Sylvan Township Deer Stand Policy

All stands must be free standing or are fastened to trees using ropes or straps. Screws or driven spikes must not be used; short stabilizing projections may be used if they do not damage trees.

Steps that are screwed into trees may not be used.

Trees and brush may not be cut or removed.

Deer stands may be placed on Township property 10 days prior to the beginning of the deer hunting season for which the user of the stand is licensed to hunt. The stands must be removed within 5 days of the end of the hunting season.

Persons placing a stand on Township property must place a tag on the stand with name and phone number.

A hunter may not place a stand less than 300 feet from an existing stand.

A hunter may not place a stand less than 500 feet from a residential dwelling.

Hunters are reminded that hunting of deer on Sylvan Township land is limited to Archery, Black powder rifles or Shotguns.

Note: *This policy was developed to offer a consistent policy for hunters who wish to hunt on Sylvan Township land. At the same time this policy will provide additional safety for citizens who wish to enjoy the Township property and may be exposed to an “attractive nuisance” that might pose a risk to children and adults who might climb on unused stands.*