

Illinois Youth Deer Hunt: Oct. 9-11, 2021

Public Land Sites Open to Hunting

The following sites are open to youth hunting during the youth deer hunt (contact the site for other special site regulations; some sites may have hunter quotas and require participation in a drawing). The sites are listed by the county (or counties) in which they are found.

- Adams – Mississippi River (Pools 21 and 22)
- Adams/Brown – Siloam Springs SP
- Alexander – Cape Bend SFWA, Horseshoe Lake SFWA-Public Hunting Area
- Calhoun/Jersey – Mississippi River SFWA
- Cass – Jim Edgar Panther Creek SFWA
- Clinton – Carlyle Lake (East Fork Unit only), Eldon Hazlet SP (North Allen Branch Unit only)
- Coles – Fox Ridge SP
- Crawford – Crawford County SFWA
- Effingham – Wildcat Hollow SHA
- Fayette – Carlyle Lake SFWA
- Franklin – Campbell Pond SHA
- Hamilton – Hamilton County State Fish and Wildlife Area
- Hancock – Cedar Glen SNA
- Hardin – Cave-In-Rock State Park – Kaegi Tract
- Henderson – Mississippi River (Pool 18); Big River SF
- Iroquois – Iroquois SFWA
- Jackson – Kinkaid Lake SFWA; Burning Star State Fish and Wildlife Area
- Jackson/Union – Giant City SP
- Jasper – Meeker SHA, Newton Lake SFWA, Prairie Ridge SNA
- Jefferson/Franklin – Rend Lake SFWA and COE managed areas of Rend Lake
- Jefferson/Hamilton – Ten Mile Creek SFWA
- Jersey – Copperhead Hollow SFWA, Pere Marquette SP
- Jo Daviess – Apple River Canyon (Salem/Thompson Units), Hanover Bluff, Rall Woods, Tapley Woods, Upper Mississippi River NWFR (Lost Mound Unit, plus IDNR properties Eagles Landing and Stewardship Park; a special permit is required from USFWS), Wards Grove, Winston Tunnel
- Johnson – Cypress Pond SNA, Deer Pond SNA, Ferne Clyffe SP (Cedar/Draper Bluffs Hunting Area, Ferne Clyffe SP (Ferne Clyffe Hunting Area), Glass Hill SNA, Skinner Farm SHA, Wise Ridge SNA
- Johnson/Pulaski/Massac – Cache River SNA

- Kankakee – Kankakee River SP
- Knox – Spoon River SF
- Lawrence – Chauncey Marsh
- Lee – Green River SWA
- Marshall – Marshall SFWA
- Mason – Sand Ridge SF
- Massac – Fort Massac SP, Mermet Lake SFWA, Seilbeck Forest SNA
- Menard County – Oakford CA
- Mercer – Mississippi River (Pool 17)
- Moultrie – Lake Shelbyville Project Lands in Moultrie County including Shelbyville SFWA
- Montgomery – Coffeen Lake SFWA (Upland Management Area only)
- Peoria – Portions of Marshall SFWA
- Perry – Pyramid State Park (Captain, Denmark, East Conant, Galum and Park units)
- Pike – Mississippi River (Pool 24), Ray Norbut SFWA (including the Dutch Creek unit)
- Pope – Big Grand Pierre Glade SNA, Cretaceous Hills SNA, Dixon Springs SP, Dog Island
- Randolph – Turkey Bluffs SFWA
- Randolph/St. Clair/Monroe – Kaskaskia River SFWA
- Saline – Saline County SFWA
- Sangamon – Sangamon County CA
- Shelby – Hidden Springs SF, Lake Shelbyville Project Lands (NOT including Eagle Creek and Wolf Creek State Recreation Areas)
- Schuyler/Brown – Weinberg King SFWA (including Scripps and Spunky Bottoms units)
- Tazewell – Mackinaw SFWA
- Union – Trail of Tears SF, and Union County SFWA-Firing Line Unit
- Union/Alexander – Devil’s Island SFWA

Note: Crab Orchard and Lake Le-Aqua-Na offer youth firearm hunts during the regular statewide firearm deer season and require a site-specific firearm deer permit for that hunt. For these sites, a Lottery application may be submitted online at [One Outdoor - Home \(exploremoreil.com\)](http://OneOutdoor-Home.exploremoreil.com).