

UNITED BOWHUNTERS OF ILLINOIS

The purpose of the United Bowhunters of Illinois is:

- To promote fellowship among people whose primary interest in the field of bowhunting is ethics and sportsmanship:
- To encourage and promote the taking of wild game in a fair, humane and ethical manner while hunting with the bow and arrow.
- To educate and share with others the knowledge, safety skills and experiences gained through bowhunting.
- To promote safety and ethical behavior to the non-hunting public.
- To encourage and support sound bowhunting legislation and oppose legislation that is not consistent with its purpose or that is harmful bowhunting.
- To promote and educate people about the wise use of natural resources, conservation of wildlife and preservation of natural habitat
- To work with the Department of Natural Resources to achieve these purposes.
- To promote the heritage and traditions of bowhunting.

UNITED BOWHUNTERS OF ILLINOIS RULES OF FAIR CHASE

The term "Fair Chase" shall not include the taking of animals under the following conditions:

- Helpless in, or because of, deep snow or helpless on ice.
- While swimming. Helpless in a trap.
- While confined behind fences as on a game farm, etc.
- In defiance of game laws or out of season.
- By "jacklighting" or shining at night.
- From any power vehicle or power boat.
- By the use of any power vehicle for herding or driving any animal, including the use of aircraft for landing alongside of any animal or herd, or to communicate with or direct a hunter on the ground.
- By the use of any tranquilizers or poison.
- By the use of firearms, except when hunting with a firearm during legal firearm seasons.
- By the use of a bow and arrow to which any electronic device is attached.

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ County: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

AGE: _____ NUMBER OF YEARS BOWHUNTING: _____

TYPE OF EQUIPMENT USED: ___ LONGBOW ___ RECURVE ___ SELFBOW ___ SHORTBOW ___ OTHER

ARROW TYPE: ___ ALUMINUM ___ FIBERGLASS ___ CARBON ___ WOOD ___ OTHER BROADHEAD: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a game law violation in any state? ___ Yes ___ No

If yes, please explain on a separate sheet of paper.

If accepted as a member of the U.B.I., I pledge to abide by the U.B.I. "Rules of Fair Chase" at all times. I also pledge the use of a traditional hunting bow* of at least 40 pounds (peak weight) and the use of arrows, including broadheads, of not less than 400 grains, while in the pursuit of large game animals. I also pledge to abide by all game laws of the state or province in which I am hunting and at all times to maintain the highest ethical standard possible while hunting.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE: _____

Please send application and check or money order payable to the United Bowhunters of Illinois in care of:

Jim Ellis, UBI Treasurer \$20 – 1 Year \$35 – 2 Years \$200 - Lifetime
1744 Knox Road
Maquon, Illinois
61458

* **Traditional Bow:** Limited to handheld and hand-drawn longbows, shortbows, selfbows, reflex or recurve bows. Compounds or crossbows are prohibited.