APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Limited access archery hunts exist for deer hunting opportunities within the Custer National Forest deer unit (35L) in Harding County, Good Earth State Park at Blood Run in Lincoln County, and Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve in Union County. Individuals interested in hunting these areas must apply on-line for a free, limited draw Access Permit. The application period will open on July 1 and close on Aug 1. When applying for these Access Permits, please include your email address and assure it is accurate in your GFP profile. Email is how you will be notified on whether you are successful or unsuccessful in drawing an Access Permit.

Quota and season dates:

Custer National Forest (35L)

residents: Sept. 1, 2019 – Jan. 1, 2020
500 resident “any deer” permits
125 nonresident “any deer” permits

Good Earth State Park

5 resident “any deer” permits

Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve

5 resident “any deer” permits
30 resident “antlerless deer” permits

Before a person applies for any of the permit areas, they must first purchase the respective license that allows for the harvest of the deer listed on the Access Permit and is valid in the geographical location that the Access Permit is designated for.

- Application drawings for access permits to hunt in Good Earth State Park, Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve, and Custer National Forest in Harding County (35L) are combined so a person must choose one Access Permit area or another. However, both a first choice and second
choice will be allowed.

- An applicant must purchase a **Statewide (ARD-LM1-13) “antlerless deer” archery license** to be eligible to draw an **Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve “antlerless” deer Access Permit**.

- An applicant must purchase a **Statewide (ARD-ST1-01) or East River (ARD-ER1-01) “any deer” archery license** to be eligible to draw the **Good Earth or the Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve “any deer” Access Permit**.

- An applicant must purchase a **Statewide (ARD-ST1-01) or West River (ARD-WR1-01) “any deer” archery license** to be eligible to draw the **Custer National Forest (35L) “any deer” Access Permit**.

- If drawn, a person must have their **applicable archery license and their Access Permit** in their immediate possession while hunting.

- Only legal archery equipment can be used.

The following criteria and rules will apply to hunting within Good Earth State Park or Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve:

- If drawn, each hunter must check in with the state park/preserve manager, either by phone or in person, before they start hunting.

- Only South Dakota residents can apply for Access Permits for Good Earth State Park and Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve.

- Access Permits are only valid during the dates printed on them.

- Each Access Permit allows for the harvest of one deer, with the type being specified on the permit.

- Access Permit holders are responsible for leaving the property they are hunting in the same condition as they found it. At no time will a hunter be allowed to drive a motor vehicle on the hunting property, except in designated parking zones.

- A person’s Access Permit will be revoked if the hunter is found to be in violation of any of these rules.

- If other restrictions are implemented, hunters will be notified of those restrictions through e-mail correspondence with successful applicants.

- If you have additional questions about these units, please call Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve at 232-0873, Good Earth at 213-1036, or the GFP Sioux Falls Regional Office at 362-2700.