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CITY DEER BOW HUNTING QUALIFICATION SHOOT SCHEDULED

Season established Sept. 14-Jan. 10 but hunters must be approved by City

MUSCATINE, Iowa – The 2019-2020 deer bow hunting season within the limits of the City of Muscatine will be held Sept. 14, 2019 through Jan. 10, 2020. The hunting season was approved by the Muscatine City Council at its Aug. 15, 2019, meeting.

The City of Muscatine has participated in a city wide deer hunt program with the guidance of the Iowa Department of Natural Resources since the 2006-2007 Deer Hunting Season. This year's hunt within the city limits will again be for bow hunting on approved private property with two (2) acres or more. Property owners may combined parcels to reach the two (2) acre minimum.

In advance of the upcoming bow hunting season for deer within the city limits, the City of Muscatine will once again host a qualifying shoot for interested parties. In order for individuals to be eligible to participate in this year's hunting season within the city limits, they must pass a shooting proficiency test.

The test will be given at the lower level lot of the Weed Park Maintenance Facility, 1211 Weed Park Drive, on the following dates:

1. Wednesday, September 4, 2019 – 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
2. Saturday, September 7, 2019 – 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.
3. Wednesday, September 11, 2019 – 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.



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In addition to the proficiency testing, an informational meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, August 28, 2019, in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 215 Sycamore Street. Hunters interested in participating in this year's hunt are required to attend this meeting.

Questions concerning the City of Muscatine's 2019/2020 deer hunting season can be directed to the Parks and Recreation Department at 563-263-0241.

The City of Muscatine has participated in a Deer Management Zone Program in collaboration with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources for the past 13 years with a total of 600 deer harvested including 61 in each of the last two years. A total of 25 hunters took the 61 deer killed in the 2018-2019 season hunt (55 doe, four buck, and two button buck).