APPLICATION DEADLINE

Lake Francis Case Paddlefish ......................... Feb. 10
Gavins Point Dam Paddlefish Archery .......... April 11
Gavins Point Dam Paddlefish Snagging .......... May 16

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

APPLY ONLINE: gfp.sd.gov
Applying online is as easy as it has ever been for any type of big game hunting license in South Dakota. Simply visit gfp.sd.gov to apply online. Click the “Licenses” link, then “Purchase 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. Preference points are automatically included if you opted to purchase one or if you had any from previous years. To learn more about applying online, a tutorial video is available and will walk you through the process step by step.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Residency
To apply for a resident license, a person must:
• Have a domicile (person’s established, fixed, and permanent home to which the person, whenever absent, has the present intention of returning) 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; and
• Make no claim of residency in any other state or foreign country for any purpose; and
• Claim no 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.

EXCEPTION: 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 is in medical or dental school residency;
• 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 patient in any war veterans’ hospital within SD;
• Any person who is an employee of the veterans’ administration or any veterans’ hospital in SD;
• Any person residing on restricted military reservations in SD;
• Any person attending regularly a post-high school institution in SD 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 person who is a minor dependent of a resident of SD.

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;
• Moves to any other state or foreign country and makes it 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, Division of Child Support, 700 Governors Drive - Kneip Building, Pierre SD 57501, or call 605-773-6456.

Age Eligibility
There is no age restriction on applicants for this paddlefish season, and no hunter safety requirement.
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 not be charged until, and only if you are successful in the drawing. Non-payment 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 back 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.
• 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.

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.

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

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

Unsuccessful Applicants
Unsuccessful applicants will receive a refund check from the State of South Dakota if they applied through the mail by paper application. Each member of a group who applied together will receive a separate refund. Members of a group who sent one check will be responsible for reimbursement among themselves. Those who applied online using a credit card will be charged only if they are successful in the drawing. Those unsuccessful will not be charged.

Preference Points
A fee ($5 resident, $10 nonresident) is required for all preference points. Purchasing a preference point is optional. Unsuccessful first choice applicants will not receive a preference point unless the appropriate fee is submitted with the application.

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 purchased each year the applicant is unsuccessful. Preference points are valid on first choices in the first drawing only. Purchased preference points are automatically credited to an application 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, please contact our Information Office.
### SEASON APPLICATION INFORMATION

The season/unit/type choice designations apply to both resident and nonresident licenses. Use the entire 8-digit number when filling out “season/unit/type” on the application. The first three digits describe the SEASON you are applying for, the second three digits describe the geographic area and in some cases split season dates, and the last two digits describe the animal for which the license is valid.

Please verify the unit information you record on this application correctly represents the season, area and species you are applying for. For more information on Paddlefish seasons, visit online at gfp.sd.gov/paddlefish

| Lake Francis Case Paddlefish Snagging and Archery Open Area |

#### Season Dates:
May 1-31

#### Methods:
Snagging or Archery

#### License Eligibility:
South Dakota Residents Only

#### Individual License Quota:
Anglers may possess two paddlefish licenses and tags for this season, but the second may not be obtained until the second drawing.

#### License Fee:
$25

#### Applications Per Envelope:
Six Maximum

#### License Requirement:
Successful resident applicants age 18 and over must have a valid 2022 South Dakota fishing license to participate in this season. Those under age 18 who are successful in drawing a paddlefish license do not need a general fishing license.

### APPLICATION DEADLINE:
Paper applications must be postmarked no later than Thursday, Feb. 10 or apply online by 8 a.m. Central Time on Monday, Feb. 14. Applicants may submit one application. Results available online by Feb. 16.

### SEASON/UNIT/TYPETYPE CHOICES:

**SFC-RG1-75:** Fishing Area: Lake Francis Case and White River east of the Highway 47 bridge. Exception: No paddlefish snagging or archery from the face of Big Bend Dam to the chain link fence approximately 350 yards from the face of the dam.

350 Resident licenses ($25)
### GAVINS POINT DAM - ARCHERY

**Season Dates:** June 1-June 30.

**License Eligibility:** Residents and nonresidents can apply.

**Individual License Quota:** Anglers may possess two Gavins Point Dam archery paddlefish licenses and tags, but the second may only be obtained if there are licenses available after the first drawing.

**License Fee:** $25

**Applications Per Envelope:** Six maximum.

**License Requirement:** Successful resident applicants age 18 and over, and successful nonresident applicants age 18 and over, must have a valid 2022 South Dakota fishing license to participate in this season. However, Nebraska residents who have a valid Nebraska fishing license or who are legally exempt from a fishing license do not need to purchase a nonresident SD fishing license. Fishing licenses can be obtained from GFP’s online licensing system or license agents. Applicants do not need to complete the hunter or bowhunter certification to apply for this season.

Boats launched from any Nebraska boat ramp, including the North Tailrace ramp below Gavins Dam, need to have a Nebraska Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) stamp affixed to the starboard (right) rearward side of the boat. Boats launched from South Dakota boat ramps do not need the AIS stamp to access SD/NE border waters. For more information visit: [outdoornebraska.gov/aisstamp](http://outdoornebraska.gov/aisstamp)

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:**

Paper applications must be postmarked no later than Monday, April 11, or apply online by 8 a.m. CDT on Wednesday, April 13. Applicants may submit one application. Results available online by Tuesday, April 19.

**SEASON-UNIT-TYPE CHOICES:**

#### APF-RG2
- **Fishing Area:** The Missouri River from Gavins Point Dam downstream to the mouth of the Big Sioux River and on the Big Sioux River from the I-29 bridge to the confluence of the Big Sioux and Missouri Rivers. Additional area may be closed to boating by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers based on operation of the spillway.
- **NOTE:** Nonresidents wishing to archery fish paddlefish in the Missouri River within the area from the Gavins Point Dam to 0.6 miles downstream must have a nonresident paddlefish license/tag issued by the state of Nebraska. South Dakota nonresident tags are only valid for the Missouri River downstream from the point 1/2 mile below Gavins Point Dam to the mouth of the Big Sioux River (mile marker 734) and on the Big Sioux River from the I-29 bridge to the confluence of the Big Sioux and Missouri Rivers.

75: 255 Resident licenses ($25); 20 Nonresident licenses ($25)

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### GAVINS POINT DAM - SNAGGING

**Season Dates:** Oct. 1-31.

**License Eligibility:** Residents and nonresidents can apply.

**Individual License Quota:** Anglers may possess two Gavins Point Dam paddlefish snagging licenses and tags, but the second may not be obtained until the second drawing.

**License Fee:** $25

**Applications Per Envelope:** Six maximum.

**License Requirement:** Successful resident applicants age 18 and over, and successful nonresident applicants age 18 and over, must have a valid 2022 South Dakota fishing license to participate in this season. However, Nebraska residents who have a valid Nebraska fishing license or who are legally exempt from a fishing license do not need to purchase a nonresident SD fishing license. Fishing licenses can be obtained from South Dakota license agents or online.

Boats launched from any Nebraska boat ramp, including the North Tailrace ramp below Gavins Dam, need to have a Nebraska Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) stamp affixed to the starboard (right) rearward side of the boat. Boats launched from South Dakota boat ramps do not need the AIS stamp to access SD/NE border waters. For more information visit: [outdoornebraska.gov/aisstamp](http://outdoornebraska.gov/aisstamp)

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:**

Paper applications must be postmarked no later than Monday, May 16, or apply online by 8 a.m. CDT on Thursday, May 19. Applicants may submit one application. Results available online by Tuesday, May 24.

**SEASON-UNIT-TYPE CHOICES:**

#### SPF-RG3
- **Fishing Area:** The Missouri River from the Gavins Point Dam downstream to the mouth of the Big Sioux River and on the Big Sioux River from the I-29 bridge to the confluence of the Big Sioux and Missouri Rivers. Additional area may be closed to boating by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers based on operation of the spillway.
- **NOTE:** Nonresidents wishing to snag paddlefish in the Missouri River within the area from the Gavins Point Dam to 0.6 miles downstream must have a nonresident paddlefish license/tag issued by the state of Nebraska. South Dakota nonresident tags are only valid for the Missouri River downstream from the point approximately 1/2 mile below Gavins Point Dam to the mouth of the Big Sioux River (mile marker 734) and on the Big Sioux River from the I-29 bridge to the confluence of the Big Sioux and Missouri Rivers.

75: 1,550 Resident licenses ($25); 50 Nonresident licenses ($25)
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. Select a preference point option for each season. Preference points are only available for your first choice of each season. If you select “yes” make sure to include the appropriate fee. You would only need to fill out one form and provide one check to cover the cost of all applications plus any preference point fees. If you select “no”, or do not include the correct preference point fee, you will not receive a preference point if you are unsuccessful in your first choice for each season. Please remember, if you are applying together in the same envelope with other individuals, all unit choices must be identical or the application will be rejected.

   **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 $10/resident or $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 resident, or 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. Residents over age 16 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. Youth without a driver’s license or ID card number may leave this area blank.

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

7. **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.

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

9. **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.

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

11. **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.

12. **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 exercise that same privilege in South Dakota during the period of the revocation or suspension.

13. **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.

14. **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.

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.

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: [ ]
   - Second Choice: [ ]

2. **SEASON TWO**
   - First Choice: [ ]
   - Second Choice: [ ]

3. **SEASON THREE**
   - First Choice: [ ]
   - Second Choice: [ ]

Preference Point Option: Yes, I wish to purchase a preference point if I am unsuccessful with this first choice. This fee ($5 residents, $10 nonresidents) is included in my check in addition to the fees for licenses applied for in this section.

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.

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. This includes both residents and nonresidents. 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 $10/resident or $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.

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

Last four digits of Social Security Number: [ ] Date of Birth (Month, Day, Year): [ ] Driver License or Identification Card Number: [ ] State/Province: [ ]

Name (First, Middle Initial, Last): [ ]

Mailing Address (Street, Box Number, Rural Route): [ ] City: [ ] State: [ ] Zip Code: [ ] Country if not USA: [ ]

Phone Number: [ ] E-mail Address: [ ]

Gender: Male [ ] Female [ ]

Check the box to remove your name from non-GFP mailing lists [ ]

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 [ ]

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 fishing license, I affirm that my fishing privileges are not in any way currently revoked or suspended in any state or country. If this is a hunting or trapping license, I affirm that my hunting or trapping 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.

Donate my overpayment to Second Century Habitat Fund [ ]

Donate my overpayment to Sportsmen Against Hunger [ ]

Donate my overpayment to Turn In Poachers [ ]

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

DATE: [ ]