



City of Fort Dodge

Urban Controlled Bow Hunt Application

September 20, 2025 - January 10, 2026



All documents **MUST** be submitted in person to the Fort Dodge Police Department or via email at fdpd@fortdodgeiowa.org before 4:30 p.m. on Friday, August 15, 2025. Applications must be typed.

Hunter Information:

First, Middle & Last Name

Email Address

Full Address

Cell Phone Number

Alternate Phone Number

Iowa Driver's License Number

Iowa DNR Customer ID Number

Primary Emergency Contact Name & Phone Number

Secondary Emergency Contact Name & Phone Number

Vehicle Information:

(For vehicle used during hunt)

Year

Make

Model

Color

License Plate Number

Have you ever been arrested or convicted of a crime?

Have you ever had contact with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources which resulted in an enforcement action taking place?

My initials are an acknowledgement of my understanding and permission for the Fort Dodge Police Department to conduct a criminal history background check. I understand any false information or non-disclosures will result in immediate removal from the Urban Controlled Bow Hunt Program.

As an Applicant to the Urban Controlled Bow Hunt Program, your initials below indicate you agree to the following items, and failure to agree will result in immediate removal from the Urban Controlled Bow Hunt Program:

_____ Include a copy of my one time completed "Bow Hunter Safety Education Course" certificate with this application.

_____ Include a copy of my current annual "Archery Proficiency Test" with this application.

_____ Include a copy of my valid Iowa DNR Hunting License.

_____ Must be at least 18 years of age OR older on the day of the Urban Controlled Bow Hunt.

_____ To take all shots from a minimum height of six (6) feet using a manufactured elevated stand with an approved safety harness; each hunter is encouraged to use a TMA or ASTM-certified harness.

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_____ To NOT shoot within 200 feet / 67 yards or less of a home or any building, NOT shoot back into the distance separation; except (do NOT check unless it is applicable).

(1) When hunting one's own property while adhering to distance requirements from the adjoining property owner's structure.

(2) Other property owner(s) waive distance requirement in written statement filed with the City.

_____ To NOT position or use an elevated stand within 100ft / 33 yards of any recreational trail, road or right-of-way, and NO shot shall be taken that may cross or enter into the same.

_____ To shoot downward and no further than 75 feet / 25 yards from an elevated stand, and attempt to retrieve every arrow.

_____ To case all bows while traveling to and from the site to the hunting stand.

_____ To follow IDNR hunting guidelines, except when the City regulations are more restrictive than State regulations.

_____ I agree to attend the mandatory meeting conducted by the Fort Dodge Police Department.

_____ I understand I must report all harvests to both Fort Dodge Police Department and IDNR the harvesting system through text, online, by telephone or visiting their local hunting license agent. See www.iowadnr.gov for more details.

_____ I understand that I must carry and be willing to present, upon request by law enforcement staff, my "Approved Urban Bow Hunter ID Card", IDNR license for the special bow hunt, permission form to hunt (if applicable), and a map verifying that the property being hunted is located within the designated hunt area.

_____ I have read and understand the City of Fort Dodge, Ordinance Chapter 6.23: Urban Controlled Bow Hunting, along with any additional regulations.

_____ I understand that participating in this Urban Controlled Bow Hunt Program is a PRIVILEGE and not a right. I also understand and acknowledge I can be removed from the program at any time.

Hunter's Signature

Date