



**2016  
DEER CREEK STATE PARK  
YOUTH ARCHERY DEER HUNT  
OVERVIEW**



**Hunt Location:** The Deer Creek State Park is located in Pickaway Co., 6 miles south of Mt. Sterling, OH 43143, at 20635 State Park Road 20.

**Hunt Information Contacts:** Monday – Friday between the hours of 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.; Deer Creek State Park, 740-869-3124, or Wildlife District 1, 614-644-3925.

**Hunt Dates and Hours:** October 15 & 16, 2016. Youth hunters may hunt from ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset. Hunting hours may be found in the Official Sunrise/Sunset Tables for **Eastern Ohio** in the Ohio Hunting & Trapping Regulations Booklet (Publication 5085) or at [www.wildohio.gov](http://www.wildohio.gov).

**Hunt Details:** 8 youth hunters will receive one permit that allows access for themselves, one other youth hunter of their choice and a maximum of two fully licensed non-hunting adults who must be 18 years of age or older. The permit will be good for both days for the same youth hunters on both days (no substitutions after 1st day).

Youth Hunters will not be assigned to separate hunting units but may choose their own stand or blind sites within the designated hunting unit. Manufactured tree stands and portable hunting blinds are permitted. Constructing permanent-type tree stands, or placing spikes, nails, wires or other metal objects into a tree to act as steps or to hold a tree stand on is prohibited. Placing, distributing, or scattering salt, grain or other feed capable of luring, enticing or attracting deer (baiting) is prohibited. Hunting for game animals other than deer and wild boar is prohibited.

The adult hunter must accompany the youth hunters at all times. The adult hunter must stay within a distance from the youth hunters that enables uninterrupted, unaided visual and auditory communications. Adult hunters are **PROHIBITED** from leaving youth hunters unaccompanied to drive, walk-up, herd or otherwise push deer towards the waiting youth hunters.

**Pre-Hunt Scouting:** Youth hunters (accompanied by an adult, 18 years or older) may scout and place tree stands or blinds in the hunting unit on October 8, 9, and 10, 2016 between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M..

**Bag Limits:** Deer of either sex may be taken on this hunt. Since this is a Division of Wildlife Controlled Deer Hunt, the bag limit is **six deer**. Antlerless deer taken during the Deer Creek State Park Youth Archery Deer Hunt **do not count** towards your **season** bag limit of **nine deer**. However, only one antlered deer may be taken statewide, regardless of when or where it is taken. Consult the Ohio Hunting & Trapping Regulations Booklet (Publication 5085) or [www.wildohio.gov](http://www.wildohio.gov) for Division of Wildlife Controlled Deer Hunt and Antlerless Deer Permit bag limits & rules.

**Hunting Implements:** All deer hunting implements that are legal during the Statewide Archery Deer Season are permitted. Consult the Ohio Hunting & Trapping Regulations Booklet (Publication 5085) or [www.wildohio.gov](http://www.wildohio.gov) for applicable rules and equipment.



## DEER CREEK STATE PARK 2016 YOUTH ARCHERY DEER HUNT REGULATIONS



A Special Youth Archery Deer Hunting Permit is required to hunt deer on the Deer Creek State Park during the Youth Archery Deer Hunt. Please read this document carefully, as you will be required to adhere to all special regulations.

1. All **youth hunters age 17 or younger** (hereinafter referred to as *youth hunters*) must possess and carry with them a valid Ohio Hunting License and Deer Permit to hunt deer during the Deer Creek State Park Youth Archery Deer Hunt.
2. All youth hunters must be accompanied by a fully licensed non-hunting adult who is 18 years of age or older (hereinafter referred to as *adult hunter*) who possesses and carries with them a valid Ohio Hunting License and Deer Permit. The adult hunter **may not** hunt, take or attempt to hunt or take deer.
3. One adult hunter may accompany a maximum of two properly licensed youth hunters age 17 or younger.
4. The **Deer Creek State Park Youth Archery Deer Hunting Permit** (hereinafter referred to as the *Permit*) allows the adult hunter and up to two youth hunters to enter the designated Hunting Unit on the following dates & times and only for the purposes specified:
  - **October 8, 9, and 10, 2016:** Within the designated Hunting Unit between 8:00 A.M.- 5:00 P.M. to scout and/or to place blinds or tree stands.
  - **October 15 and 16, 2016:** Within the designated Hunting Unit between 6:00 A.M.- 8:00 P.M.; Archery hunting only during legal shooting hours.
  - **October 17, 2016:** Within the designated Hunting Unit between 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. to remove blinds or tree stands and/or recover deer.
5. Legal shooting hours may be found in the Official Sunrise/Sunset Tables for **Eastern Ohio** in the Ohio Hunting & Trapping Regulations Booklet (Publication 5085) or online at [www.wildohio.gov](http://www.wildohio.gov).
6. The Permit is only valid when the adult hunter is present. The adult hunter and the accompanying youth hunters must carry the Permit with them at all times while scouting, placing/removing blinds or tree stands and while hunting or attempting to recover deer within the designated Hunting Unit.
7. The Permit may be transferred to another adult hunter and youth hunters prior to the first day of the hunt. Once the adult hunter and the youth hunters hunt for the first time, the Permit may no longer be transferred.
8. Manufactured tree stands and portable hunting blinds are permitted. Constructing permanent-type tree stands, or placing spikes, nails, wires or other metal objects into a tree to act as steps or to hold a tree stand on is prohibited.
9. This is an archery only hunt. All hunting implements that are legal for deer hunting during the Statewide Archery Deer Season are permitted.
10. The adult hunter and the accompanying youth hunters must stay within the boundaries of the designated Hunting Unit at all times while scouting, placing/removing blinds or tree stands and while hunting or attempting to recover deer. The designated Hunting Unit boundaries will be clearly marked.
11. The adult hunter and the accompanying youth hunters may not place blinds or tree stands nor may they hunt within 50 yards of a roadway, building, picnic area, campground, or parking area or within a posted "NO HUNTING Zone" in the designated Hunting Unit. "NO HUNTING" Zones will be clearly marked.
12. Vehicles must be parked in designated parking areas only.
13. No off-road vehicles are allowed. The adult hunter and the accompanying youth hunters must walk to and from their stand sites. Access for mobility impaired participants must be pre-arranged. Please notify the Deer Creek State Park Manager at least one week prior to your hunt date if assistance is needed.
14. The adult hunter and the accompanying youth hunters may not proceed to their stand sites before 6:00 A.M. on their hunt dates. Hunters may travel between their vehicles and stand sites as necessary throughout the day.

15. The adult hunter must accompany the youth hunters at all times. The adult hunter must stay within a distance from the youth hunters that enables uninterrupted, unaided visual and auditory communications.
16. Deer drives are **PROHIBITED** at Deer Creek State Park. The adult hunter is **PROHIBITED** from leaving youth hunters unaccompanied to drive, walk-up, herd or otherwise push deer towards the waiting youth hunters.
17. Deer of either sex may be taken on this hunt. Since this is a Division of Wildlife Controlled Deer Hunt, the bag limit is six deer. Antlerless deer taken during the Deer Creek State Park Youth Archery Hunt do not count towards your statewide season bag limit of nine deer. However, only one antlered deer may be taken statewide, regardless of when or where it is taken. Antlerless Deer Permits are also valid for this hunt. Consult the Ohio Hunting & Trapping Regulations Booklet (Publication 5085) or [www.wildohio.gov](http://www.wildohio.gov) for Division of Wildlife Controlled Deer Hunt and Antlerless Deer Permit bag limits & rules.
18. Each deer taken must be temporarily tagged before hunting or pursuing another deer.
19. Deer may not be field dressed nor may entrails or other deer parts be discarded within 50 yards of any roadway, building, trail, picnic area, campground, parking area, or within a posted "NO HUNTING Zone" in the designated Hunting Unit.
20. Hunting for game animals other than deer and wild boar is prohibited.
21. Placing, distributing, or scattering salt, grain or other feed capable of luring, enticing or attracting deer (baiting) is prohibited.
22. The adult hunter must make every attempt to ensure that shots taken by their youth hunters will result in quick clean kills. Once the shot is taken, hunters must make a reasonable attempt to recover all deer that are killed or wounded.
23. The adult hunter and the accompanying youth hunters may not go beyond the Hunting Unit boundaries to recover a deer **UNLESS** they first receive permission to do so from the Deer Creek State Park Manager or his designated representative.
24. The adult hunter and the accompanying youth hunters must exit the designated Hunting Unit no later than 8:00 P.M. each day.
25. The trail of deer not recovered by 8:00 P.M. the first day of the hunt must be abandoned and may be taken up again on **the second day**. The trail of deer not recovered by 8:00 P.M. on **the second day of the hunt** must be abandoned and may be taken up again on **following day**. Any deer not recovered by 5:00 P.M. on **the day following the 2-day hunt** will be considered lost. No one will be permitted to be within the designated Hunting Unit after 5:00 P.M. the day following the 2-day hunt.
26. All hunting blinds and tree stands must be removed from the designated Hunting Unit by 5:00 P.M. on the day following the 2-day hunt.

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In addition to these special regulations, all Division of Wildlife rules and regulations applicable to the Statewide Archery Deer Season are also in effect during the Deer Creek State Park Youth Archery Deer Hunt. Official deer hunting rules and regulations may also be found in the Ohio Hunting & Trapping Regulations Booklet (Publication 5085) and online at [www.wildohio.com](http://www.wildohio.com).

**Contact the Deer Creek State Park, Mt. Sterling, Ohio at (740) 869-3124,  
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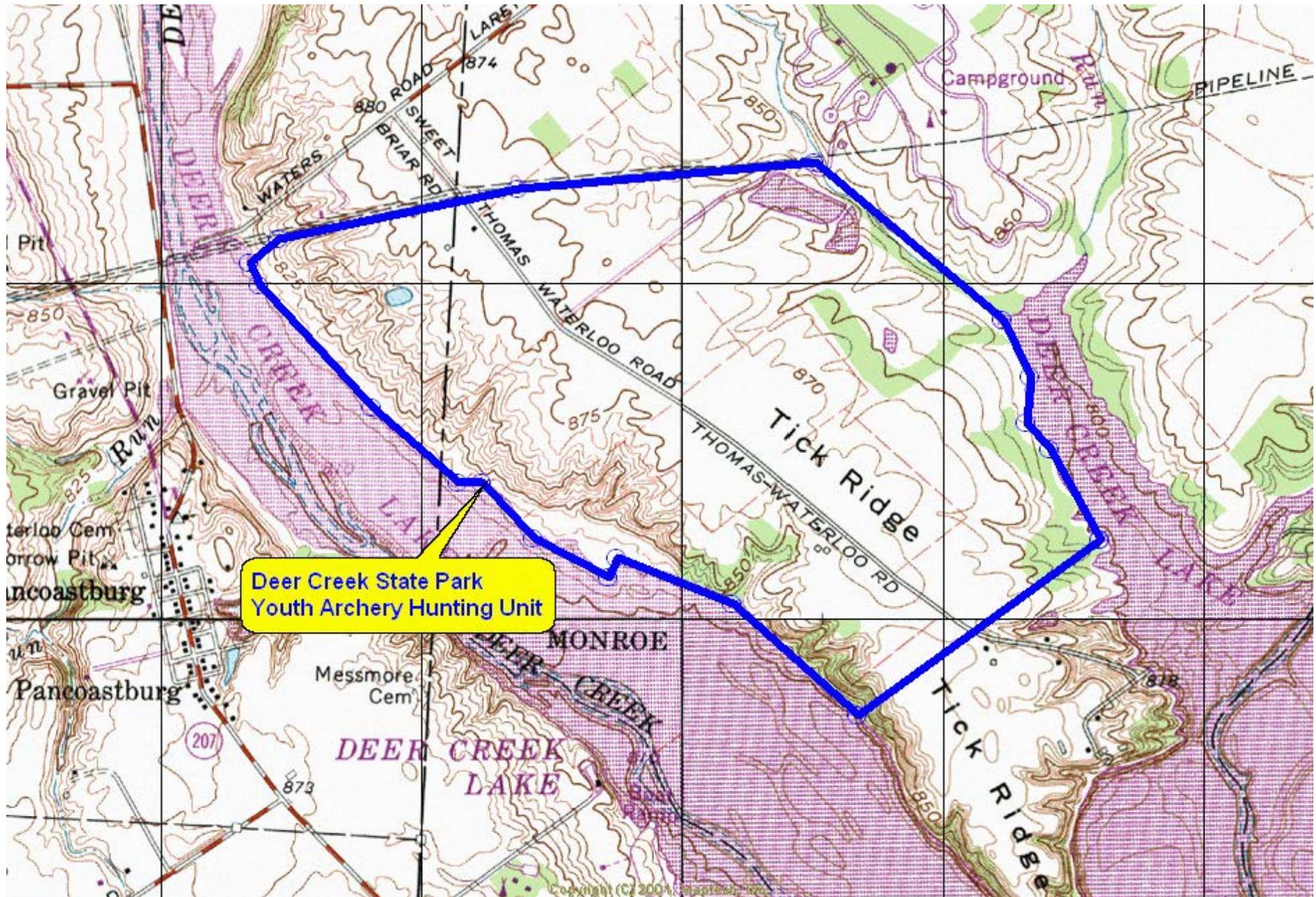
**DEER CREEK STATE PARK YOUTH ARCHERY HUNTING UNIT**  
Total Hunting Unit = Approximately 495 acres



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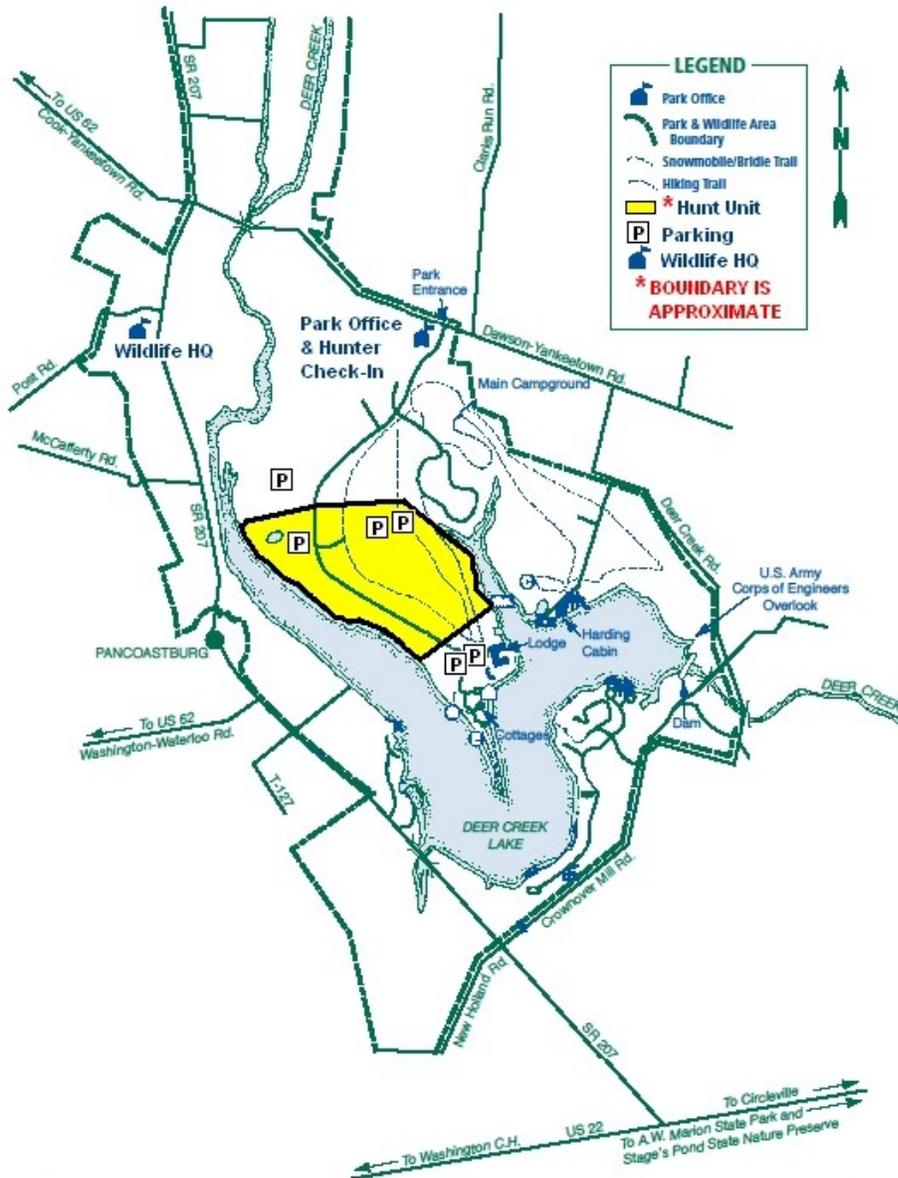
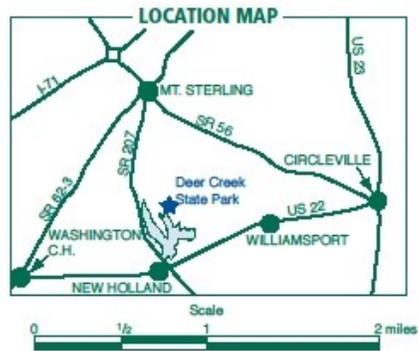
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## Deer Creek State Park

20635 State Park Road 20  
 Mt. Sterling, Ohio 43143  
 (740) 869-3124 - Park Office  
 (740) 869-3508 - Camp Office

Deer Creek Resort Lodge  
 22300 State Park Road 20  
 Mt. Sterling, Ohio 43143  
 (740) 869-2020 - Lodge/Cottages



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