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NEW YORK POWER AUTHORITY BLENHEIM-GILBOA POWER PROJECT ARCHERY/ CROSSBOW HUNT

Instructions to Permit Holders

Deer and turkey hunting with compound, recurve or longbow, and deer hunting with a crossbow, will be permitted pursuant to the New York Power Authority's permit program at the Blenheim-Gilboa Power Project¹. New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Southern Zone hunting regulations apply. Observe all D.E.C. laws and project regulations. Report any game law violations.

Possession of a firearm by a permit holder while on New York Power Authority property will result in automatic revocation of the permit and notification to D.E.C. for possible prosecution. Permit holders who encounter persons with firearms should report to Blenheim- Gilboa Power Project Security.

New York Power Authority posted signs and yellow blaze marks identify the project boundaries. **Do not hunt on adjacent lands.** As noted on the attached map, permits are valid only in management areas A-E; safety zones are marked with signs reading "Restricted Area, No Hunting." **Do Not Enter These Areas.**

Cars must be parked in designated parking areas, either in parking lots or roadside, as shown on the attached map. Travel portions of all roadways must be kept clear.

The permit back patch must be displayed on the hunter's back while on the project property.

Portable tree stands may be used. They must be removed on or before December 20. The New York Power Authority is not responsible for any lost or stolen property. Use of nails, wire, screw in tree steps, or any permanent fasteners is prohibited. Deer stands should not be set-up in proximity to hiking trails, as there are other recreational users on the property during the hunting season.

Hunters may enter the project one-hour before daylight and must leave not later than one hour after sunset. Wounded game may be recovered after sunset only by prior notification of Blenheim- Gilboa Power Project Security and conservation law enforcement.

Do not litter. Carry in, carry out.

¹ Bowhunting permitted during the Southern Zone bow hunting season (Oct.1-Nov.17), the regular season (Nov.18-Dec. 10), and the late bow hunting season (Dec.11-Dec.19 and Dec. 26- Jan.1, 2024.)

Crossbows permitted for use Nov. 4- Nov. 17, during the regular season (Nov. 18-Dec. 10), and the late muzzle loading season (Dec.11-Dec.19 and Dec. 26- Jan.1, 2024), pursuant NYS DEC regulations (see <https://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/28605.html#deer>)

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BLENHEIM-GILBOA POWER PROJECT
ARCHERY/ CROSSBOW HUNT**

2023 ARCHERY/CROSSBOW PERMIT APPLICATION

Last Name	First Name	M.I.	Date of Birth
Resident Big Game License #	Archery Document #	Issuing Agent	
Vehicle Make/Model	Year	Color	License Plate #
Mailing Address			
City	State	Zip Code	Phone Number

ATTACH A PHOTOCOPY OF YOUR PROFICIENCY CERTIFICATION.

You must have satisfactorily completed the shooting proficiency portion of the Bow hunter Training program as well as provide all the above information to qualify for a permit.

Incomplete or illegible applications will be discarded without notification to the applicant. Falsification of any part of this application or of the information required will be cause for automatic revocation of your permit. Revocation of a permit will place your name on an ineligible list and future applications will be denied.

The New York Power Authority recognizes that with any sport or recreational activity there is a risk of personal injury or death through accidents, careless acts of the individual and acts of others. Your signature on this application is an acknowledgment of your complete understanding of all the risks involved with hunting. You agree to accept those risks and hold harmless the New York Power Authority for any accident, injury or death sustained while you are on New York Power Authority property.

Signature _____ Date _____

On or before September 23rd, mail completed application and copy of proficiency certification to:
New York Power Authority
2022 Archery/Crossbow Hunt
P.O. Box 898
North Blenheim, NY 12131

BOW HUNTER PROFICIENCY CERTIFICATION

Participation in the September 23rd lottery for a 2023 Blenheim-Gilboa Power Project Hunt permit requires the applicant to have demonstrated shooting proficiency. Proficiency demonstration is a one-time requirement. Previous proficiency certifications are acceptable. Both bow hunt and crossbow applicants **MUST** comply with this requirement.

CROSSBOW APPLICANTS NOTE: the DEC Crossbow Hunting Qualifications and Certificate does NOT demonstrate shooting proficiency!

Proficiency may be certified by a New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Certified Bow Hunter Education Instructor, using International Bow Hunter Education Foundation (IBEF) guidelines. Applicants in possession of a Bow Hunter Education Certification card issued prior to 2002 will find a proficiency certification on the back of their original Bow Hunter Certification card. Proficiency Certification can be conducted by contacting any NYS Bow Hunter Training Instructor. The proficiency certification form is not included on Bow Hunter education cards issued after 2002, however, and is reported on a form specifically developed for this lottery program.

To simplify this process, instructors will be available to conduct proficiency testing:

- Wednesday, September 6 and Wednesday, September 13: 5pm- 7pm at New York Power Authority Blenheim-Gilboa Visitors Center, 1378 State Route 30, North Blenheim.

For an appointment contact the New York Power Authority Blenheim- Gilboa Visitors Center at 1-800-724-0309.

The IBEF proficiency test only takes a couple of minutes to complete. It requires the applicant to place three out of five arrows into a vital area of deer-sized targets located at random distances between 10 and 30 yards.

Any bow hunter that cannot produce his original Bow Training Certificate, and any crossbow hunter who wishes to participate in the September 23rd lottery, can complete the proficiency test at either of the above times.

CAUTION

Timber Rattlesnakes may be found in this area.

They are important members of the natural community and are
protected by law.
They do not attack but will defend themselves if disturbed or cornered.

**Please be aware of your surroundings. Give
them distance and respect.**

**Hunting areas were changed
for the 2022 season.**

**Please refer to the enclosed
map.**



Please be considerate of other users.
Do not hunt on adjacent lands.
Possession of a firearm on NYPA property is strictly prohibited.
Hunting in specified zones allowed 30 minutes before daylight until 30 minutes after sunset.
Be aware of rattlesnakes in these areas.

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NYPA Visitors Center: 1-800-724-0309
NYPA Security: 518-287-6369
In case of Emergency: 911