Make a difference!

. . . become a hunter education instructor
. . . mold tomorrow's hunter—join us today

Instructor qualifications:

- Be at least 18 years old
- Attend and complete training
- Pass a background investigation
- Meet minimum education levels

For more information about becoming an instructor, visit the Game Commission education page at www.pgc.state.pa.us or call the Game Commission Hunter-Trapper Education Division at 717-787-7015

Looking for a hunter education class?

You can even register for a class online!
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Want to Become a Deputy WCO?

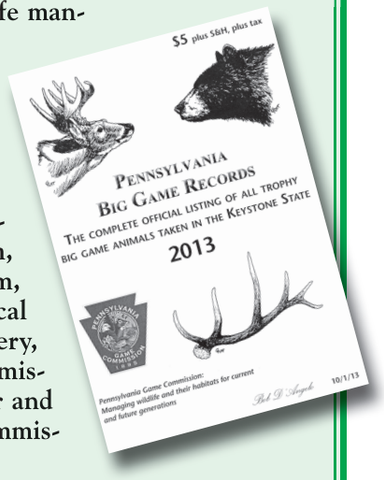
Deputy Wildlife Conservation Officers are local representatives of the Pennsylvania Game Commission. Individuals selected for these positions serve in a volunteer capacity and perform their duties under the supervision of a District Wildlife Conservation Officer. Deputies do not receive regular salary or wages. They may receive compensation at a Commission approved per diem rate, in lieu of wages and expenses on certain approved days, but history has shown that, in the performance of their duties, deputies spend far more money than they make.

Deputies are recruited locally on an as needed basis. Applicants must be in good physical condition, have a good knowledge of hunting, trapping and other outdoor activities, and be able to maintain a good working relationship with fellow officers and the public. Deputies should be prepared to function in all phases of Commission activities, including law enforcement, hunter education and other educational exhibits/programs, wildlife management and land management.

For more information about the qualifications needed and becoming a deputy, write 2001 Elmerton Ave., Harrisburg, PA 17110-9797; or call 717-787-4250.

The Game Commission bases its Big Game Scoring Program after, and uses the measuring system, of the well known Boone & Crockett Club. Scoring and keeping track of big game animals is important because taking a record book animal brings to attention the excellence of habitat and wildlife management practices that produce healthy wildlife populations. The scoring program also stresses hunter and conservation ethics, and is another tool that promotes recreational hunting and supports Pennsylvania's strong hunting heritage.

A printed version of the current PA records is available for $5 plus shipping, plus 6% sales tax. The updated 2013 Record Book will be available by October 2013. To order call 1-888-888-3459. The categories and minimum scores for inclusion in the "Pennsylvania Book" are: Typical White-tailed Deer—Firearm, 140-0/8; Typical White-tailed Deer—Archery, 115-0/8; Nontypical White-tailed Deer—Firearm, 160-0/8; Nontypical White-tailed Deer—Archery, 135-0/8; Black Bear—Firearm, 19-0/16; Black Bear—Archery, 17-0/16; Typical Elk—Firearm, 300-0/8; Typical Elk—Archery; 200-0/8; Nontypical Elk Firearm, 325-0/8; Nontypical Elk—Archery, 275-0/8. To enter a big game animal or for more information about the Game Commission's Big Game Records Program, contact Boone & Crockett Club certified scorer and coordinator of PA's program Bob D'Angelo at rdangelo@pa.gov or call the Game Commission Harrisburg Headquarters.



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