



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HUNTING REGULATIONS

There are obviously several elements to the Hunting and Firearms Regulation ordinance in the City of Wildwood, but these are the most frequently asked about issues related to hunting.

The entire ordinance text is available on the police page of the City of Wildwood's website, www.cityofwildwood.com.

Some highlights regarding the discharge of a firearm or bow in the City of Wildwood:

- Hunting or discharging a firearm or bow requires a **single 3 acre (or more) parcel of land**. The 3 acre requirement cannot be met by combining several pieces of property. *There is an exception to this for a bow discharged for practice at a fixed target.*
- The discharge of a **firearm** is required to be **450 feet** (or more) from any home, garage, barn, building, etc.
- The discharge of a **bow** is required to be **200 feet** (or more) from any home, garage, barn, building, etc.
- A cartridge rifle or handgun cannot be discharged on any property east of Hwy 109. Shotguns or muzzle loading rifles are allowed east of Hwy 109.
- Hunting or discharging a firearm or bow on any property; requires **written permission from the property owner and is to be carried at all times**.
- Any discharge of a firearm or a bow must be done in a safe direction. A discharge cannot be toward a house, garage, school, building, road, park, playground, etc. within the reasonable range of the firearm or bow.

For information regarding these highlights or other issues about the Hunting and Firearms Regulations ordinance in the City of Wildwood, contact the Wildwood Precinct of the St. Louis County Police Department at 636-458-9194 or csahrmann@stlouisco.com.

Additional information regarding Missouri Department of Conservation Deer Regulations is available at: <http://mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/regulations/deer-regulations>.



HUNTING REGULATIONS

CITY OF WILDWOOD, MISSOURI

(ATTACHED)

1. COPY OF CITY OF WILDWOOD ORDINANCE SECTION 210.220, HUNTING AND FIREARMS REGULATIONS, CITY OF WILDWOOD, MISSOURI.
2. PERMISSION TO HUNT FORMS (INCLUDING THREE – ONE FOR THE HUNTER, ONE FOR THE PROPERTY OWNER AND ONE FOR THE DASHBOARD OF THE HUNTER'S VEHICLE (The copy for the dashboard is for the benefit of the hunter, but is not required by ordinance to be displayed.)

FOR INFORMATION REGARDING HUNTING AND FIREARMS REGULATIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF WILDWOOD, CONTACT [OFFICER CHRIS SAHRMANN](#) OF THE ST. LOUIS COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF WILDWOOD PRECINCT AT 636-458-9194. INFORMATION IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE CITY OF WILDWOOD'S WEBSITE AT CITYOFWILDWOOD.COM.

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT DATES OF WILDLIFE HUNTING SEASONS, CONTACT THE MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION, ST. LOUIS REGIONAL OFFICE, 636-441-4554 OR VISIT THEIR WEBPAGE AT <http://mdc.mo.gov/>.

CITY OF WILDWOOD HUNTING AND FIREARMS REGULATIONS

SECTION 210.220: SPECIFIC PROHIBITED ACTIONS

A. *Definitions.* As used in this Section, the following terms shall have these prescribed meanings:

AIR GUN - Any device designed to fire or discharge a projectile using compressed air or gas, including pneumatic guns, pellet guns, paintball guns or BB guns. Air guns in excess of twenty-two (.22) caliber shall be considered firearms for the purpose of this Article.

ARCHERY DEVICE - Any long bow or compound bow.

CROSSBOW - Any device designed to discharge a bolt, formed as a bow set crosswise on a stock, usually drawn by means of a mechanism and discharged by release of a trigger. A crossbow shall be considered a firearm for the purpose of this Article.

FIREARM - Any rifle, shotgun, pistol, muzzleloader or any similar device or mechanism by whatever name known which is designed to expel a projectile or projectiles by the action of an explosive. The term "*firearm*" shall not apply to air guns or devices designed and used exclusively for commercial, industrial or vocational purposes. The regulations contained within this Section shall not be applicable to Police Officers, military or other licensed security agents as regards the performance of their duties.

MUZZLELOADER - A firearm that is loaded from the muzzle capable of firing a single discharge each time it is loaded.

SHOTGUN - Any firearm designed to fire a number of shot or a single projectile through a barrel by a single function of the trigger.

B. *Specific Actions—Prohibited.*

1. It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, give, lend or otherwise transfer any firearm to any person sixteen (16) years of age or younger, except where the relationship of parent and child, guardian and ward or adult instructor and pupil exists between such person and the person sixteen (16) years of age or younger or, in the case of a gift or loan, where such gift or loan is made with the consent of the parent or guardian of such person sixteen (16) years of age or younger.

2. It shall be unlawful for any person sixteen (16) years of age or younger to carry any firearm on or in any public street, road, highway or park unless accompanied by a person twenty-one (21) years of age or older.

3. It shall be unlawful for any person sixteen (16) years of age or younger to fire or discharge any firearm except while under the immediate personal supervision of his/her parent, guardian or any person twenty-one (21) years of age or older designated by the parent or guardian and who is supervising the firing or discharge of such firearm.

4. It shall be unlawful for the parent or guardian or any person sixteen (16) years or younger in his/her charge or custody to knowingly permit any such person sixteen (16) years of age or younger to fire or discharge any firearm except if it be so done under the immediate personal supervision of said parent, guardian or a person twenty-one (21) years of age or older designated by the parent or guardian.
5. It shall be unlawful for any person to fire or discharge a firearm, air gun, archery device or crossbow in such a manner so as to injure, wound or damage the person or property, real or personal, of another, or in such direction that any projectiles expelled therefrom strikes, hits, enters or goes through any vehicle, dwelling, house, apartment, church, school or other building.
6. It shall be unlawful for any person to fire or discharge any firearm, air gun, archery device or crossbow from or across any street, sidewalk, road, highway, park, playground or recreation area.
7. It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly fire or discharge any firearm, air gun, archery device or crossbow at or in the direction of any person, vehicle, dwelling, house, apartment, building, church, school or other building which is within range of the same.
8. It shall be unlawful for any person to fire or discharge any firearm or air gun expelling a single solid projectile from any boat or other water vessel or across or into the Missouri or Meramec Rivers or any lake or reservoir.
9. It shall be unlawful for any person carrying a firearm, air gun, archery device or crossbow to knowingly enter or go upon the premises or property of another, or to fire or discharge any firearm, air gun or archery device while on the premises or property of another without first having obtained the written permission from the owner, lessee or person in charge of such premises or property. The duly obtained written permission shall be carried in the personal possession of the person requesting and receiving such permission. This Subsection shall not apply to a person carrying, firing or discharging any firearm, air gun, archery device or crossbow while in the immediate presence of the owner, lessee or person in charge of the property or premises, or to the entry upon the premises for the sole purpose of obtaining written permission of the owner, lessee or person in charge of the property. This Subsection shall also not apply to a person with the sole purpose of carrying a concealed firearm and who is otherwise in compliance with Chapter 571, RSMo., regarding concealed carry endorsements.
10. It shall be the discretion of the owner, lessee or person in charge of any premises or property to limit the type of firearm, air gun, archery device or crossbow which may be fired or discharged for any reason. The type of firearm, air gun, archery device or crossbow permitted by the owner, lessee or person in charge shall be stated in writing along with the permission to enter any such premises or property. Failure to comply with the written request of the property owner, lessee or person in charge as regards the firearm, air gun, archery device or crossbow shall be considered a violation of this Section.

11. It shall be at the discretion of the owner, lessee or person in charge of any premises or property to set the parameters under which any person may fire or discharge a firearm, air gun, archery device or crossbow upon any such premises or property under the control of the owner, lessee, or person in charge. The parameters to fire or discharge a firearm, air gun, archery device or crossbow must be otherwise in compliance with the provisions of this Section.

12. It shall be unlawful to fire or discharge any firearm within four hundred fifty (450) feet of any dwelling, house, apartment building, church, school, playground, recreational area or any building not owned by the person discharging the firearm, unless the person has written permission of the owner, lessee or person in charge of such premises or property; it shall be unlawful to fire or discharge an archery device within two hundred (200) feet from any dwelling, house, apartment building, church, school, playground, recreational area or any building not owned by the person discharging the archery device, unless the person has written permission of the owner, lessee or person in charge of such premises or property.

13. It shall be unlawful to fire or discharge at any time any firearm or archery device on any parcel of land containing less than three (3) acres, except to fire or discharge an archery device at a fixed target (for target practice purposes) located at least two hundred (200) feet from any dwelling, house, apartment building, church, school, playground, recreational area or any building not owned by the person discharging the archery device.

14. It shall be unlawful to fire or discharge at any time a firearm other than a shotgun, muzzleloader, air gun (including in excess of twenty-two (.22) caliber) or crossbow on any property in the City east of Missouri State Route 109.

15. It shall be unlawful to commit any act violating any provision set forth in Sections 571.010 through 571.150, RSMo., inclusive.

C. *Hunting Regulations.*

1. All current laws of the State of Missouri as regards to the regulation of hunting shall be obeyed within the corporate limits of Wildwood.

2. All provisions of Subsection (B) of this Section shall apply to hunting within the corporate limits of Wildwood.

3. *Hunting of smaller game.* It shall be unlawful to use any firearm other than a shotgun to take small game such as rabbits or squirrels or to take game such as water fowl or upland game birds.

4. *Hunter safety course required.* All persons required to have taken a hunter safety course as prescribed by Missouri State law shall also be required to have such certificate of completion from the Missouri Department of Conservation in order to hunt within the corporate limits of Wildwood.

5. *License may be inspected.* It is the duty of every person holding a hunting license and permit to submit the same for inspection by any agent of the Missouri Department of Conservation,

Department of Natural Resources, St. Louis County Parks Department or any Police Officer or Marshal thereof.

6. *Special hunts.* Any special hunts permitted by the Missouri Department of Conservation or Department of Natural Resources or the St. Louis County Parks Department shall be permitted under this Section after obtaining approval of the City Council of the City of Wildwood.

D. *Exceptions.*

The provisions of Subsection (B) of this Section shall not apply to the discharge of firearms, air guns, archery devices or crossbows where necessary to protect life, livestock, crops or other property, nor to any Peace Officer acting in the discharge of his/her official duties, nor to the discharge of blank cartridges in theater performance or sporting events, nor to the firing of salutes by firing squads at military ceremonies.

E. *Penalties.*

Any person violating any provision of this Section shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) nor more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or by imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days, or both, for each offense.

PERMISSION TO HUNT ON PRIVATE PROPERTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH WILDWOOD HUNTING REGULATIONS

I hereby grant permission for the following person to hunt on the private property described below, subject to the listed restrictions:

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

PERMISSION TO HUNT VALID FROM: _____ to _____.
day/month/year day/month/year

****Limited to March 1 of the year following the date permission is given****

TYPE OF FIREARM / DEVICE PERMITTED:

___ Any legal firearm or archery device during the appropriate season

___ Shotgun only or archery device during the appropriate season

___ Shotgun only

___ Archery device only

___ Air Rifle only

___ Other restrictions under which the above person may hunt on this property:

The above person agrees to abide by the noted stipulations and **must carry this written permission on their person at all times when hunting on the listed property.** Permission may be revoked at any time by the property owner.

SIGNATURE OF PROPERTY OWNER: _____

PRINTED NAME OF PROPERTY OWNER: _____

ADDRESS OF PROPERTY WHERE HUNTING WILL OCCUR:

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