



**SELF ISSUE PERMIT**  
**Keep with you at all times**  
**LETCWORTH STATE PARK**  
**ARCHERY/MUZZLELOADING/CROSSBOW**  
**BIG GAME HUNTING PERMIT**  
**2024 SEASON**

**ARCHERY DATES:**

**East Side: October 1 – December 17, 2024 & December 26 – January 1, 2025**  
**West Side: October 15 – December 17, 2024 & December 26 – January 1, 2025**

**MUZZLELOADING SEASON**

**EAST & WEST**

**Monday, December 9 – 17, 2024 & December 26 – January 1, 2025**

**CROSSBOW SEASON**

**November 2 – December 17, 2024 & December 26 - January 1, 2025**

**Park Office: 585-493-3600    Park Police: 585-658-4692**

1. ALL activities on State Park lands are regulated. Please check with the park office if you have any questions.
2. Each person must obtain and possess a permit while archery hunting on State Park Lands.
3. Before hunting in the park, you must obtain a permit at the park office or on-line. **You need to obtain this permit only once for archery/muzzleloading/crossbow season. This is your actual Permit.**
4. This permit is valid from October 1, 2024 through January 1, 2025 in accordance to East and West side opening dates listed above.
5. Archery/Muzzleloading/Crossbow is permitted during appropriate DEC Hunting seasons.
6. All forms of target shooting, including sighting in guns, bows, or crossbows, are prohibited.
7. NO permanent tree stands are permitted. Temporary tree stands are allowed **1 week** prior to season but must not damage trees and must be removed by dusk January 5<sup>th</sup>. Tree stands not removed by this date will be removed and destroyed.
8. Motorized vehicles are prohibited on trails and closed areas.
9. Letchworth State Park lands are within WMU 8M.
10. To better manage Big Game population ALL hunters are required to return a completed survey as a condition of your permit. Failure to return survey will result in you not being eligible to receive a permit next year.

This **permit** is issued to: (Print legibility)

First and Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_ Back tag Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Permit holders signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# **ARCHERY HUNTING 2024**

## **East**

**October 1 – December 17, 2024 & December 26 – January 1, 2025**

## **West**

**October 15 – December 17, 2024 & December 26 – January 1, 2025**

### **Hunting Area—WEST of the Genesee River (see attached map)**

1. Both sides of the Main Park Road from Castile to Hogsback. EXCLUDED are posted safety zones.
2. Southeast of 19A, South of Finn Rd, Northeast of Griffith Road.
3. North of the Dam Overlook to Upper Mt. Morris Road. Both sides of road.
4. Keep 500 feet from structures. (Note: The Safety Zone has been expanded near the Gibsonville Road and “C” Cabin areas. Please refer to the map for changes).
5. Follow DEC Rules for hunting distances from structures. (See safety zones on map)

**Hunting Area—EAST of the Genesee River.** The eastern side of the park east of the Genesee River, as far North as the Damsite Road, EXCLUDING the Parade Grounds and Cabin Area D which are south of Trail 7 and west of the park Rd; also EXCLUDING the park land south of Route 436 which is NOT in Wildlife Management unit 8M.

**Archery Only areas are open during regular season for archery.**

## **MUZZLELOADING SEASON EAST & WEST**

**December 9 – December 17, 2024 & December 26 - January 1, 2025**

## **CROSSBOW SEASON**

**November 2 – December 17, 2024 & December 26 - January 1, 2025**

**Archery, Muzzleloader and Crossbow Hunting allowed in all  
SHOTGUN Hunting areas (see hunting map)**



New York State  
Parks, Recreation and  
Historic Preservation

## 2024/2025 Letchworth State Park Hunter Survey

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ (PLEASE PRINT)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

*Your cooperation would be greatly appreciated as we assess and monitor our wildlife and hunting seasons. Failure to return the survey will result in permit ineligibility for the following season. (ONLY ONE PERSON PER SURVEY FORM)*

1. ***How would you rank your hunting experience in Letchworth State Park?***  
**Please circle (1-very dissatisfied to 5-very satisfied)**

1                      2                      3                      4                      5

2. ***Where did you hunt in the park? (Please see attached map)***

Area 1  Area 2  Area 3  Area 4  Area 5  Area 6

3. ***When did you hunt in the park?***

early archery                       regular season                       late archery/muzzleloader

4. ***Approximately how many hours did you hunt in the park?*** \_\_\_\_\_

5. ***Did you harvest a deer/bear (please circle one) If so, how many, male or female?***

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6. ***Where did you harvest a deer/bear?*** \_\_\_\_\_

7. ***What implement did you use?***

bow                       crossbow                       shotgun                       muzzleloader

8. ***Did you have to track a deer/bear (please circle one) onto private property?*** \_\_\_\_\_

9. ***Did you shoot a deer/bear that you were unable to locate?*** \_\_\_\_\_

10. ***Did you see many deer/bear in the park (bucks, does, fawns, cubs)? How many of each?***

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11. *What other wildlife did you see in the park (Bobcat, fisher, turkey, etc.)? Where? If so, how many of each?*

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12. *Did you experience any problems with hunting season? (If so, please explain):*

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13. *Do you have any future recommendations for the hunting season? (If so, please explain):*

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14. *Any additional comments (other wildlife sightings, camping experience, etc):*

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***Please return survey by January 5th:***

***Letchworth State Park  
Attn: Aaron Heminway  
1 Letchworth State Park  
Castile, NY 14427***

**Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD):** CWD remains a serious threat to NY deer populations. DEC conducts disease surveillance to look for CWD. We encourage hunters to reach out to their local DEC to have their deer harvests tested. Report suspected sick deer to your regional DEC office 518-402-8013 or the Park office (585) 493-3600.