



Observations from the Tree Stand

City of Gahanna - Urban Deer Hunting

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To participate in Gahanna's Urban Deer Hunting Program for the **2016-2017** season, interested hunters **are required** to attend an orientation prior to the start of deer hunting season. At the orientation, members from the Gahanna Police Department, the Gahanna Department of Parks & Recreation, as well as a representative from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), will discuss the rules and regulations of the program and which parks/areas are available for hunting. Last year there were over 250 people that registered and were approved to participate in the Urban Deer Hunting Program. All hunters must follow State rules and regulations, as well as the rules and regulations set forth by the Gahanna Program.

The orientation dates and times are as follows:

If your last name starts with the letter **A thru L**, orientation is Tuesday, August 2nd at 6:00 pm

If your last name starts with the letter **M thru Z**, orientation is Tuesday, August 9th at 6:00 pm

Both meetings will be held in Gahanna's City Hall, located at 200 S. Hamilton Road. All interested hunters are required to bring a photo ID. At the meeting there will be paperwork that must be completed, including the *Application* and *Hold Harmless Agreement*. These forms may be downloaded and completed prior to the orientation or they may be completed at the orientation. The *Hold Harmless Agreement* must be notarized upon completion (notaries will be available at each orientation). Forms may be completed and notarized prior to the registration sessions. The Program will not accept registration forms by electronic format or in advance of one of the published sessions. Approved applications will be subject to a \$10 permit fee to cover administrative costs associated with the program. There is no charge to attend the orientation session.

Please be prompt as there will be no further admittance after 6:00 pm.

How much damage can one deer do?

On October 10th Gahanna Police Officers were dispatched to 66 Mill Street on a report of a deer that broke the window of an office building and was inside the building. This is another reason why it is important to control the deer herd in Gahanna.



If you would like additional information, please visit www.gahanna.gov, click on **Departments, Public Safety, Division of Police** and then **Urban Deer Hunting**, or you may call (614) 342-4231.