

Interim Board Resolution

Requires 2/3 Majority

Submitted by: Rob Miller, Vice President & Leonard Shaner, Executive Board
Passed: October 5th, 2022 Executive Board Meeting
Title: Mandatory Deer Harvest Reporting Requirements

1. **WHEREAS:** Understanding that the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) needs
2. correct and complete harvest data to effectively manage the deer herd of Michigan to ensure a
3. healthy deer herd in the state; and,
4. **WHEREAS:** The MDNR and the Natural Resources Commission (NRC) has implemented
5. mandatory deer reporting through an on-line system
6. or cell phone app in Wildlife Conservation Order #4 of 2022; and,
7. **WHEREAS:** It is advertised as the first year being focused on education with an effort of
8. issuing citations to be at a minimum; and,
9. **WHEREAS:** Public Act 451 of 1994 commonly referred to as NREPA calls for a criminal
10. misdemeanor penalty for those in non-compliance with an NRC order; and,
11. **WHEREAS:** This reporting process calls for the hunter to identify the location of the successful
12. hunt in a very specific manner; and,
13. **WHEREAS:** This order calls for harvest reporting to be complete within 72 hours of harvest;
14. NOW,
15. **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** Following this year of education, a violation be dropped from
16. a misdemeanor crime to a civil infraction; and,
17. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** The requirement of sharing your location be changed from exact
18. property to listing the county and township where the successful hunt took place; and,
19. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** The time allowed for reporting be changed from 72 hours after
20. the harvest, or 24 hours after returning home from a remote camp with inadequate access to
21. service. Michigan United Conservation Clubs to work with the MDNR, the NRC and/or the
22. Michigan Legislature to support the above changes to this new harvest reporting requirement.