



**Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
2023 Savage Neck Dunes and Mutton Hunk Natural Area Preserve
Coastal Region Lottery Deer Hunt Information and Application**

The Department of Conservation and Recreation is offering a lottery hunt for white-tailed deer at Savage Neck Dunes Natural Area Preserve (NAP) in Northampton County and Mutton Hunk Natural Area Preserve in Accomack County. Each selected hunter will be assigned two consecutive (Monday-Tuesday or Thursday-Friday) hunting days.

- ❑ **There will be four muzzleloader ONLY hunts at Savage Neck Dunes NAP during Early Muzzleloader season (November 6-7, 9-10, 13-14, 16-17).**
- ❑ **There will be four shotgun or muzzleloader hunts at Mutton Hunk NAP during General Firearms Season (December 4-5, 5-6, 11-12, 14-15).**

To participate in the hunt, individuals MUST meet the following requirements:

- Render a \$30 non-refundable Natural Area Preserve hunting fee for each permit requested – up to a total of five (\$150).
- Only deer may be killed in accordance with the Code of Virginia. No other wildlife species may be killed during this hunt.
- Hunters must use non-lead ammunition.
- Each hunter must show proof of successfully completing a Hunter Education Course (contact VDWR at 804-367-1000 or at www.dwr.virginia.gov) for course information, dates and locations.
- Be 16 years of age by the date of the hunt; or, if 12-15 years of age on the date of the hunt, be under the direct supervision of a hunting adult.
- Possess issued permit (successful applicants will receive these via email; permits will bear the name of the selected applicant (Chief-of-Party) and are to be assigned to each hunter in the party – up to a maximum of five).
- Temporary hunting aids, such as field blinds and stands, are permitted provided they do not damage any vegetation. Cutting and trimming vegetation or the use of dogs is prohibited.

Anyone 16 years of age or older may enter the lottery for a chance to participate in this managed deer hunt. Simply complete the application and return it along with the \$5 non-refundable application fee to the **Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation – Division of Natural Heritage** (see address at the bottom of this form). Personal check is the only acceptable method of payment. **Applications must be received by 5 PM, Friday, October 3, 2023. Only one application per person – duplicates will be rejected.** **APPLICANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED OF THE RESULTS BY EMAIL the following week.**



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Each applicant selected in the lottery will be randomly assigned one (1) two-day hunting period. Successful applicants will have the option of purchasing from one (1) up to a total of five (5) permits for their hunt, allowing each hunter to form a party consisting of themselves and up to four (4) other hunters. The applicant (Chief-of-Party) will be responsible for all payments to DCR and will distribute permits to each hunt party member. The \$30 per hunter Natural Area Preserve permit fee is good for the two-day period assigned and must be received by 5PM Friday, October 27, 2023. If payment is not received by this date, your hunt date will be forfeited, and that day will be offered to other hunters on a stand-by list. Payment for hunting permits must be in the form of a personal check payable to Natural Area Preservation Fund. Checks should be mailed to:

Attention: Coastal Region Deer Hunt
DCR – Division of Natural Heritage
600 East Main Street, 24th Floor
Richmond, Virginia, 23219

Applications must also be emailed to both Shannon.alexander@dcr.virginia.gov and tiffany.perry@dcr.virginia.gov, but you are not eligible for the lottery drawing until payment is received.

After payment is received, each Chief-of-Party will be sent an information packet including maps and hunting permits via email. Hunters must sign in and out at the preserve Check-in Station. For more details, call Shannon Alexander at 757-710-3428 or Bryan Ehrenfried at 757-536-5218.

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Name first m.i. last

Email Address

Address street or PO box

city state zip

Phone Date of Birth

2022-23 Hunting License/Customer #: Expiration Date:

2023 hunt dates:

- Muzzleloader ONLY hunts are November 6-7, 9-10, 13-14, 16-17 at Savage Neck Dunes NAP.
Shotgun or muzzleloader hunts are December 4-5, 5-6, 11-12, 14-15 at Mutton Hunk NAP.

Please check the box to the left of the options above only IF you have a preference. Preference is NOT guaranteed.

You must include a \$5.00 check with this application, payable to Natural Area Preservation Fund.