

Apply Now For World Shooting And Recreational Complex Youthwingshooting Clinic And Illinois Youth Pheasant Hunt

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SPRINGFIELD – Young hunters between the ages of 10 and 17 can apply now for the Youth Wingshooting Clinic and Illinois Youth Pheasant Hunt scheduled for Saturday, March 19 at the World Shooting and Recreational Complex in Randolph County.

Young hunters will participate in a wingshooting clinic during the morning with instruction from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and National Sporting Clays Association certified wingshooting instructors. Young hunters will practice safe shotgun handling and operation while advancing their wingshooting skills during the clinic. Following the morning clinic and lunch, a pheasant hunt will take place during the afternoon. Young hunters must have successfully completed an approved Hunter Safety Course and have a valid hunting license to participate.

Co-sponsors assist the IDNR and the World Shooting and Recreational Complex with the clinic and hunt by providing funding for the clay targets, target and field shot shells, and lunch for participants. Co-sponsor organization members also provide bird dogs, bird dog handlers, and hunting guides. The WSRC event co-sponsors are Friends of the World Shooting and Recreational Complex, National Wild Turkey Federation - Randolph County Cutters and Strutters Chapter, and Okaw Valley Beagle Club.

Permits for the wingshooting clinic and youth pheasant hunt are available through the IDNR Controlled Pheasant Hunting online reservation system at https://dnr2.illinois.gov/controlledhunt/. Select "CLICK HERE FOR APPLICATIONS" and then select "Illinois Youth Pheasant Hunts" to apply. Hunters need to review "Illinois Youth Pheasant Hunt Information" and "Illinois Youth Pheasant Hunt Regulations" on the Controlled Pheasant Hunting website prior to applying.

Participants in the clinic and hunt will be required to observe all guidance from the CDC and Illinois Department of Public Health at the time of the event regarding face coverings and social distancing.