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Order Establishing Deer Season 2026

Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan

Per Tribal Ordinance 11, Section 105 subdivision 6(B) the **2025 Deer Season within the exterior boundaries of the Isabella Indian Reservation and on designated Tribal Trust lands outside the exterior boundaries of the Isabella Indian Reservation shall begin September 7, 2026 and will close on February 1, 2027 unless ordered otherwise. Further restrictions shall be as follows:**

September 7, 2026 - October 31, 2026 shall be Bow only.

November 1, 2026 – February 1, 2027 shall be Bow or Gun

The 2026 Deer Season will allow for the harvest of five (5) deer as follows:

3 antlerless ¹

1 Restricted (restricted to four (4) or more 1 inch minimum points on one side.)

1 Antlered (any size antlered)

¹Antlerless gives the ability to take an antlerless deer or a deer with antlers less than three (3) inches in length. (Ordinance 11, Section 103, Subdivision 2)

Licenses and harvest tags will be available starting August 25, 2026 at the Office of Tribal Licensing & Regulations. \$10.00 per harvest tag. Only five (5) tags are allowed.

“Other Indians²” may not hunt on Tribal Trust or Tribal owned Fee Land.

²Other Indians as defined in Tribal Ordinance 11, Section 104 subdivision 52.

Per Tribal Ordinance 11, Section 105 subdivision 5(B) **Animal harvest must be reported within 72 hours of take by phone, email, or online.**

Please refer to the Ordinance 11 on the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe website for rules and regulations.

Hunter Orange is to be in accordance with Tribal Ordinance 11, Section 104 subdivision 5 and harvest reporting is to be in accordance with Tribal Ordinance 11, Section 105 subdivision 5(B).

Tribal lands designated for hunting are provided by the map located at the Tribe’s Planning Department or Office of Tribal Licensing and Regulations.

Tree stands/Blinds are only permitted on Tribal property one (1) week before the start of deer season as stated above and must be removed one (1) week after deer season close date as stated above; remaining items will be confiscated. No screw-in tree steps, spikes, etc. are permitted, except bow/gun hooks. Tree stands/Blinds must have name and address affixed in a visible area or they will be subject to confiscation.



Luke Sprague, Tribal Chief
Dated: 7 August 2026