



original Third Reich Deutsche Jägerschaft literature and memorabilia

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The **Deutsche Jägerschaft** was the Third Reich organization for the German hunt, led by Reichsjägermeister (Reich Master of the German Hunt) Hermann Göring, a passionate hunter himself. The Nazi hunting association was pretty much like a country club membership today and being a member surely helped in advancing the career in business or within the NSDAP. In order to become a hunter in Nazi Germany one first had to get a hunting license, a procedure which required a lot of effort, almost as complex as applying for a drivers license! The applicant had to spend about one hundred hours of study in the classroom, was then asked to pass a three-hour written examination consisting of 150 in-depth questions, followed by several hours of oral examination. Then a rifle and a shotgun had to be fired in front of a board of judges. About 50% of the candidates failed, the ones who passed the exam received a license which then was good for life unless revoked for due cause. Once the hunter was granted the license he became a member of the Deutsche Jägerschaft. He then would also receive official periodicals such as "Deutsche Jagd" or "Der Deutsche Jäger", sought after publications among collectors today. The Deutsche Jägerschaft was so well organized that little has changed since 1936 and many of the laws and regulations are still in effect today.