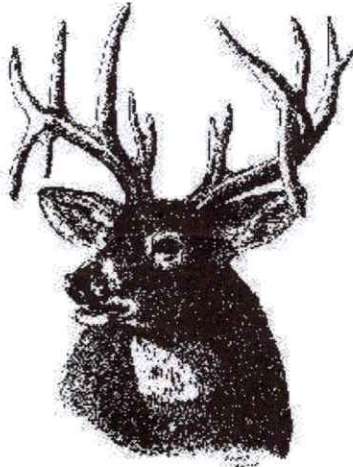


NOTICE



You must purchase your RB stamps BEFORE hunting season begins on September 25, 2021.

Hunting Regulations:

A bag limit of two deer may be taken per day during any deer season, but only one antlered buck may be taken in a day. You may check your harvested deer using the Electronic License System by phone, internet or visit a licensing agent. See Hunting and Trapping Regulations Summary for further details.

Hunters need to check the regulations regarding harvesting an antlerless deer in some counties before harvesting a second buck. There were changes to this regulation this year.

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!!

Place Stamp Here

BOWHUNTER SURVEY
WV-DNR
PO BOX 67
ELKINS WV 26241

INSTRUCTIONS

2021 BOWHUNTER SURVEY

1. Post your survey form in a convenient spot such as your refrigerator door, mud room or garage entrance, etc., where you'll see it when you return from hunting.
2. For the appropriate date, enter the **number of hours hunted** in the morning (**am**) or afternoon (**pm**) or both if you hunted both am and pm (see example).
3. List the **county** where you hunted. If you hunted in a different location in the morning and afternoon, record the county you hunted each half of the day (see example).
4. Record the **ownership of the land** where you hunted and whether land was **posted, yes or no**. If you hunted in different locations in the morning and afternoon, record the land ownership and posted vs. Not posted for each half of the day (see example).
5. Enter the dominant **land type** where you hunted. If you hunted in the woods, enter 'w' for woods. If you hunted in a field, enter 'f' for fields. If you hunted along the edge of a field (clearing, opening), enter 'e' for edge. If you were hunting in an Urban setting, enter "u" for urban.
6. If you saw no animals or birds while hunting, **simply** leave the spaces blank or enter 0.
7. If you observed any of the animals and birds listed, enter the **number of animals or birds seen** under the animals or birds column (see example). Do not record second or third sightings of the same animal or bird on the same hunt as more than one animal or bird sighted; if you see what you feel is the same animal or bird on different hunts, record it for each hunt.
8. For the deer you see, please record the **number of spike and fork antlered bucks, adult does and fawns**. If you are not **completely sure** of a deer's sex, record it as an unknown. If you killed a deer, **record the number of deer killed by sex. A forked antlered deer will have at least two points on one antler.**
9. Enter the type of weapon used while hunting. Enter "L" for long bow, "C" for compound bow, "R" for a recurve and "X" for crossbow.
10. At the end of the survey period or if you stop hunting before Buck Firearms Season, return the daily record form by taping the folded forms and attaching a stamp where indicated.

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2021 WEST VIRGINIA BOWHUNTER SURVEY

1. How many years have you hunted deer with a bow? _____ years.
2. What is your zip code? _____
3. Please enter your DNR ID number. _____
4. Is the deer population in the area you hunt most (circle)? 1. Increasing 2. Decreasing 3. Constant
List the County _____
5. Compared to last year, were deer racks this year (circle)? 1. Smaller 2. Larger 3. About the same
6. Is the oak mast (acorns) this year in the area you hunt (circle)? 1. Abundant 2. Common 3. Scarce
List County _____
7. Do you watch tv shows about deer hunting? 1. Yes 2. No
If yes, what are your favorite shows?

8. Did you take a youth hunting during a special youth season? 1. Yes 2. No
If Yes, what season(s)?

9. Did you participate in the new Mountaineer Heritage Season in January 2021(circle)? 1. Yes 2. No
10. If question 9 is Yes, what weapon did you use during that season?
____ Bow _____ Muzzleloader _____ Both
11. Would the presence of a GPS collar on a deer influence your decision to harvest that deer (circle)?
1. Yes 2. No
12. If yes to #11, why would that influence your decision to harvest that deer (circle all that apply)?
a. Legality b. Lack of interest to harvest a study animal c. Animal not big enough d. Animal not old enough
e. Other _____
13. How many deer did you pass up during the 2021 West Virginia bow season that you could have legally harvested?
Antlered Bucks _____ Antlerless Deer _____
14. If you did pass up a deer for question 13 why did you do that (circle all that apply)?
a. Already have enough venison
b. Waiting for a larger animal
c. Needed more tags for archery season
d. Other(s) _____
15. Did you spend more or less time bowhunting in 2021 compared to 2020?
1. More in 2020 2. More in 2021 3. Same
16. Did you see any black bears with mange? 1. Yes 2. No
If yes, what county(ies)?

17. Remarks or observations (please include unusual experiences, your opinion on hunting season regulations, weather, etc.)

18. Please list the name and address of a friend or relative who might want to participate in this survey next year:

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