## SPECIAL HUNTS ON PRIVATE LANDS APPLICATION

I am interested in enrolling my property in the Special Hunts program.

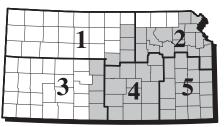
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It would be best to contact me during the:  Day Evening
Do you wish to be contacted before we inspect your land? Yes No
Complete legal description for each parcel of land. (Example: S 1/2 of NE 1/4, Sec. 26, T1 R16, Ellis Co.) Please include an aerial photo for each parcel marked, if possible.
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I am the landowner I am the tenant

#### WHO TO CONTACT

If you are interested in enrolling property in the KDWP Special Hunts on Private Land program, contact the KDWP regional office in your area.

### **Regional Offices**

REGION 1 1426 Highway 183 Alt. Hays, KS 67601 (785) 628-8614 REGION 2 3300 SW Wanamaker Topeka, KS 66608 (785) 273-6740



REGION 3 1001 MacArtor Rd. Dodge City, KS 67801 (620) 227-8609 REGION 4 6232 E 29th St. N Wichita, KS 67220 (316) 683-8069

REGION 5 1500 W 7th, Chanute, KS 66270 (620) 431-0380

# Interested in Participating in a Special Hunt?

People interested in applying for KDWP's special hunts should go to our web site at: kdwp.state.ks.us





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Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks 512 SE 25th Ave. Pratt, Ks 67124

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A Kansas Department of Wildlife & Parks' Hunting Access Program



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### **Hunting Access and Your Land**

#### WHAT IS THE PROGRAM?

The Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks (KDWP) has conducted special hunts on public lands for a number of years. These hunts are a part of the department's hunter recruitment and retention program, Pass It On. The special hunts offer a less crowded experience with better harvest opportunities.

Access to private land for hunting is also a concern in the recruitment and retention effort. In 2008, KDWP surveyed landowners and sportsmen who live in urban areas of Kansas to get their views about access to private land and hunting opportunities. One of the objectives of the study was to determine a way to increase hunting access in the more urban portion of Kansas where much of the human population lives. It was determined that providing a program that controls the total number of people utilizing private land would be desirable to some landowners who may consider enrolling in an access program. It was also desired by hunters to have a more controlled environment and less crowding.

#### PROGRAM DETAILS

As a result of the need for more hunting land near our urban areas and the information gathered through surveys, the Special Hunts On Private Lands Program was developed. This program will lease private land for public hunting; however access will be limited. Landowners working with district wildlife biologists, will determine how many days and what type of hunting they will allow on their property. KDWP will advertise the hunting opportunities and will take applications for each hunt. Random drawings will determine which hunters will be allowed to hunt properties on specific dates. The successful hunter(s) will be provided with permits to be placed on the dash of their vehicle and carried with them so that both the landowner and KDWP officers can easily verify that each person hunting has permission.

#### WHO CAN PARTICIPATE

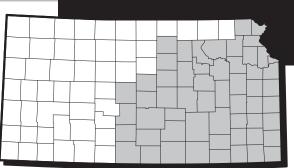
Resident landowners, absentee landowners, tenant farmers, estate managers, trust managers, and others who manage privately owned land within the shaded area of the map are eligible to apply for enrollment in the private lands special hunt program.

The area targeted is a portion of the state where KDWP has determined that additional hunting access can be made available if participants have more control over the number of people using their property. This area was chosen as a priority for the program because of a lack in public access to private land and the proximity to urban centers where much the state's human population is located.

Any private land with quality habitat and hunting opportunities will be considered for enrollment. Deadlines for applications are set to allow posting of the property and the publication of the special hunts brochure prior to the hunting seasons. Please contact the KDWP regional office in your area for specific enrollment deadlines.

#### BENEFITS

In addition to the financial incentive, other components of the program are attractive to landowners. State law provides that private individuals who lease their land to the state for recreational purposes are immune from damages or injuries resulting from ordinary negligence. The special hunt program provides the landowner the opportunity to be aware of who is on their property on each scheduled hunt date. Landowners may select specific species, dates, and hunt types that meet their desires for their property.



#### PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Payment to landowners will be based on the amount of acreage enrolled, species allowed to be hunted and number of hunter days allowed. The table below indicates the base payment which requires either 20 hunter days for big game (turkey or deer), 40 hunter days for other game or a combination of the two options. Each additional big game

The shaded area of the map shows the targeted area of the state for this program.

day adds \$10 and each additional other game day adds \$5 to the total payment up to the maximum amount allowed for the size of the property enrolled. Cooperators will receive contract payments around May 1 each year.

#### RESTRICTIONS

Access to lands enrolled in the special hunt program will be limited to foot traffic only, unless posted otherwise. Each property will have special restrictions for species of harvest, dates allowed and type of hunt that will be listed on the application. Hunters should consider these restrictions when applying for the special hunt opportunities.

Landowner Payment Rates								
LEASED ACREAGE	LEASE PERIOD	BASE PAYOUT	MAX PAYOUT	BASE DAYS Deer/Turkey	ADD DAYS Deer/Turkey	BASE DAYS Other Species	ADD DAYS Other Species	
80-150 151-250 251-500 501-750 751-1,000 1,000 +	Apr. 1 - May 31	\$100	\$150 \$250 \$500 \$750 \$1,000 Negotiable	20	\$10 Each Day	NA	NA	
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