

ARCHERY RULES & REGULATIONS

- Only Summit County residents may participate in the archery program.
- Any person hunting deer on Metro Parks property shall comply with the regulations and guidelines established by the Ohio Division of Wildlife.
- Deer may only be harvested with a bow and arrow or crossbow and bolt. The archery equipment used must follow guidelines established by the Ohio Division of Wildlife.
- Archers must pass a proficiency test to be eligible for the permit lottery. Those whose names are drawn will be issued a special-use permit, allowing access to a specified conservation area.
- Permits will be issued by the Director-Secretary of Metro Parks, Serving Summit County.
- Any person authorized to hunt deer on Metro Parks property must carry his/her permit and hunting license at all times while hunting in designated areas.
- A permit will be valid for a two-week period in a specified area. Hunters must park in designated areas in the zone they are assigned to.
- Hunters who wish to “scout” an area may only do so between September 6 and September 21, 2008.
- Hunters are fully responsible for the placement of their shots, and no shot shall be taken where an arrow or bolt would travel more than 75 yards.
- Hunters must harvest one antler-less deer before an antlered deer is taken.
- Hunters must make every reasonable and legal effort to retrieve an injured animal.
- Hunters pursuing an injured animal off park property must have the permission of the adjacent landowner before pursuing the deer on private land.
- Hunters must fill out a harvest report at the end of their assigned two-week period. The report shall include the number of deer harvested and the corresponding Ohio Division of Wildlife tag number.
- Hunters who fail to return their special-use and parking permits will not be considered for future drawings.
- Any hunter who fails to follow park rules and state laws will have their permit revoked and be subject to prosecution.