

Deer Management General Rules

1. Licensing and Permits
 - a. At least 12 hunters will be given permits.
 - b. Applicant must have a current WIDNR archery license.
 - c. Applicants must have an understanding of the general rules for shooting safely and ethically.
 - d. Individual applicants for city properties will be entered into a lottery conducted by the deer management committee in the event more than 12 hunters apply for the opportunity.
 - f. In the event of a harvest, the hunter should report it to the city clerk's office within 48 hours. Phone number is 920-398-3031.

2. While participating in the hunt, individuals must:
 - a. Have a current WIDNR archery license from the prior year.
 - b. Have a City of Markesan nuisance permit when available.
 - c. Must have a map of the city property being hunted.
 - d. Have "signed in" at the Markesan Police station indicating a property location. Must also "sign out" at the end of the hunt.
 - e. Have the ability to contact the Markesan Police non-emergency phone in the event that a deer is being tracked. Contact is made through the Green Lake County Sheriff's office non-emergency phone number 920-294-4000.
 - f. At no time is a hunter allowed to access private city properties without land owner permission.

3. Tree/Elevated Stands:
 - a. All tree stands must be elevated and portable.
 - b. No screw-in steps, nails, or screws can be used for climbing.

- c. All stands shall bear the name of the owner and a phone number.
 - d. The City of Markesan is not responsible for unattended stands.
 - e. The City of Markesan reserves the right to regulate where stands are placed and shooting direction.
 - f. All tree stand hunters shall wear a safety harness while in a stand.
4. Ground blind (special needs, veteran, and active service hunters):
- a. A ground blind will be available for citizens in these categories.
 - b. The blind is available on a first come, first served basis.
 - c. Persons using this blind must "sign in" and "sign out" at the Markesan Police Station.
 - d. Stand location will be determined on an annual basis, and can be moved as determined. Its location will also be identified on City hunt maps located at the Markesan Police Department.
5. Deer drives are prohibited.
6. Hunting dates are limited to those prescribed by the City Council. Hunting hours must be consistent with DNR regulation.
7. Hunters must be aware of downrange areas and think safety first.
8. All deer harvested must be processed for their meat for personal use, or donated to a food pantry.
9. The expectation is for good discretion when selecting a place to field dress any harvest. A private land location is available at W2561 State Highway 44 (near bridge) if needed.

10. Important numbers for City of Markesan annual hunts:

Game Violations - WI DNR 1-800-847-9367

Hunter Harassment, - Green Lake County Sheriff's non-emergency
Trespassing, number. 920-294-4000

Destruction of property,
Vandalism, etc.

Emergencies - 911

11. The City may also encourage the city's larger private landholders, and adjoining municipalities, and townships to support the Markesan efforts to control the deer population. The Deer Management Committee recognizes that the deer herds migrate throughout the region and population control success will be limited without support from surrounding jurisdictions and private lands.