



Ottawa County Parks &  
Recreation Commission

## Important Information for Hunting at Ottawa County Parks & Open Space Lands

- All hunters must follow all Michigan hunting regulations as set forth by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.
- Hunting is not allowed within 30 yards of a property line. Property lines are marked with red plastic signs that are 4 inches wide and about 3 feet tall.
- Tree stands and type 1 ground blinds may be used per state laws. Nails, screws, bolts, or like products that would penetrate tree bark are not allowed. All stands or blinds must have identification attached.
- Gathering of dead materials found on the ground to construct or camouflage blinds is not allowed.
- Trapping is not allowed on any property managed by the Ottawa County Parks & Recreation Commission.
- Target practice or paint ball shooting is not allowed on any property managed by the Ottawa County Parks & Recreation Commission.
- Hunting is not allowed within 450 feet of any occupied building.
- Motorized vehicles are not allowed, except in designated parking areas.
- Cutting of trees or branches to create shooting lanes is not allowed.
- The use of bait to attract deer is not allowed.
- Fishing is allowed at designated properties following Michigan Department of Natural Resources laws.

Complete hunting rules and detailed maps of all properties available online.

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# Hunting Information

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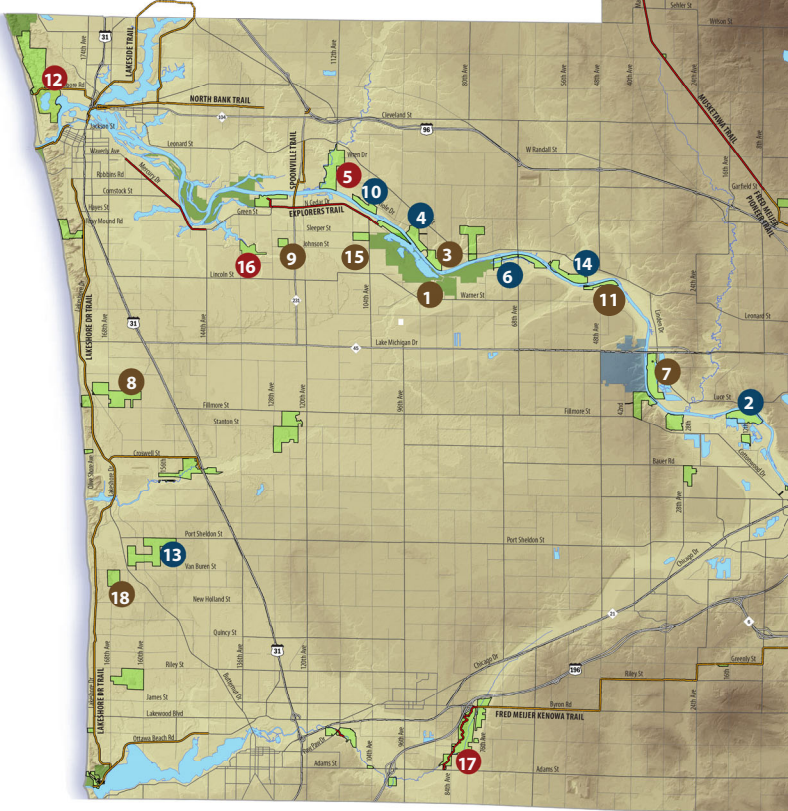


White-tailed Deer by Ed Post



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- Special Permit Required
- Archery Deer Hunting Allowed
- Hunting Allowed per DNR Laws



## No Hunting Allowed at these sites:

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|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Adams Street Landing          | Marne Bog / Musketawa Trail |
| Connor Bayou                  | North Beach Park            |
| Deer Creek Park               | Olive Shores                |
| Eastmanville Farm             | Paw Paw Park                |
| Grand River Park              | Pigeon Creek Park           |
| Grand Ravines North and South | Pine Bend Park              |
| Grose Park                    | Riley Trails                |
| Hager Park                    | Riverside Park              |
| Hemlock Crossing              | Rosy Mound Natural Area     |
| Historic Ottawa Beach Parks   | Spring Grove Park           |
| Kirk Park                     | Tunnel Park                 |

## Special Permit Required:

Crockery Creek Natural Area, Upper Macatawa Natural Area and the main (south of the creek) portion of Stearns Creek Park South allow only archery deer hunting by special permit via a lottery.

Stearns Creek Park North (AKA Helstrom Family Natural Area) allow archery and firearm hunting in accordance with the laws of the Michigan DNR during limited days/times by special permit via a lottery.

Crockery Creek Natural Area allows float in only waterfowl hunting by special permit.

North Ottawa Dunes and Ottawa Sands allow only firearm deer hunting by special permit via a lottery. Hunters who receive a special permit must agree to all hunting rules included with the permit, as well as follow Ottawa County Parks & Recreation rules and regulations.

Successful applicants are required to pay a non-refundable permit fee and may be required to attend a pre-hunt meeting. Hunters must also complete a post-hunt survey. Visit [miOttawa.org/parks](http://miOttawa.org/parks) for instructions on applying.

## Archery Deer Hunting Only:

These properties are open to archery deer hunting only and *do not require* a special parks permit.

No game other than deer may be taken.

All hunters must follow the Ottawa County Parks & Recreation Commission Open Space Land Rules and Regulations.

## Open to Hunting per DNR Laws:

These properties are open to archery and firearm hunting in accordance with the laws of the Michigan DNR.

A special permit is *not required* to hunt in these properties. All hunters must follow the Ottawa County Parks & Recreation Commission Open Space Land Rules and Regulations.

Please see the back page of this flyer or section 11 of the Open Space rules and regulations for additional restrictions that may apply.

Hunting rules and detailed maps of all properties available online: [miOttawa.org/Parks](http://miOttawa.org/Parks)

### HUNTING ACRES BY SITE

	Special Permit Required	Archery Deer Hunting ONLY	Open to Hunting per MDNR Laws
1 Bass River Open Space			47
2 Bend Area		421	
3 Bur Oak Landing-East			116
4 Bur Oak Landing-West		145	
5 Crockery Creek Natural Area	334		
6 Eastmanville Bayou		157	
7 Grand River Open Space			279
8 Hiawatha Forest			365
9 Johnson Street Forest			50
10 Jubb Bayou		97	
11 Kuits Bayou			80
12 North Ottawa Dunes & Ottawa Sands	938		
13 Port Sheldon Natural Area		440	
14 Ripps Bayou		172	
15 Robinson Forest			80
16 Stearns Creek - South / North	70/ 28		
17 Upper Macatawa Natural Area	612		
18 Van Buren Street Dunes			120