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**200; -4232 Bowhunter Survey  
Maryland DNR  
Wildlife & Heritage Service**

Dear Bowhunter,

**We need your help!** We have been collecting bowhunter observation data since 2002 and are beginning to see important trends in some of our wildlife species. Continued participation by an adequate number of bowhunters is critical to the success of this survey. The observations you make day after day, and year after year while bowhunting, when combined with other bowhunters across the state, can be used as a powerful tool to effectively monitor Maryland wildlife populations. There really is no substitute for having hundreds of sets of eyes in the woods making observations. Therefore, we are asking you to take the time to document some of the information about your bow hunts so that we can make better management decisions for the wildlife in Maryland.

On the backside of this page you will find a survey form where you can record information about your daily bow hunts. It is important that all information be filled out for each hunt. Especially try to record the date and time. Without these pieces of information, we cannot use the rest of the information for that hunt. We ask that you complete the survey in accordance with the instructions found below. If additional forms are needed, feel free to photocopy this form or download it at <http://www.dnr.state.md.us/wildlife/bhsurveylet.asp>.

A bound report summarizing the results of the 200; -4232 survey will be produced and sent to all individuals responding to this request. The results from previous years of the survey can be found at the above web address. **Thank you for your valuable efforts on behalf of Maryland's wildlife resources!**

Sincerely,

Robert C. Colona  
Furbearer Project Leader  
Wildlife & Heritage Service

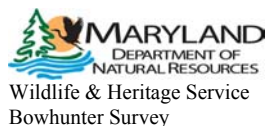
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**Instructions**

1. Record the date of each individual hunt you participated in.
2. Record the number of hours of each hunt. Your hunt ends when you return to your vehicle and/or leave the field.
3. Record the County of each hunt. If you hunted in more than 1 county during a calendar day, record each occurrence as a separate hunt.
4. Date, number of hours, and county are critical pieces of information for the survey. **Unfortunately, we will not be able to use any data for hunts where this information is missing, so please be sure to include it.**
5. Record yes or no to the questions concerning public land (any property owned by federal, state or local government), sika hunting, deer lure, cover scent, elevated stand, and bait.
6. Record the number of animals you observed during each hunt in the appropriate columns. Leave the columns blank if none of those animals were observed.
7. If you observed any wildlife species not listed on the form, please list the species and number observed in the last column.
8. Record the number of questionnaires you have completed and are returning for this hunting season in the space provided. Additional forms can be downloaded at <http://www.dnr.state.md.us/wildlife/bhsurveylet.asp>, or photocopy this form.
9. Fold the completed forms along the dotted lines and tape together where marked.
10. Please return this form by March 1, 2032. If you complete more than one form, mail them separately or together. Postage is prepaid, no additional stamps are required. **Please be sure the address section below is facing outward when mailing.**

**Thanks again for your time, effort and cooperation!**

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### 2009 - 2010 Bowhunter Survey Form

See instructions on reverse side. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City and State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date	Number of Hours Hunted	County of Hunt	Public Land? (Yes or No)	Hunting Sika Deer? (Yes or No)	Lure Used? (Yes or No)	Cover Scent Used? (Yes or No)	Elevated Stand Used? (Yes or No)	Bait Used? (Yes or No)	1. Deer (less than 1 year old) White-tail = W, Sika = S	2. Deer (Bucks) White-tail = W, Sika = S	3. Deer (Does) White-tail = W, Sika = S	4. Deer (Sex Unknown) White-tail = W, Sika = S	5. Muskrat	6. Nutria	7. Beaver	8. Weasel	9. Mink	10. Striped Skunk	11. Fisher	12. Otter	13. Gray Fox	14. Red Fox	15. Coyote	16. Opossum	17. Raccoon	18. Bobcat	19. Gray Squirrel	20. Eastern Fox Squirrel	21. Turkey	Other Species (grouse, bear, quail, rabbit, etc.)		
9/21/09	3	Dorchester	No	No	yes	No	yes	yes	W	S	SW	Example														1	2		2		3	14 quail