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**City of Wheeling Announces Rules for 2019 Urban Deer Hunt**

**WHEELING, W.VA.** – In accordance with the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources (DNR) regulations, the City of Wheeling is pleased to announce the 2019 Urban Deer Hunt.

Per regulations promulgated by the DNR, the Urban Deer Hunt will begin on Saturday, Sept. 7 and continue through Tuesday, Dec. 31. There will also be a special Urban Deer Hunting Season beginning Monday, Jan. 13, 2020 continuing through Friday, Jan. 31, 2020.

Permits to participate in the 2019 City of Wheeling Urban Deer Hunt are required and can be obtained beginning Monday, Aug. 26 in person at the Office of the City Manager, Room 302, City County Building , 1500 Chapline St., Monday through Friday between the hours of 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. **only**. Participants must provide a copy of their current West Virginia Hunting License as well as proof of successful completion of the International Bowhunter Education Program Course at the time of sign up; a \$5 application fee will apply. Please note – it is the responsibility of the hunter to make arrangements to take the required safety course.

During this Urban Deer Hunting Season, seven deer may be taken within the corporate limits of the City of Wheeling which shall not apply against the

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hunter's regular archery deer season bag limit under Section 58-45-1 of the West Virginia Code. If a hunter harvests a deer during the special January season, the deer harvested will count towards their 2020 Urban Deer Hunt bag limit of seven deer. West Virginia Code further requires that the first deer harvested must be antlerless and there can be no more than two antlered deer taken during the Urban Deer Hunt.

The rules and regulations for the 2019 City of Wheeling Urban Deer Hunt are available at the Office of the City Manager or online at [www.wheelingwv.gov](http://www.wheelingwv.gov).

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