

Indiana DNR's Deer Hunting Check List

BEFORE YOUR HUNT

	Purchase deer hunting license/licenses
	Find hunting location & secure permission from landowner and surrounding landowners
	Read latest hunting and trapping guide for regulation changes
	Scout your hunting area
	Purchase ammunition and sight-in your firearm or other equipment
	Practice climbing your tree stand or setting up your blind, practice with safety harness
	Ensure all equipment is in good working order

WEEK OR DAY OF THE HUNT

	Check weather and layer clothing appropriately
	Wash hunting clothes with unscented, non-brightening detergent
	Put on hunter orange clothing and ensure it meets requirements
	Sharpen and pack knife for field dressing
	Headlamp/flashlight with spare batteries
	Have hunting license (electronic copies are now valid) and ID ready to go
	Drag rope
	Temporary transportation tag and pen/pencil (fill out most beforehand)
	GPS/Map/Compass
	Water bottle/thermos/ snacks
	Hunting license and ID (it's on here twice, it's THAT important)
	Ammunition
	Small saw or pruners
	Cell phone
	Leave hunting details with family/friends
	String or zip tie to affix temporary transportation tag
	Paper towels/gloves/twist ties or rubber bands for field dressing
	Tree stand with full body harness
	Blind and 144 sq inches of hunter orange visible from all sides
	First Aid Kit
	Binoculars/range finder

AFTER YOU HARVEST A DEER

	Field dress the deer, drag out of woods, affix temporary transportation tag
	Check in deer at check station or online at checkingame.dnr.in.gov or inhuntfish.com
	Process your deer or take to a processor

WHEN YOU'RE DONE HUNTING

	Clean your gear
	Thank private landowner for permission to hunt land (share your harvest)
	Organize and put away gear for next year.