

RULES OF THE UNIVERSITY HUNT 2022-2023

General

- Only persons on the approved list located at check station are permitted to hunt.
- **All TWRA hunting rules and limits will apply. All deer must be tagged against the hunter's license and count against the hunter's statewide limits. All check-in will be via the Internet**
- This hunt is comprised of numbered zones where hunting is permitted only from elevated treestands. After December 16th in zones with the "M" designation, muzzleloaders, shotguns, and bows may all be used by eligible hunters. Eligibility rules for gun hunting will be released prior to December 16th.
- All treestands must be labeled with owner's name, phone number, and hunting season year.
- All hunters must be signed in and have location on the check in map when hunting. The whiteboard at the check station must be initialed by the hunter for checking in and out of zones for all hunts.
- Do not hunt within the 100-yard safety zone of all open walking trails or fire lanes.
- No supplemental feeding is allowed in any hunting zone at any time during the University sanctioned hunting season.
- Due to University doe harvest requirements, all participants must have valid Sportsman's or type 94 license from TWRA.

Hunt times

- Hunting is allowed on all WEEKDAYS starting September 24th and ending December 16th from first morning light until 10:00 AM in all zones AND 3:30 PM until dusk in zones 3, 4, 6, 7 and 9 only (**There is no hunting on Thanksgiving Day.**)
- Hunting is allowed on all Weekends starting September 25th and ending December 16th from sunrise to 10:00AM and 2:00 PM to sunset.
- Beginning December 17th and running through Jan 8th hunting may occur from sunrise to 10:00AM and 2:00 PM to sunset 7 days a week (**There is no hunting on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day.**)
- **No hunting between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. at any time.**

Harvest

- Field dressing is permitted in all zones.
- For each deer taken all columns of the check-in sheet should be filled in.
- Walk in cooler is available for short term deer storage. Each deer must be tagged with hunter name and confirmation number. Deer must be removed from cooler within 48 hours of harvest.
- If the hunter does not want the deer, let Sandy (931-691-4435) know immediately so that it can be given away in the community.
- All participants are required to shoot four does for every buck taken. Button bucks do not apply to doe quota.
- No buck shall be taken with an inside spread of less than 13 inches at the main beam. This is equivalent to outside the ear spread of a deer with alert ears.

Failure to comply with any of the above regulations or any TWRA regulation will be grounds for permanent removal from the University hunt.

I have read these rules, I understand them, and I agree to abide by them fully.

Signature

Date

Sponsor

PARTICIPATION AND RELEASE AGREEMENT

This is a legally binding Participation and Release Agreement (“Agreement”)

made by me, _____, in favor of the University of the South

I have volunteered to participate in a deer hunting program in areas and at times designated by the University during the months of September 2022 through January 2023. The University has given me permission to possess on its property a hunting weapon and necessary accessories during the designated times, and I must carry a copy of this Agreement, which may not be transferred to any other person, with me during all times I am participating in this cull.

I agree to comply with all the regulations and procedures imposed by the University and with all laws of the State of Tennessee that apply to this deer cull, including obtaining all required licenses.

I fully recognize that there are dangers and risks to which I may be exposed by participating in the deer hunt, including serious bodily injury or death. I understand that the University does not require me to participate in this activity, but I want to do so, despite the possible dangers and risks.

I therefore agree to assume and take on myself all the risks and responsibilities in any way associated with this activity. In consideration of and in return for the services, facilities and other assistance provided to me by the University in this activity, I release the University (and its governing boards, employees, and agents) from any and all liability, claims and actions that may arise from injury or harm to me, from my death or from damage to my property in connection with this activity. I understand that this Agreement covers liability, claims, and actions caused entirely or in part by acts or failures to act of the University (or its governing boards, employees, or agents), including but not limited to negligence, mistake, or failure to supervise by the University.

I recognize that this Agreement means I am giving up, among other things, rights to sue the University, its governing boards, employees, and agents from injuries, damages, or losses I may incur. I also understand that this agreement binds my heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, as well as me.

I have read this entire agreement, I fully understand it, and agree to be legally bound by it.

Cell Number

Signature

Email

Date