



# 2014 Canadian Resident White-tailed Deer Draw

The Ministry of Environment is pleased to offer the 2014 Canadian Resident White-tailed Deer Draw Supplement. This supplement provides information to Canadian resident hunters interested in applying for the white-tailed deer draw. Included is information on seasons, zones and quotas for this fall's seasons. It is produced as an online document only, in both a downloadable and printable format.

**This year's draw will open on Thursday, May 1, 2014 and the application period will close on Saturday, May 31, 2014 at 5 pm Saskatchewan time.**

The Canadian Resident White-tailed Deer Draw continues to be a quota-based draw with two priority pools. The "Family First" pool will give priority to hunters who have a family member who is a Saskatchewan resident; the second pool will contain all other eligible applicants. In order to qualify for the 'Family First' pool, applicants must have an immediate family member who is a Saskatchewan resident.

Applicants will be allowed to choose up to six wildlife management zones in order to maximize their chances of being drawn. During the draw process, applications are randomly selected beginning with applications in the first priority pool. The system will check each zone choice in order and continue until either the application is drawn or it is determined that no remaining licences are available for any of the zone choices. This same process is repeated for the second priority pool.

Due to harsh winters over the last several years, white-tailed deer numbers have decreased, and quotas have been adjusted to reflect lower population levels.

All hunters who wish to apply for the 2014 draw are required to provide their HAL identification number (HAL ID). Remember, registration for a HAL ID is a one-time requirement and if you applied for, or purchased a 2013/14 Saskatchewan angling or hunting licence, you have already been assigned a HAL number. Please use this HAL ID number when applying and do not create another account. If you require assistance with your account, please call 1-855-848-4773 (8:00 am - 9:00 pm).

All awarded draw licences will be available through the automated licence system on the individual hunter's HAL account. Licences will not be mailed to successful applicants. Please note, if you are selected for a draw licence, you will not be allowed to purchase a guided white-tailed deer licence. This applies even if you decide not to purchase the draw licence.

Complete application instructions can be found at [saskatchewan.ca/huntinganglinglicences](http://saskatchewan.ca/huntinganglinglicences). For additional information or assistance, please email [centre.inquiry@gov.sk.ca](mailto:centre.inquiry@gov.sk.ca) or call 1-800-567-4224.

*Good luck to all applicants!*

## We have automated our licence system!

**Purchase your hunting, angling or trapping licences:**

- Online anytime (big game licences require a previously acquired seal)\*;
- Through private issuers, Ministry of Environment and select provincial park offices; or
- By phone at 1-855-848-4773 (8:00 am to 9:00 pm) or order online (please allow 10 business days for delivery).

\*see information about seals on second page

# What's New for 2014

## Improved Wildlife Management Zone Boundaries

All of the province's wildlife management zones (WMZ) have been reviewed with the goal of improving the 'on-the-ground' identification of their boundaries. Recent amendments have revised the boundary descriptions for 33 wildlife management zones and they now follow easily identifiable features such as numbered provincial highways, numbered municipal roads or major water bodies wherever possible. As well, a number of zones have been permanently separated into east and west divisions for more effective wildlife management. Forty-five wildlife management zone boundaries have not been changed.

A new, [high-quality digital map](#) has been produced and is available on the ministry website in a variety of file formats, and will be included in the *2014/15 Hunters' and Trappers' Guide*. The boundaries which have changed are coloured purple in the PDF version to make them easier to identify. The ministry will make information available to third party providers to allow them to develop a WMZ download for GPS units and 'smart' phones.

Draw participants are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the new map before they submit their applications.

## 2013 Hunter Harvest Survey

A harvest survey of drawn Canadian resident hunters was conducted in fall 2013. This online-only pilot survey targeted applicants with valid email addresses. Sixty-nine per cent of the 2,781 hunters who were contacted supplied a response.

Hunters were asked the following questions: If they hunted, what firearm types did they use and how many days they hunted with each firearm type, did they harvest an animal, what firearm type was used to harvest the animal, and what was the sex/age of the animal harvested. Hunters were also asked to rate the deer population based on observations in the same area from the previous year and were provided the option to include additional comments.

A summary of the survey shows that the harvest success was 60 per cent with a breakdown of 94 per cent bucks, five per cent does and one per cent fawns. Hunters reported hunting for 4.5 days on average. Of the total days hunted, rifle was used 86 per cent of the time, shotgun was used 1.4 per cent of the time, muzzleloader was used eight per cent of the time, crossbow was used 0.3 per cent of the time and archery was used 4.3 per cent of the time.

Thank you to all hunters who responded to the survey. Full survey results are available on our website shortly.

## Licence Fees

	Prices include GST
<b>Draw Application Fee</b> .....	\$4.00
<b>Canadian Resident White-tailed Deer</b> .....	\$137.38
<b>Wildlife Habitat Licence</b> (all hunters) .....	\$10.79
<b>Duplicate Seals</b> (replacement of lost or destroyed seals are available from Ministry of Environment offices) .....	\$5.40

### NOTE

Your hunting licence and seals must be carried with you at all times while hunting.

## Important information about Big Game Seals

- HAL uses a generic big game seal; there are no longer different seals for different species.
- If you wish to purchase your big game licence via home computer, you must first obtain blank, unregistered seals.
- Seal packs can be obtained free of charge from Saskatchewan licence issuers, ministry offices, select provincial parks, and ordered online, or by phone.
- When a big game licence is purchased via the online website, an applicant must enter the number from a new, unregistered seal in order to complete the purchase. The hunter then records the species for which the seal is valid, the licence number, year and their signature on the seal. Once a seal is registered, the serial number is printed on the associated licence and it cannot be used for another licence.
- Remember, if a seal pack or a big game licence is ordered online or by phone, you must allow 10 business days for delivery. Big game hunters must have their licence and seal in their possession before hunting is lawful.
- Seals obtained in a seal pack can be used in future years, and don't expire until 2020.

# Draw Seasons

## DRAW WHITE-TAILED DEER (Canadian Residents Only)

Wildlife Management Zones	Season Dates	Bag Limit	Additional Information
Zones 1, 2E, 2W, 3 to 6, 7E, 7W including Cypress Hills (West Block) Provincial Park, 8 to 13, 14E, 14W, 15 to 19, 21 including Last Mountain Lake National Wildlife Area, 22, 23 including that portion of Douglas Provincial Park located west of Diefenbaker Lake (Gordon McKenzie Arm), 24 to 32, 33 including Moose Mountain Provincial Park, 34 to 36, 37 including Duck Mountain Provincial Park, 38 to 41, 42E, 42W, 43, 44, 45E, 45W, 46, 47, 52 and 54	Rifle Nov. 25 - Dec. 2	one white-tailed deer, either-sex	<p><b>Quotas Subject to Change</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rifle hunting is not permitted in Saskatoon Wildlife Management Zone and Regina/Moose Jaw Wildlife Management Zone. Shotguns may not be used during the muzzleloader season.</li> <li>Archery and crossbow hunting only in Prince Albert Wildlife Management Zone.</li> <li>In provincial parks and recreation sites, white-tailed deer hunting is prohibited until September 10.</li> <li>Tentative 2014 licence quotas for Canadian resident white-tailed deer:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1(15), 2E(10), 2W(10), 3(5), 4(10), 5(20), 6(25), 7E(5), 7W(5), 8(10), 9(25), 10(5), 11(5), 12(5), 13(20), 14E(10), 14W(10), 15(15), 16(5), 17(5), 18(10), 19(15), 21(25), 22(15), 23(15), 24(15), 25(5), 26(5), 27(5), 28(20), 29(15), 30(10), 31(5), 32(5), 33(10), 34(35), 35(5), 36(15), 37(45), 38(15), 39(30), 40(10), 41(20), 42E(10), 42W(15), 43(5), 44(15), 45E(15), 45W(25), 46(30), 47(60), 48(15), 49(25), 50(45), 52(15), 53(30), 54(50), 55 (95), 56(20), 57(10), 58(5), 59(15), 60(5), 61(5), 62(5), 63(5), 64(5), 65(5), 66(5), 67(45), 68S(15), 68N(5), 69(15), SMZ(20), RMZ (10), PMZ(5).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Saskatoon Wildlife Management Zone - SWMZ (Designate Zone SMZ) Regina/Moose Jaw Wildlife Management Zone - RWMZ (Designate Zone RMZ)	Archery and Crossbow Sept. 15 - Dec. 2 Muzzleloader Oct. 15 - Dec. 2 Shotgun Nov. 25 - Dec. 2	one white-tailed deer, either-sex	
Prince Albert Wildlife Management Zone - PWMZ (Designate Zone PMZ)	Archery and Crossbow Sept. 15 - Dec. 2	one white-tailed deer, either-sex	
Zones 48, 49, 50 including Fort a la Corne Wildlife Management Unit, 53 and 55  <b>Note: Hunting in Fort a la Corne Wildlife Management Unit from Nov. 25 to Dec. 2 only.</b>	Archery Sept. 1 - Oct. 31 Muzzleloader and Crossbow Oct. 1 - Oct. 31 Rifle Nov. 25 - Dec. 2	one white-tailed deer, either-sex	
Zones 56 including Greenwater Lake Provincial Park and Round Lake Recreation Site, 57, 58, 59 including Wildcat Hill Provincial Park, 60 to 62, 63 including Narrow Hills Provincial Park, 64, 65 including Clarence Steepbank Lake Provincial Park, 66, 67, 68S including Bronson Forest Recreation Site, 68N, and 69 including Meadow Lake Provincial Park.	Archery, Muzzleloader and Crossbow Sept. 1 - Oct. 31 Rifle Nov. 1 - Dec. 2	one white-tailed deer, either-sex	

**NOTE**

The Canadian Resident White-tailed Deer Draw opens May 1, 2014.

### Your HAL ID is your permanent, unique number!

If you purchased a Saskatchewan hunting or angling licence, or applied for the Big Game Draw in 2013, you have already registered in the system and have been assigned a HAL ID. Signing up for an account is a one-time requirement. Please do not create a second account. You only require one HAL ID for all your hunting, angling and Big Game Draw licences or applications.



# 2014 Big Game Draw - Canadian Residents

## Automated Licences

All individual applicants must be registered in the automated licence system and have a HAL number to apply. If you have not purchased a 2013/14 angling or hunting licence, or did not apply for last year's draw, you can register for a HAL number by visiting our website at [saskatchewan.ca/huntinganglinglicences](http://saskatchewan.ca/huntinganglinglicences). If you have an account but do not remember your HAL ID, you can either sign into your online account to view your HAL ID or call 1-855-848-4773. Your HAL ID can also be found on any previously printed licences.

## How Do I apply for the Canadian Resident White-tailed Deer Draw?

Please review the information in this supplement for proper zone designations and season dates. Wildlife Management Zone selection will be similar to previous years, in that applicants will be limited to hunting in a single zone, but will be able to choose up to six zones from which they may be selected.

Applications will be accepted only through the Canadian Resident White-tailed Deer Draw online applications system, which will be open from May 1, 2014 to 5:00 pm on May 31, 2014. You must apply online at [saskatchewan.ca/huntinganglinglicences](http://saskatchewan.ca/huntinganglinglicences), choose "Canadian Resident Big Game Draw Information".

Applicants are encouraged to print off a copy of the receipt in order to verify the completeness and accuracy of their application. Retain a copy for future reference.

Once an application is submitted, applicants can also review the status of their application by clicking on the link "Review Current Application/Draw Results" which is available on the website. Changes to your application can be requested prior to June 2, 2014 at 5:00 pm. Changes will not be accepted after this date.

## How Does the "Family First" Pool System Work?

For the "Family First" sponsored hunt, each applicant must have an immediate family member residing in Saskatchewan for the application to successfully be entered in the "Family First pool". Immediate family members include grandmother, grandfather, mother, father, brother, sister, child, spouse or common law spouse. For example, if four applicants are entered on a single application, each member must have an immediate family member sponsor or the application will be placed in the second priority pool. Multiple applicants are able to use the same family sponsor provided they are all considered immediate family of said family sponsor. A successful applicant is not required to hunt with their sponsor, or to hunt in the same zone their sponsor resides in.

All applicants who do not have an immediate family member living in Saskatchewan will be placed in the second priority pool.

Each family sponsor is required to supply their full name, address and phone number to validate residency. Ensure you have consent from your sponsor before including them on your application.

## Who is Eligible?

All Canadian residents can apply for the Canadian Resident White-tailed Deer Draw. A Canadian resident is:

- A person other than a Saskatchewan resident whose principal residence is in Canada and is a Canadian citizen or has resided in Canada for 12 months immediately before his/her application for a licence.
- Applicants must be 12 years of age or older on or before May 31, 2014 to apply for a licence. All applicants born after January 1, 1971 must graduate from a Firearm Safety/Hunter Education course before applying. Persons whose hunting rights are restricted for either a Saskatchewan Wildlife Act conviction or a firearm accident are not eligible to submit an application.

## How Do I Pay for My Application?

As in previous years, when applying online, you must have a Visa or MasterCard. There is a non-refundable \$4.00 fee for each application.

## Key Points to Remember

- Please read the draw information carefully because there may be changes to zones, quotas or season dates from the previous year.
- Apply early. If there are complications with submitting your applications, it may take time to sort out the problem.
- The number of zones (maximum of 6) you choose on your application will increase the likelihood of being drawn.
- The maximum number of hunters on each application is four. Either all applicants on the application will be drawn (because it is the application that is drawn) or all applicants will not be drawn. There are no exceptions to allow for more than four applicants on an application.
- An individual can only submit one application. If an individual is listed on two separate applications for the Canadian Resident White-tailed Deer Draw in 2014, both applications will be rejected from the draw.
- All applicants on a single application must have a validated family sponsor to be considered for the "Family First" priority pool. Failure to ensure this is correct will result in all applications being placed in the secondary pool.
- Once you are drawn, you cannot forfeit your licence.
- All successful applicants must buy a 2014 Saskatchewan Wildlife Habitat Certificate in order to validate their licence.
- Draw results will be posted by mid-July 2014. Hunters are advised to go online and check the status of their application after this date. A notice will be posted on the ministry's website informing hunters that the draw results are available. You may then use the query tool to check whether or not your application was selected by clicking on the link "Review Current Application/Draw Results".

## Contact Information

For additional information about the Canadian Resident White-tailed Deer Draw, [visit our website](http://saskatchewan.ca/huntinganglinglicences), by email at [centre.inquiry@gov.sk.ca](mailto:centre.inquiry@gov.sk.ca) or call 1-800-567-4224.

## Saskatchewan's Automated Hunting, Angling and Trapping Licence System

The 2014 season marks the second year for Saskatchewan's automated Hunting, Angling and Trapping Licence (HAL) system. This system has been improved to offer better service to hunters and anglers. Licence purchases can be made very efficiently by using your HAL Identification Number (ID), or your previously registered secondary identification number to quickly access your account. **If you require assistance with your identification, call 1-855-848-4773 (8:00 am to 9:00 pm).**