

# 2022 MENTORED HUNTING

## APPLICATION DEADLINE

Mentored Spring Turkey .....	No deadline
Mentored Deer .....	No deadline
Mentored Antelope.....	No deadline
Mentored Fall Turkey .....	No deadline

## LANDOWNER PERMISSION REQUIRED

Permission is required to hunt private land in South Dakota. Every year Game, Fish, and Parks receives complaints from hunters who drew a license and couldn't get permission to hunt private land once the season opened. Do not apply just because licenses are available. Have permission to hunt before you apply. If you don't get permission before you apply, you may not be able obtain permission during the season.

## APPLY ONLINE: [gfp.sd.gov](http://gfp.sd.gov)

Applying online is easy. Visit [gfp.sd.gov](http://gfp.sd.gov), click on "Licenses," and then "Purchase License" to purchase/apply for a Hunting/Fishing License. From there, the system walks you through step by step. If you do not already have an account, you will be required to create one. You will begin by selecting a season to apply for and your first-choice hunting unit. Please note that you are required to provide a credit or debit card number to finish the transaction. Upon completion and submission of your application, you are then placed directly into the drawing for the unit you selected.

**NOTE: In 2023, all applications must be submitted online.**

# APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

## REMINDER FOR 2022

- Mentored licenses are available to both resident and nonresident mentees 15 years of age or younger.
- A nonresident application must include the name, address, and phone number of a resident sponsoring the application. A resident sponsor must be a resident of South Dakota 18 years of age or older.

## Definitions

Mentee: The youth 15 years of age or younger that will be hunting.

Mentor: The mentee's parent, guardian, or other adult 18 years of age or older.

## Eligibility

- Resident and nonresident mentee must be 15 years of age or younger. Licenses are only valid for the mentee that is named on the application and license.
- The parent or guardian of the mentee must complete the application for the child. It does not impact their own license eligibility.
- The adult mentor can be a resident or nonresident and must be 18 years of age or older and must have successfully completed a hunter safety or hunter education course. Mentors may be the mentee's parent or legal guardian or any other competent adult who has the written consent of the child's parent or guardian.
- Nonresident mentees must have a resident sponsor listed in their application.

## Social Security Number

The Social Security Number information is required from all U.S. residents before this application will be processed [SDCL 25-7A-56.2]. This information will be kept confidential. The information is required to be in compliance with state law on collection of delinquent child support payments.

*South Dakota law prohibits the issuance or renewal of any hunting or fishing license if an individual owes \$1,000 or more in past due child support unless the individual enters into a repayment agreement with the Department of Social Services for payment of the delinquent child support [SDCL 25-7A-56; 25-7A-1(28)]. There is a requirement to enter into a repayment agreement with the Dept. of Social Services even if the individual is presently making child support payments, or if child support is being withheld from wages or income. To enter into the required repayment agreement, individuals must contact the Dept. of Social Services, Division of Child Support, 700 Governor's Drive-Kneip Building, Pierre SD 57501, or call 605-773-6456.*



## Submitting Fees

You must submit the appropriate license fee to cover the cost of each season applied for on this multiple application form. One check may be written to cover the cost of all seasons you apply for on this form. We recommend the fee be sent in the form of a personal check, but a cashier's check, money order or cash will be accepted. Cash is not recommended. Make checks payable to "South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks." Payment for applications submitted online must be made with a valid credit card (Visa, MasterCard, Discover, or American Express). Your credit card will be charged at the time of application. Non-payment in the form of a cancelled credit card will result in your license application not being processed. A bad check will void the application and applicants will be subject to any back check fees and penalties.

## Application Rules

- Applications must be submitted by a parent or guardian.
- Licenses are only valid for the mentee named on the application/license.
- Applications not properly filled out will be returned.

## Submitting Applications

Applications may be submitted online, on the printed forms and mailed, or at the GFP Licensing Office in Fort Pierre. Proper postage must be affixed to ensure delivery. Mail to:

Game, Fish and Parks License Office  
20641 SD Hwy 1806  
Fort Pierre, SD 57532

# SEASON APPLICATION INFORMATION

Use the entire 8-digit number in the first column when filling out “Unit-Type” on the application.

**TRIBAL TRUST LANDS.** State licenses are valid on private, deeded lands within the exterior boundaries of an Indian reservation. Persons wishing to hunt on tribal lands should contact the appropriate tribal office concerning tribal licenses.

**NOTE: The purchase of a mentored hunting license does not affect eligibility of the parent/guardian for other deer, antelope and turkey seasons.**

## MENTORED SPRING TURKEY

**Season Dates:** Mentored Spring Turkey licenses are valid during the established 2022 spring turkey season.

**License Eligibility:** A mentor may be the mentee’s parent or guardian or any other competent adult who has the written consent of the mentee’s parent or guardian. A nonresident application must include the name, address, and phone number of a resident sponsoring the application. Mentored Spring Turkey hunters are ineligible to purchase a regular Archery Spring Turkey or Prairie Spring Turkey license.

**Individual License Quota:** One mentored Spring Turkey license per mentee. Applicants may purchase a license throughout the season by applying online, via mail, or at the License Office in Fort Pierre. Please allow ample time (7-10 business days) for the license to be processed and mailed to you before you leave for your hunt.

**Processing Licenses:** Applications are being accepted for this season. Licenses will be processed beginning in late February.

**SEASON-UNIT-TYPE CHOICES:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MST-ST1-32** Specific season and unit information will be provided with the license. Mentored Spring Turkey licenses are valid statewide wherever a Spring Turkey unit is open. However, unit specific and season specific equipment restrictions apply as outlined in the Prairie Spring Turkey and Archery Spring Turkey season information. Valid for one male wild turkey.

Unlimited resident (\$5); Unlimited nonresident (\$10)  
License not valid in Custer State Park.

## MENTORED FALL TURKEY

**Season Dates:** Mentored Fall Turkey licenses are valid during the established 2022 Prairie Fall Turkey season.

**License Eligibility:** A mentor may be the mentee’s parent or guardian or any other competent adult who has the written consent of the mentee’s parent or guardian. A nonresident application must include the name, address, and phone number of a resident sponsoring the application. Mentored Fall Turkey hunters are ineligible to purchase a regular Prairie Fall Turkey license.

**Individual License Quota:** One mentored Fall Turkey license per mentee. Applicants may purchase a license throughout the season by applying online, via mail, or at the License Office in Fort Pierre. Please allow ample time (7-10 business days) for the license to be processed and mailed to you before you leave for your hunt.

**Processing Licenses:** Applications are being accepted for this season. Licenses will be processed beginning in late July.

**SEASON-UNIT-TYPE CHOICES:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MFT-ST1-31** Mentored Fall Turkey licenses are valid statewide wherever a Fall Turkey unit is open. Unit specific equipment restrictions apply as outlined in the Prairie Fall Turkey season. Valid for one any turkey.

Unlimited resident (\$5); Unlimited nonresident (\$10)  
License not valid in Custer State Park.

## MENTORED ANTELOPE

**Significant changes for 2022:** Mentored antelope licenses are valid in any open firearm hunting unit west of the Missouri River for private land only.

**Season Dates:** Mentored Antelope licenses are valid during the established 2022 Archery Antelope and the Firearm Antelope seasons. Firearms may not be used during the Archery Antelope season.

**License Eligibility:** A mentor may be the mentee’s parent or guardian or any other competent adult who has the written consent of the mentee’s parent or guardian. A nonresident application must include the name, address, and phone number of a resident sponsoring the application. Mentored antelope hunters are ineligible to purchase a regular Archery Antelope or Firearm Antelope license.

**Individual License Quota:** One mentored antelope license per mentee. Applicants may purchase a license throughout the season by applying online, via mail, or at the License Office in Fort Pierre. Please allow ample time (7-10 business days) for the license to be processed and mailed to you before you leave for your hunt.

**Processing Licenses:** Applications are being accepted for this season. Licenses will be processed beginning in late July.

**SEASON-UNIT-TYPE CHOICES:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MHA-ST1-43** Mentored antelope licenses are valid in any open firearm hunting unit west of the Missouri River for private land only. Firearms may not be used during the Archery Antelope season. All unit, date, and equipment restrictions apply as outlined in the archery and firearms seasons. Valid for one doe/fawn antelope.

Unlimited resident (\$5); Unlimited nonresident (\$10)

## MENTORED DEER

**Season Dates:** Mentored Deer licenses are valid during the 2022 Youth and Apprentice Deer season, September 10, 2022 to January 1, 2023.

**License Eligibility:** A mentor may be the mentee's parent or guardian or any other competent adult who has the written consent of the mentee's parent or guardian. Mentored deer hunters are ineligible to purchase a Youth Deer license or apply in any other firearm deer seasons.

**Processing Licenses:** Applications are being accepted for this season. Licenses will be processed beginning in late July.

**Individual License Quota:** One Mentored Deer license per mentee. Applicants may purchase a license throughout the season by applying online, via mail, or at the License Office in Fort Pierre. Please allow ample time (7-10 business days) for the license to be processed and mailed to you before you leave for your hunt.

### SEASON-UNIT-TYPE CHOICES:

**MHD-03-** License is valid in West River Deer hunting units: 02A, 15A, 15B, 31A, 35A, 35C, 35L, 49A, 49B, 53A, 53C, and 64A (see map for open area), all national parks and monuments, and Fort Meade Bureau of Land Management South Unit and the signed portion of the North Unit are closed to this season.

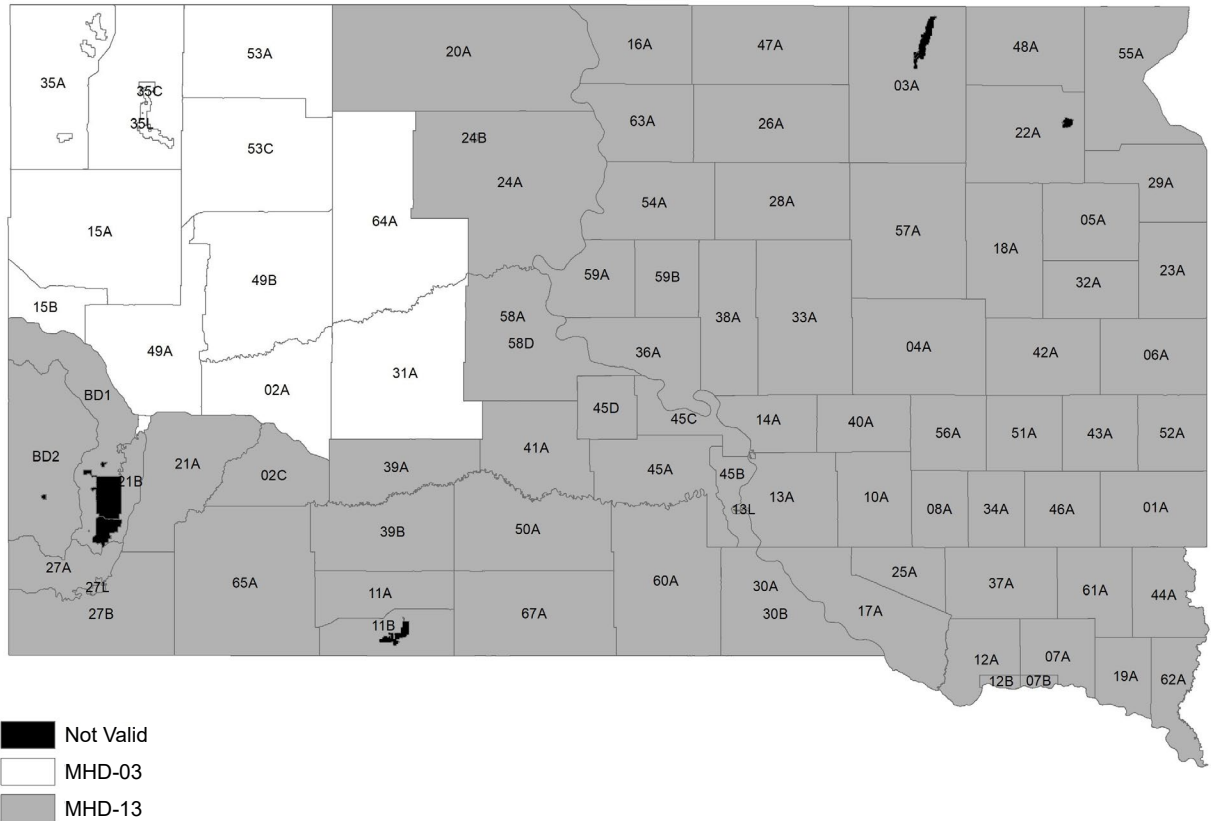
**03:** License valid for one Any Antlerless Deer.

Unlimited resident (\$5); Unlimited nonresident (\$10)

**MHD-13-** License is valid for that portion of the state not included in Unit MHD-03, excluding Farm Island State Recreation Area, LaFramboise Island State Nature Area, Custer State Park, and all national parks and monuments. Also, mentored deer hunting is not allowed on Sand Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Lacreek National Wildlife Refuge, Lake Andes National Wildlife Refuge, and Waubay National Wildlife Refuge unless otherwise allowed by the refuge.

**13:** License valid for one Antlerless Whitetail.

Unlimited resident (\$5); Unlimited nonresident (\$10)



## CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) is a fatal disease of the central nervous system found in both captive and free-ranging deer and elk. The South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) has been conducting surveillance for CWD since 1997 to determine disease presence and prevalence across the state. Chronic wasting disease has been confirmed in free-ranging deer or elk in Bennett, Buffalo, Butte, Corson, Custer, Fall River, Haakon, Harding, Jackson, Lawrence, Lyman, Meade, Mellette, Pennington, Perkins, Stanley, Sully, Tripp, and Ziebach counties, including Custer State Park and Wind Cave National Park.

Carcass transportation and disposal regulations apply for all harvested deer or elk that is transported from the county of harvest or from another state back into South Dakota. In summary, the regulations include the following:

- Hunters are recommended to leave as much of the unusable carcass as possible at the location of the harvest in a discrete location. Make arrangements with landowner on property where permission has been granted.
- Regulations do not prohibit a hunter from transporting a deer or elk carcass from the harvest location to anywhere in the state.
- If any portion of the carcass is transported from the county of harvest, the hunter is required to dispose of all carcass remains with a waste management provider, if an allowable trash item, or with a permitted landfill.
- If you are not moving a deer or elk carcass from the county of harvest, the regulations do not apply unless the carcass is delivered to a game processor or taxidermist. Returning carcass remains to public lands and using road ditches to dispose of carcass remains is illegal. Make sure permission is granted prior to disposing carcasses on private land.
- Deer or elk carcasses from another state brought back into South Dakota must be disposed of with a waste management provider or landfill that accepts carcass parts.
- Game processors and taxidermists, regardless of the location of harvest, are required to dispose of all carcass remains with a waste management provider, if an allowable trash item, or with a permitted landfill.

The goal of surveillance strategies in South Dakota is to determine the likely spread of CWD to new units where the disease has not been detected in wild, free-ranging deer and elk. Hunters who would like to get their deer tested for CWD can voluntarily submit a sample for testing. As a voluntary submission, hunters will be responsible for the cost of shipping and any professional sample collection costs unless the hunter delivers a sample to a GFP Office or sample collection area. GFP will pay for the testing cost of the sample at South Dakota State University Animal Disease and Research Diagnostics Lab (SDSU ADRDL). Results will be sent to both the hunter and GFP. These results will supplement GFP's surveillance effort across the state. The process for collecting samples from a harvested elk or deer (same process) and how to properly submit to SDSU ADRDL can be found at [gfp.sd.gov/cwd-testing](http://gfp.sd.gov/cwd-testing).

More detailed information on hunter submissions for CWD testing will become available prior to the start of the season. For more information CWD, visit [gfp.sd.gov/chronic-wasting-disease](http://gfp.sd.gov/chronic-wasting-disease).

# MENTORED HUNT REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS

- A mentor may be the mentee's parent or guardian or any other competent adult who has the written consent of the mentee's parent or guardian. A nonresident application must include the name, address, and phone number of a resident sponsoring the application. They may purchase one mentor deer, one mentor antelope, one mentor spring turkey and one mentor fall turkey license for each mentee.
- Each resident license costs \$5. Nonresident licenses are \$10 each.
- Mentee must be 15 year of age or younger.
- A mentee must be accompanied by an unarmed parent, guardian, or designated mentor and within the immediate physical control, direct supervision, and responsibility of the mentor.
- An adult mentor cannot accompany more than one mentee at any given time.
- A hunting party cannot exceed six people, including the mentee(s).
- An adult mentor must have successfully completed a hunter safety or hunter education course, carry their certification card and must be at least 18 years old.
- All unit, date, and equipment restrictions apply for each respective season.
- Mentees designated on a mentored license are ineligible to receive a regular license for that season (youth deer, archery and firearm antelope, any firearms deer season, fall turkey, or spring turkey).
- Nonresident mentees must provide resident sponsor information.

## CONTACT US:

**License Office**  
20641 SD Hwy 1806  
Fort Pierre, SD 57532

**Phone**  
605.223.7660  
TTY: 605.223.7684

**Office Hours**  
Monday - Friday  
8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Visit our website at:  
**[gfp.sd.gov](http://gfp.sd.gov)**

# APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Season/Unit/Type Choices:** Fill in your unit-type choice from the choices provided with each season. You may apply for multiple seasons with this form. For example, you may apply for mentored deer on season one, mentored antelope on season two, mentored fall turkey on season three and mentored spring turkey on season four. You would only need to fill out one form and provide one check to cover the cost of all applications.

## MENTEE INFORMATION:

2. **Print Name:** Print the mentee's complete name, with FIRST NAME first, followed by middle initial and last name. Leave a space between each.
3. **Date of Birth:** Enter the mentee's date of birth, month first, followed by day and year. For example, a birth date of March 8, 2007, would be entered 03-08-2007.
4. **Gender:** Check the appropriate box for the mentored hunter/child.

## MENTOR INFORMATION:

5. **Social Security Number:** Last four digits only. This information is required by state law and applications that do not include the SSN will be rejected. See information under "application requirements."
6. **Date of Birth:** Enter your date of birth, month first, followed by day and year. For example, a birth date of March 8, 1971, would be entered 03-08-1971.
7. **Driver License or Identification Card Number:** If you possess one, please enter your driver's license number, even if it duplicates your Social Security Number. Those without a driver's license must enter your state-issued and expiration-dated South Dakota ID card number. Include the two-letter abbreviation for the state or province your driver's license was issued from.
8. **Print Name:** Print your complete name, with FIRST NAME first, followed by middle initial and last name. Leave a space between each.
9. **Mailing Address:** Licenses will be mailed to the address provided on the application. Those returned as "undeliverable" will be held in the License Office until a correct address is provided.
10. **Phone Number:** Enter your daytime phone number. This information is kept confidential and is used only for contacting and/or surveying hunters.
11. **E-mail Address:** This information is optional, but is helpful if there is a need to contact or send updates on information. We request that you fill this out if you have a personal e-mail address.
12. **Gender:** Check the appropriate box.
13. **Mailing List Opt-Out:** Applications are considered "public record" and from time to time the Game, Fish and Parks Commission receives requests from groups and businesses for these names and addresses. If you wish to keep your name from appearing on these lists, you may check this box. You will still be included in official GFP mailings such as season surveys.
14. **Suspended Privileges:** Any person who has had hunting, fishing or trapping privileges revoked or suspended in any state or country may not purchase a license for or exercise that same privilege in South Dakota during the period of the revocation or suspension.
15. **Residency:** Check the appropriate box to indicate that you qualify and are applying as a resident, or applying as a nonresident. If you are a nonresident, you must complete the "Resident Sponsor" section.
16. **Resident Sponsor:** If you are a nonresident, you must include the name (first and last name), address, and phone number of a sponsor who is a resident of South Dakota. This information must be provided on the application form or the application will be rejected.
17. **Donate To Second Century Habitat Fund, TIPs, or SAH:** You may make a donation to the Second Century Habitat Fund, Turn In Poachers (TIPs), or Sportsmen Against Hunger (SAH) programs by checking one of the blanks at the bottom of the application and including an amount greater than the license fee in your payment. Any amount over the license fee will be donated to the selected program when one of the boxes is checked. If neither of the boxes is checked, the overpayment will be refunded. Your contributions are tax deductible.
18. **Sign Application:** This application must be signed by the parent or guardian to be valid. Applications that are not signed will not be processed for a license.

*Review your application form to make certain all required information is completed and accurate.*

*Carefully tear or cut the one page form from this pamphlet, and mail the application to:*

**Game, Fish and Parks License Office**

**20641 SD Hwy 1806**

**Fort Pierre, SD 57532**



# BIG GAME APPLICATION FORM



Please follow instructions on the opposite side of this page. Detach and mail this completed page with the appropriate fee.

DO NOT MARK IN THIS BOX For office use only

You may apply for multiple seasons with this form. You must first read the attached information and follow application instructions. Applications with errors will be rejected.

You may find the most convenient method is to apply using the online system offered by GFP at its website: [gfp.sd.gov](http://gfp.sd.gov). Click on the link that invites you to apply for limited license seasons and follow the instructions. Your application will be submitted directly into the license lottery system without mail time or further handling. If errors occur, you will be prompted to correct them before proceeding.

Print all information one letter or number per box. Do not tape, staple or paper clip forms and fees.

## 1 Season/Unit/Type choices (May apply for multiple seasons on this form and make one payment)

Season One:

Season Three:

Season Two:

Season Four:

## MENTEE INFORMATION

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Name (First, Middle Initial, Last)

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Date of Birth (Month, Day, Year)

4 Gender: Male ☐ Female ☐

## MENTOR INFORMATION

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Last four digits of Social Security Number

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Date of Birth (Month, Day, Year)

7

Driver License or Identification Card Number

State/Province

8

Name (First, Middle Initial, Last)

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Mailing Address (Street, Box Number)

City

State

Zip Code

Country if not USA

10

Phone Number

11

E-mail Address

12 Gender: Male ☐ Female ☐

13 Check the box to remove your name from non-GFP mailing lists ☐

## 14 Indicate below if any of your hunting, fishing or trapping privileges are under revocation or suspension in any state or country:

Which privileges are under suspension or revocation: Hunting ☐ Fishing ☐ Trapping ☐

Which state or country has imposed the revocation or suspension \_\_\_\_\_

What is the time period of the revocation or suspension \_\_\_\_\_

15 Check One: I qualify as a South Dakota resident ☐ I am applying as a nonresident\* ☐

\*If a nonresident, please fill out Resident Sponsor Information

## RESIDENT SPONSOR INFORMATION

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Name (First, Last)

Mailing Address (Street, Box Number)

City

State

Zip Code

Phone Number

I declare these statements to be true and correct and that I meet the qualifications for the license for which I am applying. I declare that for the license privileges I am applying for I am not presently under revocation or suspension in any state or country and understand any false statement or misrepresentation in this application subjects me to criminal prosecution.

17 Donate my overpayment to Second Century Habitat Fund ☐  
Donate my overpayment to Sportsmen Against Hunger ☐  
Donate my overpayment to Turn In Poachers ☐

18 X  
PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE