

**City of St. Cloud**  
**Policy on Deer Management**  
**Within the City Limits**

On March 27, 2006, the St. Cloud City Council, through a public hearing process, authorized an archery deer hunt within the City limits of St. Cloud to coincide with the MN Department of Natural Resources big game archery season. The intent and purpose of this special hunt is to eventually lower the deer population within the City limits to acceptable levels. This includes areas near the airport to reduce the likelihood of deer entering the airside environment of the airport. With that goal in mind, the following shall apply at the Airport:

This policy is exclusively for archery hunting on the St. Cloud Regional Airport property that is "outside the fence", which is owned and operated by the City of St. Cloud.

The St. Cloud Regional Airport shall hereinafter be referred to as "Airport"

1. There is a \$10.00 non-refundable fee to put your name in the lottery.
2. There is a \$5.00 fee for a permit if you are selected in the lottery.
3. Archery deer hunting will only be allowed within the boundaries of the parcels of land indicated on the attached maps and aerial photographs.
4. All selected hunters shall have a Minnesota Department of Natural Resources regular archery license in addition to a City of St. Cloud Regional Airport archery permit.
5. All Minnesota Department of Natural Resources rules and regulations shall apply in addition to City rules for this hunt on all property within the Airport property boundary.
6. A copy of the permit shall be carried with the hunter at all times, to and from the portable stand and during hunting.
7. Portable Stands:
  - a. Only one (1) stand allowed per hunter per permit. A second stand is allowed for non-hunters to accompany the hunter (e.g. for spouse, child). The second stand must be in close proximity to the first so as to not monopolize an area.
  - b. If the stand is left overnight, the permit holder must notify the airport of the stand's location.
  - c. All hunting must be done from a portable stand at least 5' in height, unless special permission for the disabled is granted by the Airport.
  - d. Only portable stands supplied by the hunter shall be allowed in any area within the Airport property.
  - e. All portable stands shall bear the name of the hunter visible within 5' of the ground.

- f. Permanent stands or the use of screw-in steps or foot rungs are not allowed.
  - g. All portable stands must be removed within 48 hours of harvesting a deer unless the hunter notifies the airport director that the stand would like to be left in place for other hunters to use.
8. Each selected hunter agrees to maintain their portable tree stand a distance of 150' from any occupied dwelling, road, right of way or trail, or other portable tree stands.
  9. All entrails of deer harvested shall be removed intact or in plastic bags and disposed of properly.
  10. All deer harvested shall be registered at a MN Department of Natural Resources big game registration station and MN DNR rules and regulations shall apply.
  11. All deer harvested shall be reported to the Airport within 48 hours of harvest either by phone at (320) 255-7292, or by email at [airport@ci.stcloud.mn.us](mailto:airport@ci.stcloud.mn.us) or text to airport director at 320.291.9356.
  12. All permittees must also complete a Harvest Information Sheet. All Harvest Information Sheets MUST be returned to the Airport by **February 1, 2022**, regardless of success in the hunt. Failure to return the Harvest Information Sheet will result in denied eligibility for any future Airport archery hunt.
  13. Violation of any of these or any other applicable rules, regulations, ordinances, or directives of the Airport immediately revokes the hunting permission on Airport property and may result in criminal prosecution.
  14. Neither the City of St. Cloud nor the Airport shall be liable for any personal injury or property damage suffered by the applicant while on Airport property. Further, the permitted hunter will fully defend and indemnify the City of St. Cloud and the Airport from any claims, lawsuits, causes of action, or judgments arising or resulting from any activities of the permittee.
  15. The City will provide each selected hunter with information as to where they can donate their deer to feed the needy if they wish to do so.
  16. Cutting, mowing, sawing, digging, injuring, or removing vegetation is PROHIBITED.

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Office Use Info</u>	
Permit Number	_____
Color/Type of Vehicle Most Often Used	_____