

**RESOLUTION AMENDING THE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM  
REQUIREMENTS AND DESIGNATED HUNTING AREAS  
2023/2024 HUNTING SEASON PERMITS**

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 2018-34 established the Wildlife Management Program to allow archery hunting of deer on certain Township-owned properties; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wildlife Management Program is codified as Chapter 74, Article V of the Code of the Township of Robbinsville (“Code”); and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to those rules, regulations, and restrictions expressly set forth in the Code, Section 74-24 of the Code allows additional rules and regulations and codes of conduct to be designated by resolution of the Township Council; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to establish the annual rules, regulations and code of conduct to supplement the Code for the 2023-2024 hunting season;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Council of the Township of Robbinsville, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that the Wildlife Management Program Rules, Regulations, and Code of Conduct for the 2023-2024 hunting season are hereby established as follows:

- A. **Extensions.** Pursuant to Council Resolution 2023-172, adopted on July 13, 2023, the Wildlife Management Program permit lottery was waived and all existing permits issued under the Wildlife Management Program were extended for the 2023/2024 hunting season. Although permits were extended the applicant must still submit all required renewal application information and fees to retain the permit for the 2023/2024 hunting season by 4:00 pm on September 1, 2023. Any permit not retained after the deadline will remain vacant until the next conducted lottery.
- B. **Required Renewal Application Information** - The application required to renew an extended permit shall contain the following:
1. A completed Robbinsville Township Hunting Registration Application, which is available in the Robbinsville Township Municipal Clerk’s Office or on the Township website.
  2. Copies of a valid New Jersey archery hunting license for the applicant and any alternate hunter listed in the application. Junior applicants must list an alternate that is at least twenty-one (21) years of age or older.
  3. A signed release of liability to the Township of Robbinsville for the applicant, and alternate listed in the application.
  4. Copy of a certificate of insurance confirming general liability insurance with coverage with combined single limits for bodily injury and property damage of at

least one million (\$1,000,000.00) dollars per single occurrence and one million (\$1,000,000.00) dollars annual aggregate naming Robbinsville Township or covering anywhere in the United States as an additional insured for the applicant and alternate listed in the application.

5. Copy of driver's license or photo I.D. for the applicant and alternate listed in the application.
6. Two (2) passport size photos (2 in. x 2 in.) for the applicant and two (2) for the alternate listed in the application. In the alternative, the applicant and alternate applicant may submit digital photos, acceptable to the Township Clerk, depicting a facial image similar to the facial image depicted in passport photos.

**C. Eligibility** - All applicants shall adhere to the following restrictions when applying for a hunting permit:

1. Applicants and alternates, not including junior applicants, must be at least eighteen (18) years of age or older by August 31<sup>st</sup> and a resident of New Jersey.
2. Junior applicants between the ages of ten (10) years old and seventeen (17) years old, must have an alternate applicant that is at least twenty-one (21) years of age or older. If a junior applicant is retaining their permit, then both the junior applicant and alternate applicant will both be assigned the same permit number for the hunting area they are awarded. A junior applicant must be accompanied by the alternate applicant while engaged in hunting activities on any property owned by the Township of Robbinsville. A junior individual may be an alternate applicant with an applicant that is at least twenty-one (21) years of age.
3. All applicants and alternate applicants must be in possession of a valid New Jersey archery hunting license at the time of application.
4. An individual may not be both an applicant and an alternate applicant. This provision also applies to individuals that are junior applicants.
5. Any applicant or alternate applicant, who has been found guilty of violating any ordinance or section of the Rules and Regulations or the Codes of Conduct set forth in the Robbinsville Township Hunting Registration Application, may be temporarily or permanently banned from applying for future permits after review by the police.

**D. Process** - Applications shall be available in the Robbinsville Municipal Clerk's office or on the Township website by August 25, 2023.

1. An applicant and alternate wishing to renew their permit for the 2023/2024 hunting season shall submit an application pursuant to Sections A, B, and C above.

2. Applicant information will be sent to the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife for a background check for any Title 23 violations.
3. Once applications have been reviewed and approved, the applicants shall be notified by the Municipal Clerk directly. Applicants and Alternate Applicants shall both make a payment in the amount of one-hundred dollars (\$100.00) per permit (pursuant to §109-25 of the Code of the Township of Robbinsville) by credit, cash, or check/money order made payable to the “Township of Robbinsville” to the Municipal Clerk within ten (10) business days of notification by the Municipal Clerk. The fee is fifty dollars (\$50.00) per permit payable to the “Township of Robbinsville” for a Junior applicant or Junior alternate applicant (pursuant to §109-25 of the Code of the Township of Robbinsville). Failure to pay within ten (10) business days and before 4 pm on the tenth day will result in loss of renewal of permit.
4. All applicants, alternate applicants, and junior applicants must attend the mandatory orientation given by the Police Department to receive their permits.

E. **Alternate Hunters** –Applicants may select an alternate hunter to be listed on their permit, such selection to be made prior to the application deadline. An alternate may only be added after the application deadline if the applicant did not have an alternate listed on their application and the proposed alternate submitted their own completed application prior to the deadline. Changes to alternates after the application deadline may only be made for special circumstances (i.e. injury prohibiting hunting by alternate, death of alternate, relocation of alternate out of state, etc.) on a case-by-case basis if approved by the Division of Police. Changes to alternates on a permit shall be limited to two (2) per season. Alternate hunters shall be permitted to hunt simultaneously with the applicant on the applicant’s awarded property.

F. **Designated Hunting Areas** – The following parcels of property shall be the designated hunting areas for the Robbinsville Township Wildlife Management Program and the number of permits awarded for each area. The assumption is approximately 1 permit per 30 acres. Designated hunting areas are subject to change.

| Area | Block / Lot                            | Acres | Permits | Description   |
|------|--|-------|---------|---|
| 1    | Block 5 / Lot 29.01                    | 38.68 | 1       | This hunting area is located near the intersection of Hutchinson Rd. and Combs Rd.                              |
| 2    | Block 29 / Lot 26                      | 26.99 | 1       | This hunting area sits near the North Gold Drive cul-de-sac and extends to behind the Country Gate Development. |
| 3    | Block 26 / Lot 22                      | 19.24 | 1       | This hunting area sits near the intersection of Sharon Rd. and Woodside Rd.                                     |
| 4    | Block 25.06 / Lots 1.01, 2.99, & 29.01 | 89.48 | 3       | This hunting area sits between Sharon Rd. and the Washington Greene Development.                                |

| Area | Block / Lot                  | Acres | Permits | Description   |
|------|------------------------------|-------|---------|---|
| 5    | Block 47 / Lot 2             | 9.81  | 1       | This hunting area near Allens Rd. across from the NJ Turnpike retention pond. |
| 6    | Block 45 / Lots 2, 3, & 4    | 5.70  | 1       | This hunting area sits on the corner of Sharon Rd. and Windsor Rd.            |
| 7    | Block 9 / Lots 4.10 & 1Q0029 | 61.24 | 2       | Robbinsville Edinburg Rd & Meadowbrook Rd                                     |
| 8    | Block 22 / Lot 34.05         | 2.03  | 1       | Haines Drive  |
| 9    | Block 39 / Lot 4.03          | 30.91 | 1       | Robbinsville Allentown Rd. & Allentown Borough border                         |
| 10   | Block 39 / Lot 3             | 23.17 | 1       | Robbinsville Allentown Rd. & Circle Dr.                                       |

**G. Code of Conduct - In addition to any restriction, rule, or regulation appearing within Chapter 74, Article V of the Code of the Township of Robbinsville, the following shall also apply:**

1. Hunters shall be courteous and respectful to one another and the public at all times.
2. Entry and egress from the hunting area shall be done discretely.
3. Retrieval of any harvested deer shall be done so discretely and out of view of the public. Any evidence of a harvest shall be disposed of appropriately and hidden from the public's view.
4. Any disputes that may occur between hunters that are hunting the same designated area shall be reviewed by the police, which may impose a penalty on the hunter(s) as they deem appropriate.
5. Permitted hunters shall not hunt within one-hundred (100) yards of another hunter or their bait pile without first obtaining permission from that hunter.
6. Permitted hunters utilizing the same hunting area shall coordinate with one another to not interfere with each other's time afield.

I certify this to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Council of the Township of Robbinsville at a meeting held on August 24, 2023.

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Michele Seigfried, Municipal Clerk