

Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy's Hunting Program 2026



Hunting Rules and Regulations

All hunting activities must be conducted in accordance with the 2026 New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Regulations Guide. All hunters have an obligation to know and understand these regulations to ensure safe hunting and ethical harvest.

The following rules and regulations apply to hunters at Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy's (MHLC) Cheese Hill (4H) and Coeymans 99 (4B) Preserves.

General Rules & Regulations:

- Permissions to hunt are for the 2026 white-tailed deer hunting season only, and permissions are non-transferable to any individual.
- All local, state, and federal laws applying to hunting activity must be observed.
- All hunters permitted to hunt on these properties must have a valid 2026 - 2027 NYS hunting license and bowhunting privilege.
- No vegetation may be cut, brushed, removed, or destroyed without MHLC permission.
- No ATV's or motorized vehicles of any kind are allowed on MHLC property.
- No fires, camping or litter. Please carry in and out.
- Use of drugs and alcohol are not permitted on MHLC property.
- Hunting while under the influence of drugs and alcohol will result in a permanent ban from hunting MHLC properties in the future.

Hunting Rules & Regulations:

- Only white-tailed deer may be harvested within the legal deer hunting seasons.
- No trapping is permitted on the property.
- This program allows the use of legal bows and crossbows only.
- No archery hunting is allowed within a 150 ft radius of any inhabited dwelling. No crossbow hunting within a 250ft radius.
- Hunting with firearms is not allowed on these properties.
- No unnecessary discharge of bows and crossbows. No target practice.
- In an effort to control the local deer population, MHLC requires hunters to harvest an antlerless deer before harvesting a buck.
- Each hunter may only take one antlered deer from the property during the entire deer hunting season. This rule provides other hunters permitted to hunt these properties the opportunity to harvest a buck while encouraging others to hunt does.
- No permanent blinds, stands, or other structures are to be installed. All temporary blinds and stands must be tagged with the owner's name and phone number. All temporary blinds and stands are to be removed within one week of the completion of the hunting season. Failure to remove your stand within this timeframe may result in confiscation of your hunting stand.

- Do not utilize the stands or blinds of other hunters without prior permission.
- MHLC is not responsible for any lost or stolen stands, blinds or other items left unattended.
- Hunters must wear a blaze orange or pink hat or vest while not settled in a tree stand or blind to ensure visibility to other hunters.
- Every effort should be made to locate and remove any wounded animals.
- All gut piles must be left out of sight from any trails, parking areas or roadsides.
- While hunters are not permitted to bring guests to hunt with them (other than a child under age 18 that they are parent/guardian of), they are permitted to bring someone for assistance in recovering an animal.
- For this program, all hunters must reserve locations via the HuntStand App. Hunters may reserve two locations per day during different times; any reservations for multiple locations by one hunter during the same time frame will be deleted.
- All registered hunters must complete one day of stewardship-focused volunteer work with MHLC between the start of the season and before the following season begins in coordination with MHLC staff.

Hunter Agreement

Before signing below, the Hunter agrees that they have read the rules and regulations above and agree to abide by them while hunting on MHLC's Cheese Hill and Coeymans 99 Preserves.

The Hunter understands that failure to comply with any aspect of these rules and regulations will result in immediate revocation of their hunting permit and will jeopardize any future hunting opportunities on MHLC property.

The Hunter understands that this permission is only for the 2026 White-tailed Deer hunting season and is non-transferrable to any other individual.

Hunter agrees to hunt at their own risk and to release, indemnify and hold harmless Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy from any liability for injuries caused by the condition of the preserve or by their activities, whether to themselves or to third parties.

Print name

Sign name

Date