for ticks. If found, tick samples will be collected and submitted to Maine Medical Research Institute.

Donation of animals for local food banks: Hunters for the Hungry (H4H) will pay for the processing of any donated deer at Blake's Custom Cut Meats in Alexander that will be distributed to the Garapy Food Pantry in Eastport and to other local food banks. H4H also offered this service during the 2016 and 2017 special hunts.