

6232.1800 EITHER-SEX PERMITS AND PREFERENCE DRAWINGS.**Subpart 1. Procedures for applying for either-sex permit.**

A. Residents and nonresidents are eligible for either-sex permits. A person may not apply for an either-sex deer permit without first purchasing a firearms or muzzleloader deer license. The application may be made for only one of the deer permit areas described in this part, and must be for the season option on the applicant's deer license. A person may submit more than one application for an either-sex permit.

B. The application deadline is the first Thursday following Labor Day.

Subp. 2. Preference drawings for either-sex permits in lottery deer permit areas and special hunt area permits. If the number of applications for either-sex permits in a lottery deer permit area or for permits in a special hunt area exceeds the quota set forth in the annual hunting regulations, a preference drawing will be used to select permit holders. Persons 12 years of age or older may enter the preference drawing by supplying their driver's license number, official state of Minnesota identification number, or 13-digit firearms safety identification number on the application, except that resident hunters under age 16 on the Saturday nearest November 6 may not apply for either-sex permits. All applicants who have reached their 18th birthday by the first Thursday following Labor Day must provide one of these three numbers to qualify. Applicants under 18 years of age who do not submit one of these numbers will be assigned a number and will be entered into the preference drawing. Applicants establish a preference rating based upon the number of times they have applied in previous years and have not obtained an either-sex or special hunt area permit. The preference rating will increase each year the applicant applies unsuccessfully for either an either-sex or special hunt area permit. Persons applying for the first time have no preference. Applicants receiving either-sex or special hunt area permits lose their accrued preference.

Subp. 3. Deer permit areas. Deer permit areas are comprised of registration blocks of the same number.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 14.389; 97A.401; 97B.305; 97B.311; and others at 19 SR 6*

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