

IPLA Game Bird Draw Information

This page includes information and instructions for those interested in or selected to participate in an Indiana Private Lands Access (IPLA) Game Bird Hunt draw. It is important to note that areas participating in reserved hunts are managed by various agencies and may have unique restrictions that each hunter must follow. Please read each area's information packet carefully before pursuing a hunt.

Applying:

You must obtain a valid small game license and Game Bird Habitat Stamp prior to applying. Each hunter is eligible to select one location and one date from the list when applying. There are no age restrictions on applying. Youth hunters may apply if they are properly licensed to hunt small game. Visit our [Game Bird](#) page for more game bird hunting requirements.

Restrictions:

Allowed Equipment: Shotguns only. Lead shot is allowed. Shot size of 4 to 6 is recommended.

Bag Limit: No waterfowl or other game may be harvested on IPLA Gamebird Hunts.

- Pheasant: Only rooster pheasants may be harvested. Hens are protected. The limit is two (2) roosters per hunter.
- Quail: Quail hunting is divided into two zones — north and south. Interstate 74 is the dividing line. The North Zone season is from Nov. 1 to Dec. 15. The South Zone season is from Nov. 1 to Jan. 10. There is a bag limit of four (4) quail per hunter on all IPLA properties.
- Woodcock: The statewide bag limit of three (3) per hunter applies on all IPLA properties.

Hunting Hours:

Hunting hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. ET; 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. CT.

Hunt Information:

- All hunters must follow all laws and obtain all necessary permits and licenses as outlined in the Indiana Hunting & Trapping Guide (including license requirements, bag limits, etc.). In some instances, bag limits may be more restrictive than statewide bag limits (i.e. only 4 northern bobwhite quail may be harvested per hunter).
- Drawn hunters are permitted access to the IPLA tract only during their hunt window or dates.
- Each successfully drawn hunter is required to sign a liability waiver before participating in an IPLA hunt.
- Drawn hunters may bring up to 2 hunting partners to participate in hunts on the drawn dates (3 people total). Only the drawn hunter and their hunting party are permitted on accessed tracts. Additional hunting partners must also sign the liability waiver.
- Only one gamebird hunting party will have access to the property on the drawn date. However, there may be other (small game, deer, waterfowl) hunters using the property at the same time.
- Youth hunters (17 and younger) must be accompanied by an adult who is at least 18 years of age.

- A post-hunt survey must be completed by the drawn hunter. Failure to complete the hunt survey jeopardizes future eligibility in IPLA.
- Hunters must park in designated parking areas. Foot traffic only beyond designated parking areas. Vehicles are not allowed in other areas of the property. The only exception will be for special arrangements to allow access to hunters with disabilities.
- Advanced scouting is not permitted. You may only access the property during your selected hunt window.

Area Information: IPLA Gamebird Hunts are available in 7 counties. Some counties include more than one hunt location.

- Sullivan
- Pike
- Greene
- Scott
- Steuben
- DeKalb
- Jasper

Contact:

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