

## 6th Annual City of Davenport Urban Deer Hunt

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The fifth annual urban deer hunt will begin in Davenport on September 10, 2011 and continue through January 29th 2012. This year the special deer management zone will include all areas of three acres or more inside Davenport city limits. Landowner permission is required to hunt on private or public property. The only legal deer license recognized within the Davenport city limits will be a special deer management zone permit. The hunt will be coordinated by Parks and Recreation employee, Mike Reis, who can be contacted at: 563-320-2315.

The City of Davenport has created a special antlerless management zone, for the purpose of controlling the deer population within the City of Davenport. This zone will include all public and private property with a minimum of three acres or more, within Davenport City Limits. To legally hunt deer within this management zone, a special deer management tag must be obtained.

To participate in this deer management zone hunt each hunter must have completed a DNR Hunter Education Course. For information concerning the time and date of this course, please contact: B & B Shooting Supplies, 2152 State Street, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722, Phone: (563) 355-4867. A yearly proficiency test will be required to purchase a deer management zone tag. This test will be offered through B & B Shooting Supplies.

Deer tags may be purchased from:

- B & B Shooting Supplies 2152 State Street, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722
- Farm and Fleet of Davenport 8535 Northwest Boulevard Davenport, Iowa

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- Gander Mountain 3940 Elmore Avenue, Davenport, Iowa

Rules and regulations that apply to the Deer Hunt are as follows:

- To reduce arrow flight, it is mandatory that all shots are taken from an elevated position.
- Portable tree stands (provided by the hunter) may be used.
- Care must be taken to minimize damage to trees.
- Harvested animals must be removed intact from the site.
- Hunters agree to maintain a distance of 150 feet away from any occupied building, street, or paved trails.
- To maximize safety, hunters are encouraged to take shots of 75 feet or less.
- No baiting, driving, or stalking of deer is allowed.
- Hunters will observe all regulations of Iowa DNR as pertaining to deer bow hunting.

More information can be found at [www.cityofdavenportiowa.com/parks](http://www.cityofdavenportiowa.com/parks). Within 24 hours of harvest, hunters filling a special deer management tag must contact:

Hunt Coordinator:

Mike Reis

Parks & Recreation Department,

Red Hawk Golf Course

6364 Northwest Blvd

Phone: (563) 320-2315