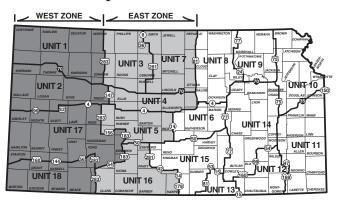
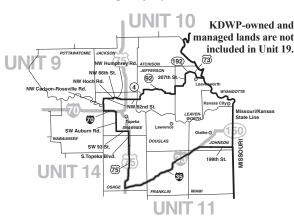
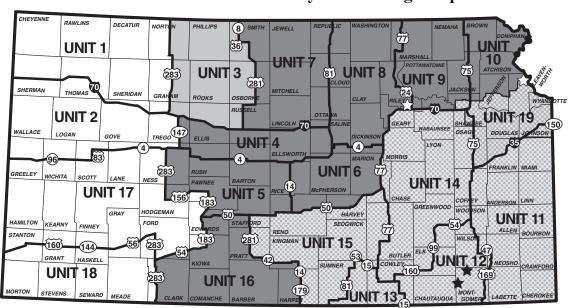
## **Either-species/Either-sex Zones**



## Unit 19



## Whitetail Antlerless Only Permit Usage Map



## **NO Purchased WAO Permits Valid**

Either Sex permits valid within units 1, 2, and 17 that have not been filled, may be used in these units during the extended seasons to harvest whitetail antierless deer.

**ONLY First (1) Issued WAO Permit Valid** 

INCLUDES ALL UNITS EXCEPT 1, 2, 17 and 18 INCLUDES KDWP-managed public wildlife areas and Walk-in Hunting Areas (WIHA/iWIHA) within valid units.

## **ONLY Issued WAO Permits 2-5 Valid**

INCLUDES UNITS 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 19 ONLY INCLUDES 10A (Ft. Leavenworth), Elk City, Berentz-Dick Wildlife Areas and Walk-in Hunting Areas (WIHA/iWIHA) within valid units. Only two of these permits may be used on Ft. Riley. EXCLUDES KDWP-managed public wildlife areas (not listed above).

## **ONLY Issued WAO Permits 6-10 Valid**

INCLUDES UNITS 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 19 ONLY INCLUDES Elk City, Berentz-Dick Wildlife Areas and Walk-in Hunting Areas (WIHA/iWIHA) within valid units. EXCLUDES 10a (Ft. Leavenworth) and KDWP-managed public wildlife areas (not listed above).

## **DEER SEASONS**

Youth & Disabled: Sept. 6-14, 2025

Muzzleloader-Only: Sept. 15-28, 2025 Archery: Sept. 15 - Dec. 31, 2025

Pre-rut Whitetail Antlerless-Only: Oct. 11-13, 2025

**Extended Pre-rut Whitetail Antlerless-Only Unit 12 Only:** 

Oct. 14-19, 2025

Regular Firearm: Dec. 3-14, 2025

#### **Extended Whitetail Antlerless-Only:**

Jan. 1-4, 2026 in Units 6, 8, 9, 10, and 17

Jan. 1-11, 2026 in Units 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 11, 14, and 16

Jan. 1-18, 2026 in Units 10A (Ft. Leavenworth), 12, 13, 15 and 19

## **Extended Archery:**

Jan. 19-31, 2026 – Unit 19 only

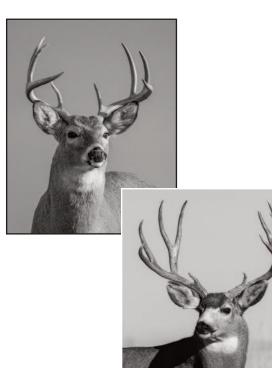
## FEES

Resident Deer
Firearm Either-Species\$52.50
Landowner/Tenant Firearm Either-Species \$32.50
Youth Firearm Either-Species\$22.50
Muzzleloader Either-Species
Landowner/Tenant Muzzleloader Either-Species\$22.50
Youth Muzzleloader Either-Species\$12.50
Archery Either-Species\$42.50
Landowner/Tenant Archery Either-Species\$22.50
Youth Archery Either-Species or Any Season Whitetail\$12.50
Any-Season Whitetail\$42.50
Landowner/Tenant Any-Season Whitetail\$22.50
Hunt-Own-Land\$22.50
Special Hunt-Own-Land\$42.50
Whitetail Antlerless-Only \$22.50
Youth Whitetail Antlerless-Only\$10.00
Nonresident Deer
Whitetail Combo
Youth Whitetail Combo\$117.50
Mule Deer Stamp
Hunt-Own-Land\$87.50
Nonresident Tenant\$87.50

Equal opportunity to benefit from programs described herein is available to all persons without regard to race, color, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, military or veteran status, disability status, marital or family status, genetic information or political affiliation. Concerns of discrimination should be sent to KDWP. 1020 S Kansas Ave., Topeka, KS 66612.

Whitetail Antlerless-Only ......\$52.50

# 2025 Kansas **Deer Hunting Regulations Summary**





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This publication is a summary of deer hunting regulations. The complete laws and regulations on which this summary is based are available online at: ksoutdoors.com/regulations.

## GENERAL DEER INFORMATION

Permits and duplicates purchased during the open season are valid immediately after they are purchased. Shooting hours for deer are 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. No hunter may harvest more than one antlered deer per year except those who also possess a Commissioner Big Game permit. Hunters must purchase a permit that allows the harvest of an antlered deer before they can purchase an antlerless deer permit until Dec. 30. After Dec. 30, anyone may purchase whitetail antlerless-only permits for the extended antlerless seasons. Unless exempt, deer hunters are required to purchase a hunting license in addition to a deer permit.

#### **Hunter Orange Requirements**

All deer hunters and persons assisting deer hunters during a firearm or muzzleloader deer season must wear a blaze orange head garment and at least 200 square inches of orange on the upper half of the body, of which 100 square inches must be visible from the front and 100 square inches must be visible from the back. Camouflage hunter orange that provides the required 200 square inches of orange is legal.

### Legal Equipment

Archery: longbows, recurve bows, compound bows and crossbows. Hunters may hunt with bows that have a draw-lock device attached. No bow, crossbow or arrow may have any electronic device attached that controls the flight of the arrow. Devices that may be attached to a bow or arrow shall include lighted pin, dot or holographic sights; illuminated nocks; rangefinders; film or video cameras; and radio-frequency location devices. Arrows used for hunting big game and turkeys must be equipped with broadhead points that cannot pass through a ring 3/4-inch in diameter when fully expanded. Non-broadhead arrows may be in possession while hunting but may not be used to take or attempt to take big game animals. Devices capable of dispensing lethal, debilitating or immobilizing chemicals may not be used to take big game animals. Handguns may be possessed during big game archery seasons but may not be used to take big game.

**Firearm:** centerfire rifles and handguns that are not fully automatic, while using only tumble on impact, hard-cast solid lead, soft point, hollow point, or other expanding bullets; shotguns using only slugs.

Muzzleloader: muzzleloading rifles or muskets that can be loaded only through the front of the firing chamber with separate components and that fire a bullet of .40 inches diameter or larger. Only hard-cast solid lead, conical lead, or saboted bullets may be used with muzzleloading rifles, pistols and muskets. Handguns may be possessed during big game muzzleloader only seasons but may not be used to take big game unless they are muzzleloading handguns.

Range-finding devices and optical scopes or sights that project no visible light toward the target and do not electronically amplify visible or infrared light may be used with any equipment.

## PERMIT DESCRIPTIONS

Hunting restricted to unit(s) listed on permit.

#### Resident Any-season Whitetail Either-sex

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed deer

Any-season White-tailed Deer permits are valid statewide in any season with equipment legal for that season. Available over the counter and online through Dec. 31, 2025 to residents only.

## Resident Firearm Either-species/Either-sex

**Bag limit:** One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed or mule deer

Firearm Either-species/Either-sex Deer permits are valid either in the West Zone, (see map) or in the East Zone (see map) during the regular firearm season using any legal equipment. Limited permits available to residents only by draw. Application deadline June 13, 2025.

#### Resident Muzzleloader Either-species/Either-sex

**Bag limit:** One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed or mule deer

Muzzleloader Either-species/Either-sex Deer permits are valid either in the West Zone, (see map) or in the East Zone (see map) during the muzzleloader-only and regular firearm seasons using muzzleloading or archery equipment only. Available over the counter and online through Dec. 31, 2025 to residents only.

#### Resident Archery Either-species/Either-sex

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed or mule deer

Resident Archery Either-species/Either-sex Deer permits are valid statewide with archery equipment during archery season. Available over the counter and online through Dec. 31, 2025 to residents only.

#### Nonresident Muzzleloader Whitetail Combo

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe or fawn white-tailed deer AND one (1) white-tailed antlerless deer

Nonresident Muzzleloader Whitetail Combo permits are available only by draw and are valid in one designated unit and one adjacent management unit listed on the permit during the muzzleloader-only and regular firearm seasons (muzzleloading or archery equipment only). Application deadline is the last Friday in April.

#### Nonresident Archery Whitetail Combo

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed deer AND one (1) white-tailed antlerless deer

Nonresident Archery Whitetail Combo permits are available only by draw and are valid in one designated unit and one adjacent management unit listed on the permit and DMU 19. Application deadline is the last Friday in April.

Nonresidents who receive a Nonresident Archery or Muzzleloader Whitetail Combo permit valid in Deer Management Unit 1, 2, 17 or 18 may also apply for one of a limited number of Mule Deer Stamps. If drawn, their permit becomes a Nonresident Archery or Muzzleloader Either-Species/Either-sex permit with a bag limit of one (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed or mule deer in one designated unit and one adjacent management unit listed on the permit.

#### Nonresident Firearm Whitetail Combo

**Bag limit:** One (1) buck, doe, or fawn white-tailed deer AND one (1) white-tailed antlerless deer.

Nonresident Firearm Whitetail Combo permits are available only by draw and are valid in one designated unit and one adjacent management unit listed on the permit during the regular firearm season. Application deadline is the last Friday in April.

#### **Hunt-own-land**

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn mule or white-tailed deer

Hunt-own-land permits are valid for any season with equipment legal for that season on lands owned and operated for agricultural purposes. This permit is available to individuals who qualify as a landowner/tenant or nonresident landowner as outlined under "Permit Classes." Land deeded as an LLC does not qualify individuals for landowner permits. Available over-the-counter and online.

## Special Hunt-own-land

Bag limit: One (1) buck, doe, or fawn mule or white-tailed deer

This permit may be issued to a resident landowner's or tenant's siblings and lineal ascendants or descendants, and their spouses, whether or not they are Kansas residents, (for example, a grandson and his wife, a daughter and her husband, a parent, or a brother and his wife would be eligible for this permit. A landowner's or tenant's uncle, aunt, nephew, niece, or cousin is not eligible for this permit.) The permit is valid only on lands owned or operated by the landowner or tenant, and may be used in any season with equipment legal for that season. Permits are limited to one per 80 acres owned or operated. Land deeded as an LLC does not qualify individuals for landowner permits. Available over-the-counter and online.

#### Whitetail Antlerless Only (WAO)

Bag Limit: One (1) white-tailed deer without a visible antler protruding from skull. As many as ten (10) Whitetail Antlerless-Only (WAO) deer permits may be purchased.

The first (1) WAO permit is valid in all units except Units 1, 2, 17 and 18. Permits are also valid on KDWP-managed public hunting areas and Walkin Hunting Areas (WIHA/iWIHA) within valid units.

Permits two, three, four and five (2-5) are valid in Units 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 19 and Unit 10A (Ft. Leavenworth). These permits are also valid on Elk City Wildlife Area, Berentz Dick Wildlife Area and Walk-in Hunting Areas (WIHA/iWIHA) within valid units. Only two of these permits may be used on Ft. Riley (three total WAO.)

Permits six, seven, eight, nine and ten (6-10) are valid ONLY in Units 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 19 on private land, Elk City Wildlife Area, Berentz Dick Wildlife Area and Walk-in Hunting Areas (WIHA/iWIHA) within valid units.

WAO permits are valid during any season with equipment legal for that season and are available over-the-counter and online through January 31, 2026.

ALL unfilled either-sex deer permits convert to a whitetail antlerless-only permit for use during extended seasons within the units specified on the permit using equipment designated for that season.

## PERMIT CLASSES

Resident: A resident is defined as any person who has continuously lived in Kansas for 60 days immediately preceding the person's application for a hunting license or permit. Members of the armed services on active duty who were Kansas residents at the time of entering the service, and immediate family members living with them, are considered residents regardless of duty station. Members of the armed services on active duty and officially stationed in Kansas may purchase resident licenses and permits, except for lifetime licenses. Any holder of a Kansas lifetime hunting license who has moved from the state may apply for permits as a resident. Any person who is a registered full-time student in residence at a public or private secondary, post secondary, or vocational school located in Kansas may purchase resident licenses and permits, except lifetime licenses. While hunting, the student must carry evidence of being a full-time student residing in Kansas.

**Landowner/Tenant:** A landowner is any resident who owns 80 acres or more of Kansas farm or ranch land. When applying for a landowner/tenant permit, land owned must be in the unit applying for. Land deeded as an LLC does not qualify individuals for landowner permits.

A tenant is any resident or nonresident who is actively engaged in the agricultural operation of 80 acres or more of Kansas farm or ranch land for the purpose of producing agricultural commodities or livestock and (A) has a substantial financial investment in the production of agricultural commodities or livestock on such farm or ranch land and the potential to realize substantial financial benefit from such production or, (B) is a bona fide manager having an overall responsibility to direct, supervise and conduct such agricultural operation and have the potential to realize substantial benefit from such production in the form of salary, shares of such production or some other economic incentive based upon such production. Evidence of tenancy, if requested, shall be provided to the department and may include, but is not limited to, Natural Resource Conservation Service records, Farm Service Agency records, or written agricultural contract or lease documentation. Land must be in the unit applied for to qualify.

Nonresident tenant permits are available for any opportunity afforded resident tenants. A nonresident landowner is not eligible for a tenant-only permit based on land that is owned. One cannot be both a landowner and tenant of the same property.

Members of the immediate family who are domiciled with a resident landowner or tenant may apply for a resident big game permit as landowners or as a tenants, but at least 80 acres must be owned by such landowner or operated by such tenant for each individual applying as a landowner or as a tenant.

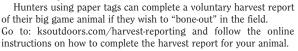
## POST-HARVEST INSTRUCTIONS

At the time of purchase, hunters will have the option of paper carcass tags or mobile/E-tag.

PAPER TAGS: Sign PERMIT prior to hunting to validate it. After an animal is harvested, the CARCASS TAG must be signed, dated and attached to the animal in a visible manner before the carcass is moved from the harvest site.

Paper permits and tags purchased through the internet must be printed on a desktop printer at the time of purchase. To protect nonwaterproof paper tag, cut it from the permit, place in a clear plastic bag and attach it to the animal with a zip-tie or other secure manner.

The carcass tag must remain attached to the animal during transport and kept with the meat until it is consumed, given to another or otherwise disposed of.



MOBILE/E-TAGS: Hunters who choose e-tags at time of purchase will keep permit and tags on their mobile device through the GoOutdoorsKS mobile app. After harvest, open the "GoOutdoorsKS" mobile app and follow the instructions on the app for the e-tag appropriate for the species/sex of harvest. An e-tag confirmation number will work the same as harvest reporting for a hunter wanting to bone out an animal and transport only meat from harvest site.



SURVEYS: Hunters may be asked to complete online HARVEST SURVEY'S at the end of the season. Information received helps biologists make decisions to manage healthy game populations. A random sample of hunters will be contacted, making it important to update your information each year when purchasing a permit or tag. Hunters surveyed will receive an email or a postcard with a link to direct them to an online survey. Questions about this survey or assistance in completing surveys may be obtained through the KDWP Research and Survey Office, (620) 342-0658. State law (K.S.A. 32-937) requires hunters receiving a harvest report card complete the survey.

**Nonresident Landowner:** Any nonresident who owns 80 acres or more of Kansas farm or ranch land. Nonresident landowners may purchase Hunt-Own-Land deer permits, but only those listed on the deed are eligible.

**Nonresident:** Anyone who doesn't qualify for the previously listed permit classes.

**Youth:** All youth 15 and younger qualify for deer permits at reduced prices. Resident youth 15 and younger do not need a hunting license. All nonresident youth 15 and younger must have a nonresident youth hunting license. All youth 17 and younger may hunt during the Youth Deer Season, but 16 and 17-year-olds must have a hunting license and valid deer permit.