To apply for a resident license, a person must:
- Have a domicile within South Dakota for at least 90 consecutive days immediately preceding the date of application for, purchasing, or attempting to purchase any hunting, fishing, or trapping license/permit. A domicile is a person’s established, fixed, and permanent home to which the person, whenever absent, has the present intention of returning, and
- Make no claim of residency in any other state or foreign country for any purpose, and
- Not claim resident hunting, fishing, or trapping privileges in any other state or foreign country, and
- Prior to any application for any license, transfer to SD the person’s driver’s license and motor vehicle registrations.

EXCEPTIONS: The following persons are eligible for resident licenses:
- Any person who previously had a domicile in SD who is absent due to business of the United States or SD, or is serving in the armed forces of the US, or the spouse of an active duty military person;
- Any person who previously had a domicile in SD who is absent due to the person’s regular attendance at a post-high school institution as a full-time student or in a medical or dental residency program;
- Any person in the active military of the US or that person’s spouse who is continuously stationed in SD;
- Any person who is a minor dependent of a resident of SD who has completed the GFP course of instruction in the safe handling of firearms and has been issued a certificate of competency upon completion of instruction and who has resided in SD for 30 days or more immediately preceding the application;
- Any person who is continuously stationed in SD;
- Any person attending regularly a post-high school institution as a full-time student for 30 days or more immediately preceding the application;
- Any foreign exchange student over 16 years of age attending a public or private high school who has resided in the state for 30 days or more preceding the application;
- Any foreign exchange student who is between the ages of 12 and 16 who has completed the GFP course of instruction in the safe handling of firearms and has been issued a certificate of competency upon completion of instruction and who has resided in SD for 30 days or more preceding application for a license;
- Any person who is a resident of SD who has previously had a domicile in SD who is absent due to

Termination of Residency
A person (other than a person who fits into one of the previous EXCEPTIONS) is deemed to have terminated their South Dakota resident hunting, fishing, and trapping status if the person does any of the following:
- Applies for, purchases, or accepts a resident hunting, fishing, or trapping license issued by another state or foreign country;
- Registers to vote in another state or foreign country;
- Accepts a driver’s license issued by another state or foreign country; or
- Moves to any other state or foreign country and makes the person’s domicile or makes any claim of residency for any purpose in the other state or foreign country.

However, a person who has lawfully acquired a resident hunting, fishing, or trapping license and who leaves the state after acquiring the license to take up residency elsewhere may continue to exercise all the privileges granted by the license until the license expires if the person’s respective privileges are not revoked or suspended.

Social Security Number
The last four digits of your Social Security Number are required. 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 Dept. of Social Services for payment of the delinquent child support [SDCL 25-7-A-56; 25-7-A-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 - Office of Child Support Enforcement, 700 Governor’s Drive - Kneip Building, Pierre SD 57501, or call (605) 773-6456.

Submitting Applications
Applications may be submitted online or on the forms provided in this pamphlet (the forms may be photocopied), and may be mailed in the self-addressed envelopes provided or in the applicant’s envelope. Proper postage must be affixed to the envelope to ensure delivery.

NOTE: In 2023, all applications must be submitted online.
APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS (CONTINUED)

Mail to: GFP License Office, 20641 SD Hwy 1806, Fort Pierre, SD 57532

Successful Applicants
Successful applicants for limited licenses are selected at random by computer lottery.

Preference Points
Seasons with a limited number of licenses have a preference point system for applicants who are unsuccessful on their first choice in the first drawing. One point may be earned each year the applicant is unsuccessful. Preference points are valid on first choices in the first drawing only. Preference points are automatically credited to an application and even if you do not apply the following year. Preference points cannot be transferred to another person and is only valid for the first drawing in the applicant's first unit-type choice. If you have any questions about your preference points, please contact our information office.

Age Eligibility
- Nonresidents must be 12 years old by Dec. 31, 2022 to hunt.
- Nonresidents under age 16 must include the certificate number from their hunter safety card, or a current or previous hunting license issued to them from any state.
- Nonresidents who have not completed the HuntSAFE course at the time of application must use a paper application and leave that information blank on the application form. If drawn, their license will be held until the GFP License Office is notified of the HuntSAFE card number once the course has been successfully completed.
- Information on the “Mentored Hunt” program is found in a separate application form.

Submitting Fees
You must submit the appropriate license fee to cover the cost of each season applied for on this multiple application form as well as any preference point fees. 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 not be charged until you are either, 1) successful in the drawing, or 2) unsuccessful in the drawing but elected to receive a preference point. Nonpayment in the form of a cancelled credit card will result in your license being withheld and the blocking of any future license purchases until the unpaid fee, along with any penalties, is paid in full. A bad check will either void the license if the draw has not yet occurred; or if the drawing has been completed, it will result in the blocking of any future license purchases until the unpaid fee, along with any bad check fees and penalties are paid in full.

Application Rules
- Applications not properly filled out will be returned.
- You may submit only one application per season for the first drawing and receive no more than one license. See “Application Deadlines” for rules allowing additional licenses.
- Applicants applying for differently priced licenses as first and second choice must include the higher fee. You will receive a partial refund if you draw the lower-priced license.
- Applicants wishing to receive a preference point for seasons in which they are unsuccessful in their first choice, must include appropriate preference point fee.
- Licenses may not be transferred to another person.

Group Applications
- Applications with matching first and second choices, submitted in the same group, will be treated as a group application. All applicants will either be successful or unsuccessful in the drawings.
- Applications submitted in the same group with first or second choices that do not match will be treated as individual applications in the drawings, not as a group application.
- No more than six applications may be submitted in the same group.
- An incomplete application voids all other applications in the group.
- Applicants with preference points should be aware when applying with applicants with fewer preference points: Doing so gives all applicants the lowest point represented in the group.
- Nonresidents may apply together in the same group. Either all in the group will be drawn together or all will be rejected.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

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

The license fee includes a $6 surcharge established by the South Dakota Legislature. Surcharge monies are divided between programs for wildlife damage management and public hunting land access, programs that benefit both landowners and hunters.

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

NATIONAL FOREST ROAD TRAVEL. National Forests and Grasslands in South Dakota have Travel Management Plans in effect. If you are planning a trip for hunting or recreation, please contact the local U.S. Forest Service office to find out which roads, trails, and areas are open for highway and off-road motorized travel, and if seasonal restrictions apply. New roads, trails, and areas have been developed and some roads, trails, and areas you may have used in the past may be closed to public use. Recreation fees may apply. Contact the U.S. Forest Service for more information.
**NONRESIDENT ARCHERY DEER**

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

  Example: [ADN-ER1-01]

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**Season Dates:** Sept. 1 - Jan. 1, except:
- Nonresidents must purchase their archery deer license prior to April 1 to hunt public lands. Nonresidents may only hunt public lands Oct. 1, 2022 - Jan. 1, 2023.
- The Waubay Lake Game Bird Refuge and Waubay National Wildlife Refuge in Day Co. are open Oct. 1, 2022 - Jan. 1, 2023, except during the refuge firearms deer seasons.
- Most state parks, recreation areas, nature areas and lakeside use areas are open Oct. 1, 2022 - Jan. 1, 2023; archery licenses are valid in Farm Island Recreation Area and LaFramboise Island Nature Area in Hughes County from Oct. 1, 2022 - Jan. 1, 2023.
- Custer State Park is closed to archery deer hunting.

**License Eligibility:** Nonresidents may apply.

**Individual License Quota:** Hunters may possess no more than three archery deer licenses with the following restrictions;
- No more than one statewide “any deer” license (ST1-01). If you have this statewide “any deer” license, you are NOT eligible for both the ER1-01 and WR1-01 license
- No more than one East River “any deer” license (ER1-01) and/ or one West River “any deer” license (WR1-01)
- No more than one Antlerless LM1 license (LM1-13)

**APPLICATION DEADLINE**
Applicants may purchase a license throughout the season by applying online or through the mail, or at the License Office in Fort Pierre. Please allow ample time for the license to be processed and mailed to you before you leave for your hunt (usually 7-10 business days).

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**SEASON/UNIT/TYPE CHOICES**

**NONRESIDENT LICENSES**

**ADN-ST1- STATEWIDE.**
- **01:** Valid for one Any Deer on both public and private land if purchased prior to April 1. Valid only on private land (excluding Walk-In Areas, CREP, and CHAP lands) if purchased on April 1 or after; maximum of ONE license of this unit/type per individual; Unlimited nonresident ($286)

**ADN-ER1- All Counties East of the Missouri River.**
- **01:** Valid for one Any Deer on both public and private land if purchased prior to April 1. Valid only on private land (excluding Walk-In Areas, CREP, and CHAP lands) if purchased on April 1 or after; Unlimited nonresident ($286)

**ADN-WR1- All Counties West of the Missouri River.**
- **01:** Valid for one Any Deer on both public and private land if purchased prior to April 1. Valid only on private land (excluding Walk-In Areas, CREP, and CHAP lands) if purchased on April 1 or after; Unlimited nonresident ($286)

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**ACCESS PERMITS**
In addition to a regular license, a FREE limited Access Permit is required to hunt certain areas during this season.

**Limited Issue Access Permits:** All of Custer National Forest, except for the West Short Pines and the South Dakota portion of the Long Pines found within Harding County (35L)
- 125 nonresident “any deer” access permits
  - Nonresidents can only be awarded these permits if they obtain their archery license prior to April 1.
  - The deadline to apply is July 1. For more information, visit: [gfp.sd.gov/pages/access-permit](http://gfp.sd.gov/pages/access-permit)
  - To obtain these permits, you must first purchase the license type that is valid for these areas. After you have received your license, you may apply for the Access Permits only through the GFP website.
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. CWD has been confirmed in Bennett, Buffalo, Corson, Custer, Fall River, Haakon, Harding, Jackson, Lawrence, Lyman, Meade, Mellette, Pennington, Perkins, Stanley, Sully, Tripp, and Ziebach counties in central and western South Dakota.

Carcass transportation and disposal regulations apply for any harvested deer or elk that will be transported from the county of harvest or from another state back into South Dakota and 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, regulations require the hunter 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 if disposing 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.

• Hunters transporting a deer or elk carcass from South Dakota across and into another state should contact other state wildlife agencies for applicable regulations.

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.
### APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Season/Unit Type Choices:** Fill in your unit-type choice from the choices provided with each season. Additional choices, for those seasons that allow additional choices, are optional. You may apply for multiple seasons with this form. **Habitat Stamp:** Habitat stamp is required anyone 18 or older applying for or purchasing a hunting or fishing license. If you have not already purchased a habitat stamp, please include the $25/nonresident fee in addition to your application fee. Applicants who have not purchased a habitat stamp and do not include the fee for the habitat stamp will have their application returned.

2. **Residency:** Check the appropriate box to indicate that you qualify and are applying as a nonresident.

3. **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.”

4. **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.

5. **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. Applicants over age 16 without a driver’s license must enter your state-issued and expiration-dated ID card number. Include the two-letter abbreviation for the state or province your driver’s license was issued from. Youth without a driver’s license or ID card number, see instruction No. 7.

6. **Print Name:** Print your complete name, with FIRST NAME first, followed by middle initial and last name. Leave a space between each.

7. **HuntSAFE Card Number:** Nonresident youth are required to use their hunter safety card number or the number of a current or previous hunting license issued to them from any state. If the hunter safety course has not been taken at the time of application, but will be completed before the hunt, leave this blank. If drawn, the license will be held until the License Office is notified of the HuntSAFE card number after the course has been successfully completed.

8. **Mailing Address:** Licenses and refunds 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.

9. **Phone Number:** Enter your daytime phone number. This information is kept confidential and is used only for contacting and/or surveying hunters.

10. **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.

11. **Gender:** Check the appropriate box.

12. **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.

13. **Suspended Privileges:** Any person who has had hunting, fishing or trapping privileges revoked or suspended in any state or country may not purchase a preference point or license for or exercises that same privilege in South Dakota during the period of the revocation or suspension.

14. **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.

15. **Sign Application:** This application must be signed to be valid. A parent or guardian must sign the application for youth under age 16. Applications that are not signed will not be processed for a license.

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**SECOND CENTURY HABITAT FUND**

The Second Century Habitat Fund is a nonprofit organization that serves as a resource to landowners and conservation organizations to improve habitat through a working lands program that puts more perennial grass on the landscape which will contribute greatly to duck and pheasant nest success and provide other wildlife benefits. The Fund recognizes the importance of conserving the land, enhancing wildlife populations, and getting the next generation involved in outdoor recreation, while increasing support for habitat.

To learn more about the Second Century Habitat Fund or to make a donation visit [gfp.sd.gov/donate-to-habitat](http://gfp.sd.gov/donate-to-habitat).

**SPORTSMEN AGAINST HUNGER**

GFP is cooperating with Sportsmen Against Hunger (SAH) to assist by paying fees for commercial processing of antlerless deer that are donated to the SAH program for needy families. Some things to remember include:

- Processing certificates will be available at participating processors for hunters to use in paying for most or all of the processing costs of donated antlerless deer.
- Processing certificates cannot be used for buck deer, antelope or any other big game but the game can still be donated at the hunter’s processing expense.
- A list of participating processors will be available from the SAH website at [feedtheneedsd.com](http://feedtheneedsd.com) or by calling 800.456.2758.

You can support this program by making financial contributions when you submit your license application.

**TURN IN POACHERS - (TIPS)**

South Dakota’s Turn In Poachers (TIPS) is a private, non-profit organization run by Wildlife Protection Incorporated. The program is funded through donations from the big game license application check-off, private individual/group donations and through court ordered restitution. Rewards are paid in cash once an arrest is made and informants can protect their identity and remain anonymous.

Informants are eligible for rewards of up to $300 for big game cases and up to $100 for fish and small game cases. Higher rewards may be paid in extreme cases.

Since the Program began, there have been over 11,000 investigations initiated that have resulted in approximately 4,200 arrests. Poachers have paid over $783,000 in criminal fines and an additional $597,000 in liquidated civil damages have been assessed to these violators as well. TIPS has paid out more than $169,000 in cash rewards to individuals that have supplied information that has been critical in achieving these results.

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**CONTACT US:**

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**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

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

2. **SEASON TWO**
   - First Choice:

3. **SEASON THREE**
   - First Choice:

**Habitat Stamp**
A habitat stamp is required for anyone 18 years of age or older who purchases or applies for a hunting, fishing or furbearer license. The habitat stamp must be purchased before obtaining or applying for a license or at the time of a license sale or application. If you have not already purchased a habitat stamp, please include the $25/nonresident fee in addition to your application fee. Applicants who have not purchased a habitat stamp and who do not include the fee for the habitat stamp will have their application returned.

NOTE: Your check total should include the largest price of licenses applied for above, and the price of a preference point as described in the preference point option above.

2. **Check One:** I qualify as a South Dakota resident [ ] I am applying as a nonresident [ ]

3. **Last four digits of Social Security Number**
4. **Date of Birth (Month, Day, Year)**
5. **Driver License or Identification Card Number**
6. **State/Province**

7. **Name (First, Middle Initial, Last)**

8. **Hunt Safe No. (under age 16)**

9. **Mailing Address (Street, Box Number, Rural Route)**
   - 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:

I affirm that I am eligible for the license in which I am applying. If this is a hunting license, I affirm that my hunting privileges are not in any way currently revoked or suspended in any state or country. If this is a fishing license, I affirm that my fishing privileges are not in any way currently revoked or suspended in any state or country. I understand that if my hunting, or fishing privileges are revoked or suspended in any state or country I am not eligible for that privilege in this state, and I understand that any misrepresentations of fact or identity may result in criminal prosecution and loss of privileges.

15. **APPLICANT SIGNATURE** (parent or guardian if applicant under 16) [ ]

16. **DATE** [ ]

   - Donate my overpayment to Second Century Habitat Fund [ ]
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