

Archer Information Sheet

Legal Name of Applicant: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____ Date of Birth: _____

CSCD Freeholder? Yes ____ No ____ If no, state contact information of freeholder who is sponsoring you:

Name of Freeholder: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Freeholder Signature: _____ Lot Number: _____

Hunting Location Information

State Name, Address, Parcel Identification Number, and Acreage for each property you intend to hunt. Note that each property owner listed must sign a "Permission to Hunt on Private Land" Form, and copies of those forms must be attached to this application.

Owner Name	Address	Lot Number

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Hunter Checklist

- ☐ Signed Archer Information Sheet
- ☐ Permission to Hunt on Private Land Form for each property to be hunted (except when hunting on only on your own property)
- ☐ Signed Rules and Regulations
- ☐ Signed CSCD Indemnification, Hold Harmless, and Release Agreement
- ☐ Signed Archery Proficiency Certification – Provided at Hunter Orientation on October 11th.
- ☐ Legible photocopy of State of Indiana hunting license and Legible photocopy of driver's license or
- ☐ state ID Card – may be emailed to Dawn@Rustysanimalcontrol.com

CHAP Coordinator Use Only

Hunter is:

- ☐ Approved with no restrictions.
- ☐ Approved with restrictions:

- ☐ Not Approved.

CHAP Coordinator Signature: _____

Date: _____

Permit Number: _____

Cordry-Sweetwater Conservancy District
2025-2026 Deer Reduction Rules and Regulations

It shall be lawful to hunt deer, for the purpose of population management, only within the CSCD, subject to all of the following terms and conditions:

1. All hunters must attend one of the following **mandatory** safety orientations and pass an archery proficiency test:

Saturday, October 11th @ 10:00am

Orientation will be held at the CSCD Fire Station. Hunters shall bring the equipment they intend to hunt with to orientation. This includes practice broadhead(s) and safety harnesses.

2. Hunting shall take place only on those properties where topography, size, and population density would permit a safe hunt. Hunting shall be confined to approved areas only.
3. The property owner(s) and the hunter shall preview the property boundaries prior to hunting. All hunting locations within the hunting area are subject to CSCD approval prior to hunting.
4. No person shall hunt or take deer by any means except a crossbow and bolt or a bow and arrow.
5. If the person is not the lawful owner of the land upon which deer shall be hunted or taken, then written permission of the landowner(s) must be secured and be carried with the person at all times while on the land to be hunted.
6. Any person who hunts or takes deer must first apply to the CHAP Coordinator for a hunting authorization permit. A permit shall be issued only after a determination that the applicant has:
 - a. Secured all necessary state licenses;
 - b. Obtained the written permission of the owner(s) of the land upon which deer shall be hunted and/or retrieved;
 - c. Passed an archery proficiency test;
 - d. Completed all required application documentation; and
 - e. Attended a safety orientation.
7. Hunters shall demonstrate safe hunting practices at all times. Reckless or dangerous behavior will not be tolerated.
8. Hunters who are not freeholders may hunt within the CSCD **only if** sponsored and accompanied by a freeholder at the safety orientation. Freeholders will be held responsible for the hunters they sponsor.
9. This is a reduction hunt. Please hunt accordingly.
10. Hunters shall comply with all local and state laws.

11. Hunting shall be permitted ONLY during the following time periods:

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Hunting Hours</u>
2025	
October 25 th – November 14 th	Legal Hunting Hours
2026	
January 3 th – January 11 th	Legal Hunting Hours

12. Hunters who demonstrate their commitment to the safety and effectiveness of the hunt may be eligible to hunt certain weekday evening hours in November. Hunters must fill two deer reduction zone tags within the CSCD to be qualified. Such hunting shall occur during legal evening hunting hours, weather permitting.
13. Hunters are required to check in daily for a briefing at the CSCD fire station. Briefings will be held promptly at 7:30 a.m. Hunters are required to communicate to the CHAP Coordinator where they will hunt that day. At the conclusion of each day's hunt, regardless of harvest, each hunter shall report back to the firehouse regarding hunting conditions.
14. If the hunter was successful on any given day, the hunter shall report back to the firehouse with the animal. At that time, the hunter should report the location the animal was taken, and the sex and approximate age of the animal shall be confirmed by the CHAP Coordinator. Facilities will be available to field dress the animal and the CHAP Coordinator will properly dispose of the entrails. No entrails are to remain on any properties within the CSCD, buried or otherwise. If the hunter chooses to donate the meat, a refrigerated trailer will also be available.
15. Hunting shall occur only from elevated platforms unless otherwise approved by CHAP Coordinator.
16. Hunters must allow the CHAP Coordinator access to their tree stand to ensure proper placement. The CHAP Coordinator has the right to enter any property where permission has been given to hunt if it pertains to hunting and/or public safety.
17. No fires, camping, or littering.
18. Use of drugs and alcohol will not be tolerated.
19. Hunters must park only in the area designated by the property owner. No parking along CSCD roads.
20. Hunters shall transport the deer so that they are not visible.

21. Hunting may be permitted on certain limited common ground areas deemed safe by the CHAP Coordinator. The hunter must receive daily permission from the CHAP Coordinator to hunt any common ground areas. Hunting shall **never** occur in the nature trails area.
22. The hunter shall refrain from recording any video footage or photographic imaging of any kind with any devices, including via the use of cellular or smart phones, pertaining to any hunting activity while within the CSCD. If posted on social media, please do not refer to the CSCD.
23. The CHAP Coordinator may deem a property or any portion thereof unsuitable for hunting at any time if he determines it is in the best interest of the public.
24. The CHAP Coordinator may terminate the hunter's privileges within the CSCD upon violation of these rules. The CHAP Coordinator may also suspend the hunter's privileges within the CSCD pending an investigation into alleged violation of these rules.

I agree to conduct all the hunting privileges granted by this permit in a safe and ethical manner and to comply with all the rules and regulations set forth herein. I understand that my failure to comply with the rules and regulations set forth herein will result in the immediate termination of my hunting privileges.

Signature

Printed Name

Date

INDEMNIFICATION, HOLD HARMLESS, AND RELEASE AGREEMENT

THIS INDEMNIFICATION, HOLD HARMLESS AND RELEASE AGREEMENT is made this ____ day of _____, 2025 by and between _____ ("Hunter") and the Cordry-Sweetwater Conservancy District ("CSCD");

WHEREAS, Hunter desires to participate in a deer hunt on private property within the legal boundaries of the CSCD, which has been deemed a Deer Reduction Zone by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources; and,

WHEREAS, in exchange for allowing the Hunter to hunt within the Deer Reduction Zone, the Hunter desires to hold harmless and release CSCD from any claims and/or litigation arising out of access to and use of property within the Deer Reduction Zone, and to further indemnify and hold harmless CSCD against any claim brought by any entity in connection with the hunt, and, further, Hunter acknowledges the inherent risks associated with hunting and agrees to voluntarily assume any and all risks associated therewith.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

Hold Harmless. Hunter shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the CSCD from any and all actual or alleged claims, demands, causes of action, liability, loss, damage, and/or injury (to property or persons, including without limitation wrongful death), whether brought by an individual or other entity, or imposed by a court of law or by administrative action of any federal, state, or local governmental body or agency, arising out of or incident to any acts, omissions, negligence, or willful misconduct of the Hunter in connection with or arising out of the Hunter's access to and use of property within the Deer Reduction Zone. This indemnification applies to and includes, without limitation, the payment of all penalties, fines, judgments, awards, decrees, attorney fees, and related costs or expenses, and any reimbursement to the CSCD for all legal expenses and costs incurred by it.

Release. The Hunter further releases and discharges, to the fullest extent allowed by law, CSCD, its agents and employees ("Released Parties"), from any claim that the Hunter may have against the Released Parties on account of bodily injury or property damage while participating in the deer hunt. Hunter further acknowledges that the sport of hunting carries with it inherent dangers and risks of bodily injury and property damage and Hunter specifically acknowledges that Hunter understands the risks associated with hunting and voluntarily assumes said risks as a condition of being allowed to participate in CSCD's deer hunt.

HUNTER

Signature: _____

Printed: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature if under 18:

CSCD

Signature: _____

Printed: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Permission To Hunt On Private Land Form

TO BE RETAINED BY THE HUNTER

According to IC 14-22-10-1, a person may not hunt on privately owned land without consent of the owner or tenant of the land. According to IC 34-31-9, natural resource-based activities, including hunting and fishing, are considered agritourism activities. An agritourism provider is a person who provides the opportunity for agritourism activities whether or not the participant pays to participate in the activity.

WARNING - Under Indiana law, an agritourism provider is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in agritourism activities at this location if the death or injury results from the inherent risks of agritourism activity. Inherent risks of agritourism activities include risks of injury inherent to land, equipment, and animals as well as the potential for you to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to your injury or death, or for other participants to act in a manner that may cause you injury or cause your death. You are assuming the risk of participating in this agritourism activity.

Participant's Name _____

Participant's Signature _____ Date _____

Permitted Activities: ☐ Hunting ☐ Fishing ☐ Trapping ☐ Other

Restrictions/Additional Information _____

Landowner's /Tenant's Name _____

Landowner's/Tenant's Phone _____

Landowner's/Tenant's Signature _____

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TO BE RETAINED BY THE LANDOWNER/TENANT

Under IC 34-31-9, you are not liable for the injury or death of someone participating in natural resource-based activities on your property if the death or injury results from the inherent risks of such activity. Inherent risks include risks of injury inherent to land, equipment, and animals as well as the potential for the participant to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to their injury or death, or for other participants to act in a manner that may cause their injury or death. The participant assumes the risk of participating in natural resource-based activities on your property.

The law does not prevent or limit the liability of an agritourism provider who has knowledge or reasonably should have known of a dangerous condition on the land and does not make the danger known to the participant, resulting in injury, damage, or death to the participant; or who commits an act or omission that constitutes willful or wanton disregard for the safety of the participant; or who intentionally injures the participant.

Participant's Name _____

Participant's Signature _____ Date _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Vehicle Make _____ Vehicle Model _____

Vehicle Color _____ Vehicle License Plate No. _____

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Restrictions _____