



Deer Control Permits



Deer damage permits are issued in Fairfield County through the Wildlife Specialist, Perry Orndorff, in the Fairfield SWCD office.

For these permits, the persons listed as shooters must be residents of Fairfield County or an adjacent county. Deer taken under damage permits do not affect the number of deer that may be legally harvested during legal deer hunting seasons.

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- This permit is designed to allow immediate control of deer damage outside of normal hunting seasons.
- All shooters must have a current Ohio resident hunting license; landowners do not need this.
- These permits are valid from February through the third week in September, during the period when all deer hunting seasons are closed.
- Deer of either sex may be killed; however, shooters are encouraged to kill does.
- All firearms are legal, this includes the use of rifles for this permit system only.
- Deer may be killed after dark with the use of lights if authorized by the investigating officer or wildlife specialist.
- Up to five shooters may be listed on each landowner's damage permit. Only designated shooters listed on the permit may assist in killing deer; this includes assisting the shooter by holding a light.
- All dead deer must be tagged immediately with the yellow bottom portion of Form 67. The white top copy of Form 67 (possession tag) must be returned to the county wildlife specialist within 48 hours of harvesting a deer.
- No check-in is required for deer killed under this permit. Deer may be butchered, given away, or buried on the permit holder's property.

For questions on these regulations, please contact:

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