Hunting Opportunities on Otonabee Conservation Lands

Otonabee Conservation allows hunting on 8 of its properties. Depending on the property, you may hunt for waterfowl, white-tailed deer, black bear, turkey and small game.

Please be advised that wheeled motorized land vehicles (i.e. ATV), drones, trail cameras and the construction of deer stands and hunt camps (temporary or otherwise) are strictly prohibited. Additional restrictions apply to some properties where hunting is allowed – these restrictions are noted below.

Licences and Permits
Hunters must possess a valid hunting licence as issued by the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry.

Hunters must possess a valid Hunting Permit, issued by Otonabee Conservation. You may apply for a hunting permit by completing the Hunting Permit Application Form.

Hunters must also be a member of the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters and be able to provide proof of membership to Otonabee Conservation upon request. Membership in the OFAH includes insurance coverage, which is required to hunt on Otonabee Conservation designated hunting properties.

Hunting Opportunities on Designated Lands and Applicable Restrictions

Birdsall Wildlife Area
Restrictions: Waterfowl only along the shore of Rice Lake; Archery hunting for White-tailed Deer in Otonabee Ward only.

Cavan Swamp Wildlife Area
 Restrictions: No hunting on Part Lot 21 and Part Lot 23, Concession 12, Cavan Ward.

Darling Wildlife Area
Restrictions: Hunting is restricted to waterfowl, game birds, small game and White-tailed deer only.

Douro Forest Block
Restrictions: Firearms are restricted to shotguns and archery only; No hunting with dogs; No hunting in the designated No Hunting Areas described as the first 100 metres south of the private residences located along Birchview Road and the first 25 metres in from both the east and south boundary; Access to the Douro Forest Block for hunting is restricted to the Unopened Road Allowance located in the northwest corner of the property, south off Birchview Road.

Dummer Wildlife Area
Restrictions: None

Otonabee Conservation Agreement Forest
(includes the Oatbox, White Lake West, White Lake, Dummer East and hydro line Ridge Forests)
Restrictions: None
**Sawer Creek Wildlife Area**  
Restrictions: None

**Squirrel Creek Conservation Area**  
Restrictions: Waterfowl only along the south shoreline of the property

Should you have any questions about hunting on Otonabee Conservation lands, please contact:  
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