

Paint laws and right to hunt

Twenty-four states protect the right to hunt and fish in their constitutions, with Vermont being the first in 1777 and most others adding amendments since 1996. The states are: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming

<https://www.ncsl.org/environment-and-natural-resources/state-constitutional-right-to-hunt-and-fish>

At least 22 states have a [purple paint law](#) that allows landowners to post their property as "no trespassing" by marking trees or posts with purple paint, rather than traditional signs. These states include Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Missouri, Montana, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia.

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2025/05/03/purple-paint-law-no-trespassing/83429702007/>

	State	Constitutional right to hunt	Purple Paint Law	Both	Purple Paint Law
1	Alabama	X	X	1	1
2	Arkansas	X	X	2	2
3	Florida	X	X	3	3
4	Georgia	X			
5	Idaho	X	X	4	4
6	Indiana	X	X	5	5
7	Kansas	X	X	6	6
8	Kentucky	X			
9	Louisiana	X	X	7	7
10	Minnesota	X			
11	Mississippi	X			
12	Montana	X	X	8	8
13	Nebraska	X			
14	North Carolina	X	X	9	9
15	North Dakota	X			
16	Oklahoma	X			
17	South Carolina	X	X	10	10
18	Tennessee	X	X	11	11
19	Texas	X	X	12	12
20	Utah	X			
21	Vermont	X			
22	Virginia	X	X	13	13
23	Wisconsin	X			
24	Wyoming	X			
	Arizona		X		14
	Illinois		X		15
	Iowa		X		16
	Maine		X		17
	Maryland		X		18
	Missouri		X		19
	New Hampshire		X		20
	Pennsylvania		X		21
	West Virginia		X		22