



Department of Forestry
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
W.K. Kellogg Experimental Forest

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. 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, observation sheets, maps, previous season newsletter, and other important information. Hunters are required to complete observation sheets while hunting as part of the hunting program at Kellogg Forest. The observation sheets must be delivered 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.



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Archery Hunting Permit Application Process

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

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 required fee(s); make check payable to Michigan State University

You may submit the Application Package in person at MSU Kellogg Forest office in Augusta, during regular business hours, or mail 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)

*****Completed Application and all fees due must be submitted by September 1st.*****

Hunting Packet

Applications will be processed as received. Please allow **2 to 4 weeks** for processing. Hunters will be notified when hunting packets are ready for pick up at the Kellogg Forest Office.

Hunting packet includes: Parking pass with hunter or group ID, hunting permit, observation/data sheets, map, and newsletter.

Use and Restrictions

- 1) The Permit must be kept on the hunter's person while hunting on MSU Kellogg Forest grounds. Copies of Permits are **NOT** permitted. The parking pass must be prominently displayed in vehicle while hunting at Kellogg Forest.
- 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. Hunters who cannot verify their identity will be asked to leave Kellogg Forest and Michigan DNR Conservation Officers will be notified immediately.
- 3) There is a \$25 replacement fee for any lost permit or parking pass.



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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. **ALL INFORMATION IS REQUIRED TO REGISTER.**
- 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 portable stands or platforms can be used in the Forest. Stands cannot be affixed or attached to any tree by nails, screws, or bolts. 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.
- Trees that are less than 9 inches diameter at chest height cannot be hunted from.
- 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 be erected in the picnic grounds or 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 ground blinds may be used.
- Stands must be removed at the end of the hunting season. Stands and blinds left in the forest after January 15th will be deemed abandoned and may be disposed of by MSU in its discretion.

***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.



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Archery Hunting Permit Application

REQUIRED APPLICANT INFORMATION

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 _____

I, _____, 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

Kellogg Forest Manager

Date

Director of Land Management

Date



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Check box to indicate this page is Not Applicable (single hunter permit application)

HUNTING GROUP REPRESENTATIVE NAME

ANNUAL PERMIT – GROUP PERMIT For 2nd and 3rd designated hunters, as needed

2nd Hunter Full Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Vehicle Make/ Model _____ License Plate # _____

Hunting License # _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Street Address _____

City, State and Zip Code _____

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 2nd Hunter Signature

 Date

 Kellogg Forest Manager's Signature

 Date

 Director of Land Management

 Date



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3rd Hunter Full Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Vehicle Make/ Model _____ License Plate # _____

Hunting License # _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Street Address _____

City, State and Zip Code _____

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3rd Hunter Signature

Date

Kellogg Forest Manager Signature

Date

Director of Land Management

Date



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Archery Hunting Permit Application

For Office Use Only

Archery Hunting Permit and Parking Pass(s)

Permit # _____ Permit Type (circle one) Individual / Group

Hunter Name: _____

Issued By: _____ Date: _____

2nd Permit # _____ Permit Type (circle one)

Hunter Name: _____

Issued By: _____ Date: _____

3rd Permit # _____ Permit Type (circle one)

Hunter Name: _____

Issued By: _____ Date: _____

Total Fee Due \$ _____

Amount Paid \$ _____ Date Paid _____

Payment Method (circle)

Cash

Check # _____

Permit Approved By _____

Date Approved _____

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