

Saskatchewan Resident Big Game Draw Overview

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What is the Big Game Draw?

The Big Game Draw is a transparent and equitable method of allocating a limited number of big game hunting licences. The Big Game Draw started in 1958 after concerns were raised that the province's elk population was under heavy pressure from hunters. Limiting the number of licences for areas with high interest from hunters allows the Ministry of Environment to manage the harvest and help ensure the long- term sustainability of populations. This year's Saskatchewan resident draw includes licences for elk, moose, either-sex mule deer, antlerless mule deer and pronghorn.

The Big Game Draw uses a system of priority pools to provide higher priority for applicants who have not been drawn for a greater number of years. Priority pools are established based on the last time a hunter was drawn for a particular species. In recent years the number of applications received has increased significantly, which has reduced the odds of being drawn for many species. In response, the Big Game Draw process was modified with the addition of two new priority pools. The Legacy pool was implemented in 2018 to provide long-term applicants with an increased opportunity of being drawn. In 2019, a new lowest priority D pool was implemented for all hunters drawn the previous year as well as all first-time applicants for a species. This will extend the time required for drawn applicants to reach the top priority pools.

Legacy Pool – 1st Priority

- Consists of applicants who qualified for the Super A pool (2nd priority) for the previous 10 consecutive years without having been successfully drawn.
- Hunters must apply each year and maintain their Super A status for a particular species to be counted toward the Legacy status.
- Hunters who qualify for Legacy status, but are not drawn, must continue to apply each year to maintain their status. Zone 99 applications are accepted.

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Super A Pool – 2nd Priority

- Consists of applicants who qualified for A pool in the previous year but were not drawn for that species, as well as applicants who were in Super A in the previous year but were not drawn and do not qualify for the Legacy pool.
- To advance to Super A status and maintain it, applicants must continue to apply for that species every year until drawn. After an applicant has 10 consecutive unsuccessful years in Super A, they will advance to Legacy status.

A Pool – 3rd Priority

- Consists of applicants who were in the B pool the previous year and were not drawn, as well as applicants who were in the Super A or Legacy pools the previous year but did not apply.
- Once applicants reach the A pool, they will not advance to the next highest priority status unless they apply.

B Pool – 4th Priority

- Consists of applicants who were in the C pool the previous year but were not drawn.

C Pool - 5th Priority

- Consists of applicants who were in D pool the previous year but were not drawn.

D Pool – 6th Priority

- Consists of applicants who were drawn the previous year and all first-time applicants for a species.

If an application is submitted with more than one hunter, the application is placed in the priority pool of the hunter with the lowest pool status.

Who can apply for the Big Game Draw?

Hunters who are eligible to hold a Saskatchewan resident hunting licence may apply for the Saskatchewan Resident Big Game Draw. This includes Saskatchewan residents who are 12 years of age or older, and members of the Canadian Armed Forces who were a Saskatchewan resident at the time of recruitment or deployment from the province. All hunters born after Jan. 1, 1971, must have graduated from a firearm safety/hunter education course before applying. Please note there are separate federal firearm requirements, as a federal possession and acquisition licence (PAL) does not exempt someone from being required to pass a firearm safety/hunter education course.

A Saskatchewan resident is defined as a person who is a Canadian citizen or has been a resident of Canada for a period of one year and has also been a resident of Saskatchewan for a period of three months immediately preceding the date of application. Hunters who own property in Saskatchewan but reside in another province or reside in Saskatchewan but do not have a valid

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Saskatchewan health card, do not qualify for the Saskatchewan resident Big Game Draw.

All hunters applying for the Big Game Draw must have a Hunting, Angling and Trapping Licence (HAL) account. When creating your HAL account, Saskatchewan residents must have a valid Saskatchewan health services card and enter names exactly as they appear on the card. Members of the Canadian Armed Forces must add their regimental number (service number) to their HAL accounts prior to applying.

People whose hunting rights are suspended for a *Wildlife Act* conviction or firearm incident are not eligible to apply for a licence, including WMZ 99 applications. Applications that include an applicant whose hunting rights are suspended will be rejected and excluded from the draw. Ensure that you do not apply with someone whose hunting rights are suspended.

How do I apply for the Big Game Draw?

Before submitting your application, make sure you review the current [Saskatchewan Resident Big Game Draw Supplement](#) for information on new changes, available hunts, tentative quotas, proper hunt designations, bag limits and season dates. Do not assume that season dates, bag limit and quotas have not changed from last year. You may also wish to review Big Game Draw results from previous years to help you with choosing hunt selections that can give you a better chance of being drawn. A map of the wildlife management zones is also available on the website.

Applications will be accepted from May 1 at 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the last Thursday of May. The Big Game Draw application is accessible through your HAL account. A valid Visa or MasterCard is required to apply and there is a non-refundable fee of \$10 per application. Please visit the Big Game Draw page of the licensing website at saskatchewanhal.ca for information on the Big Game Draw, including a step-by-step guide on how to complete an application.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to apply early and review their application(s) prior to the deadline. Changes cannot be made to applications after the last Thursday of May.

You must have a HAL account!

Applicants are required to submit all applications through their HAL account. In addition to submitting applications, hunters can review their pool status, review, and make changes to their applications, look up draw results and purchase awarded draw licences by signing into their HAL account at saskatchewanhal.ca.

All individual applicants must have a HAL account to apply for the Big Game Draw. When applying, the HAL number and date of birth must be entered for all group members being added to an application. Creating an account is a one-time requirement. Anyone who has purchased hunting, trapping or angling licences, or applied for the Big Game Draw since 2013, will already have a HAL number. If you do not have a HAL account, please refer to the instructions on how to create one on the [Government of Saskatchewan website](#). If you do not know your HAL number or cannot access

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your account online, call ASPIRA customer service at 1-855-848-4773 for assistance. Do not create another account.

Applicants can edit their applications any time prior to the application deadline. Changes that can be made include adding or removing hunt choices, changing the preference order of hunt choices, and adding or removing group members. Although all members of the application can view the application through their accounts, only the individual who submitted the application is able to make changes to the application.

Make sure you review your application(s) prior to the deadline to ensure it is submitted successfully.

Requests to cancel an application must be done by email to centre.inquiry@gov.sk.ca. These requests must be received by 4:00 p.m. on the last Thursday of May. The \$10 application fee is non-refundable.

All applicants are advised to **apply early** to familiarize themselves with the application process and to allow time to resolve any issues that may occur. You must be verified as a Saskatchewan resident before an application can be successfully submitted. If you cannot be verified, it may take time to resolve the issue. Saskatchewan residents can use the [Residency Verification](#) feature on the licensing website to test whether they can be successfully verified.

Big Game Draw application rules

- The maximum number of hunters on each application is four. All applicants on the application will either be successful or unsuccessful in the draw.
- The Big Game Draw randomly selects applications, not applicants. There is no benefit to applying with more hunters on a single application. An application with one hunter has the same odds of being drawn as an application with four hunters.
- The draw places applications into the priority pool of the group member with the lowest priority status. If the application is not drawn, each individual group member's priority status will progress independently. For example, if an application has two group members, one with A priority status and one with B priority status, the application will be placed into the B priority pool. If it is not drawn, the first group member will advance to Super A and the second will advance to A pool.
- An individual can only submit one application per species. For example, if an individual puts in two separate applications for elk in the same year, both applications will be rejected from the draw.
- For elk, moose and pronghorn, you can apply for either-sex and antlerless only hunts on the same application. For example, you may wish to choose the either-sex season as your first hunt choice (e.g. hunt designation 42E) and the antlerless season as your second choice (e.g. zone designation 42EA). Priority is given to the either-sex season (your first preference), but if all either-sex licences are already allocated when your application is drawn, there may still be antlerless licences remaining. Keep in mind that you are only assigned one pool status for the species (i.e. you are not in separate pools for either- sex and antlerless) and if you are drawn you will be placed in the D Pool the following year.
- Antlerless mule deer is treated as a separate species for the draw; therefore, separate

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- applications are required to apply for mule deer and antlerless mule deer.
- It is an offence under *The Wildlife Regulations* to submit false information on an application. Applications are reviewed prior the draw being executed. Ineligible applications will be excluded.
- If an applicant wishes to advance from the A pool to Super A or maintain Super A or Legacy status but does not want to be drawn for a particular species, select WMZ 99 on the draw application.
- All applications for youth antlerless mule deer are placed in the same pool; therefore, zone 99 is not an option for youth applications.
- Individuals automatically move through the D, C and B pools; it is not necessary to apply.

How can I check my pool status?

Your pool status can be reviewed through your HAL account for each species. If you have not previously applied for a species, it will not be updated on your account until draw results are posted on the first year you apply. You can view your pool status by visiting the [Pool Status](#) page in the [My Account](#) section. On the [Pool Status](#) page, your current pool status for each species will be displayed. Click on a species to view details about your pool status history for that species.

The screenshot shows the 'My Account' section of the Saskatchewan Resident Big Game Draw website. The 'Pool Status' tab is selected, displaying a table of draw results for Elk. The table includes columns for the date, the pool status, and the result. Annotations highlight the 'Hide History' link, the current pool status (Super A), and the result after the draw (Super A) which does not count towards reaching 'Legacy' pool status.

Date	Pool Status	Result
Jun 15, 2017	Super A	Not Drawn
Jun 30, 2016	Super A	Not Drawn
Jun 30, 2015	Super A	Not Drawn
Jun 30, 2014	Super A	Not Drawn
Jun 30, 2013	Super A	Not Drawn
Jun 30, 2012	Super A	Not Drawn
Jun 30, 2011	Super A	Not Drawn
Jun 30, 2010	A	Not Drawn
Jun 30, 2009	B	Zone 99
Jun 30, 2008	C	Drawn
Jun 30, 2007	Super A	Not Drawn

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Selecting hunt choices on your application

Applicants are given the option to select up to six hunt choices in order of preference for each species. Hunts most often correspond to a Wildlife Management Zone (WMZ) but may include a combination of WMZs or in some cases a provincial park, Wildlife Management Unit, or a portion of a WMZ. For elk, moose and pronghorn, there may be an either-sex and antlerless only hunt available for the same area. Ensure you select your desired hunts and preference order carefully. Click on the [Info](#) button for further information about the hunt.

The number of hunts you choose on your application can increase the likelihood that you may be drawn. During the draw, your first hunt selection is considered your first preference hunt. If all licences for that hunt have been allocated before your application was selected, your second hunt choice will then be considered. This process is repeated until all hunt choices have been reviewed. If there are no remaining licences for any of your hunt choices, your application is not drawn. By selecting more hunt choices, you can increase your chance of receiving a licence if your application is not drawn early. Consider the licence quota for the hunts you select but remember to only select hunts that you are willing to be selected for.

Table 1. How your odds of being drawn increase by selecting more than one hunt choice. Please note that this example may include hunt choices and quotas that are not applicable to the current year.

<i>Example Moose Application</i>			
Hunt Choice (1-6)	Hunt	Quota For Hunt	Total Licences Available (Running Total)
1st	6	60	60
2nd	17	75	135
3rd	30	40	175
4th	48	225	400
5th	54	100	500
6th	33	25	525

Make sure you are selecting the correct hunts by double-checking that the hunt codes (designate zones) listed in the current Saskatchewan Resident Big Game Draw Supplement match the information for the hunt you are intending to select. The season dates, bag limit or the valid hunting area (combinations of zones or portions of a zone) may have changed from previous years.

Applications are drawn randomly and all applications within a pool have an equal chance of being drawn, but some hunts are highly competitive and the likelihood of being drawn for any application may be very low, even from the top priority pool. Applicants often underestimate the number of applicants compared to available licences. It is recommended that you review the summary of results from previous years. The summary includes the number of applicants who applied and were drawn for each hunt by priority pool.

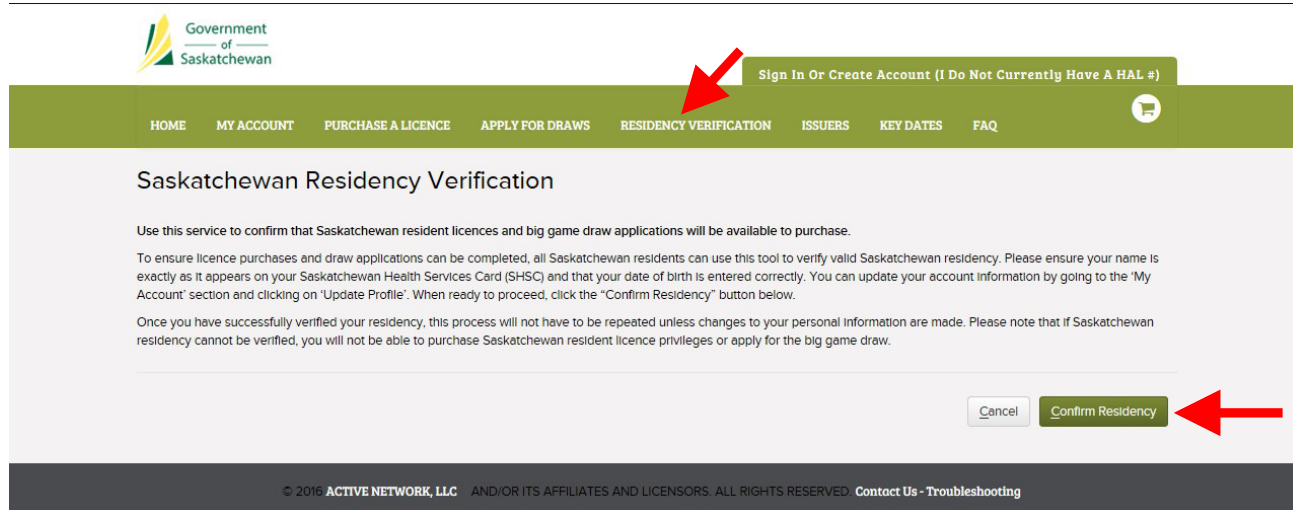
This is available from the licensing website at saskatchewanhal.ca by visiting the [Big Game Draw Page](#).

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Common problems encountered when filling out an online Big Game Draw application

A common problem occurs when an applicant cannot be verified as a Saskatchewan resident. Information entered in your HAL account must be consistent with what is on your Saskatchewan health services card. For example, entering a nickname may cause you to fail the residency verification. Please enter your name as it appears on your Saskatchewan health card.

To make sure you will not experience issues with being verified as a Saskatchewan resident, use the [Saskatchewan Residency Verification](#) feature available in your HAL account. This allows you to test whether you can be successfully verified. If you cannot be successfully verified, you may be required to update your account information. Make sure your name, date of birth and gender are correct. To update your account information, go to the [Update Profile](#) page available in the [My Account](#) section of your web account.



The screenshot shows the 'Saskatchewan Residency Verification' page. At the top, there is a green navigation bar with the Government of Saskatchewan logo on the left and a 'Sign In Or Create Account (I Do Not Currently Have A HAL #)' link on the right. Below this is a horizontal menu with links: HOME, MY ACCOUNT, PURCHASE A LICENCE, APPLY FOR DRAWS, RESIDENCY VERIFICATION, ISSUERS, KEY DATES, and FAQ. The 'RESIDENCY VERIFICATION' link is highlighted with a red arrow. The main content area is titled 'Saskatchewan Residency Verification' and contains instructions on how to use the service. At the bottom right of the main content area, there are two buttons: 'Cancel' and 'Confirm Residency'. The 'Confirm Residency' button is highlighted with a red arrow. The footer of the page contains copyright information: '© 2016 ACTIVE NETWORK, LLC AND/OR ITS AFFILIATES AND LICENSORS. ALL RIGHTS RESERVED. Contact Us - Troubleshooting'.

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View All (0)

Draw Applications

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Licences

Hunter Harvest Surveys

Update Profile

Update Password

Sign Out

Update Profile

* Required

Do not create a new account if you used the HAL system previously (have a HAL ID). Please sign in or look up your existing profile instead by going to the home page and clicking 'Sign In'. Please contact the Call Centre at 1-888-773-8450 if you require assistance with signing in.

Personal Information

Salutation First Name * Middle Name Last Name *

Mr John Doe

Suffix Date of Birth (YYYY/MM/DD) *

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Applicants with names that have apostrophes, periods or hyphens often experience issues with being verified. If your name has an apostrophe or period and you cannot be verified, try replacing the apostrophe or period with a space. If your name has a hyphen, you may need to try adding or removing the hyphen. Also make sure you have not reversed your first name and last name, or the month and day of birth.

If you have confirmed that your account information is correct but cannot be successfully verified, contact eHealth to ensure your Saskatchewan health card is valid. If you have recently changed addresses, it may be possible that you missed a renewal notice from eHealth and have had your health benefits suspended.

Another common error made when submitting a Big Game Draw application is selecting an undesirable hunt by mistake. Most often, this occurs when a hunt is selected for an antlerless only season when the hunter has intended to select the either-sex hunt for the same zone. Remember, elk, moose and pronghorn may have both antlerless only and either-sex seasons available for the same area. Hunt codes for antlerless only seasons are followed by an A. Make sure you read the current Big Game Draw Supplement, available online, for available hunts and corresponding season dates and bag limits. Also, make sure you have reviewed your application(s) through your HAL account prior to the deadline. If you are drawn for a hunt you did not intend on selecting, you cannot decline your licence to have your pool status reinstated and will not be eligible for a regular licence for that species.

Problems may occur if you use the back button on your internet browser, particularly if the application has been added to the shopping cart. This may result in changes to the application not being saved. If you need to edit your application, use the [Edit Choices](#) or [Add/Edit Group](#)

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Members links that are provided on the application details page. If the application is already added to the shopping cart and you need to make changes to your application, use the **Edit Application** link to return to previous pages.

Make sure your Big Game Draw application(s) has been successfully submitted. Once you have submitted your application, you can review and update your submitted applications in the **Draw Orders** section from the **My Account** menu.

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My Account

- Account Summary
- Orders
 - View All (33)
 - Draws (17)**
 - Licences (15)
 - Donations (1)
- Pool Status
- Licences
- Hunter Harvest Surveys
- Update Profile
- Update Password
- Sign Out

Orders - Draws

Show: **All** Entered Awarded Not Awarded Sort by Order Date ↑

Draw Elk
Entered
Application Date: Apr 17, 2024
Price: \$10.00
Application #: 17-1005621
Application Pool Status: D
Show Entered Draws
Show Group Members

Draw Elk
Purchased
Application Date: May 01, 2023
Price: \$10.00
Application #: 17-880061
Application Pool Status: A
Awarded Hunt (2nd Choice) Code: 40A Species: Elk- Antlerless Date Period: Archery, Muzzleloader, Crossbow, Shotgun & Rifle: Oct 15 - Oct 31; Archery, Muzzleloader, Crossbow, Shotgun & Rifle: Nov 10 - Nov 19
Show Entered Draws
Show Group Members

Group leader will have the option to edit the application until the deadline (4:00 p.m. of the last Thursday in May.)

Modify Application

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Deadlines for submitting and updating Big Game Draw applications

The Big Game Draw online application closes at 4:00 p.m. on the last Thursday of May. Changes will not be accepted after this date. Once an application is submitted, each member of the application can review the application through the [My Account](#) section of their HAL accounts. Only the group leader who submitted the application can edit the application. Changes that can be made include changing hunt choices or adding or removing group members. If you wish to cancel your application, you must make a request by sending an email to centre.inquiry@gov.sk.ca. Your request needs to include your name, HAL number and species. The request must be received by 4:00 p.m. on the last Thursday in May.

How priority pools are used in the Big Game Draw

Applications will be entered into the priority pool of the person on the application with the lowest pool status. For example, if there are four people on an application and three people have a pool status of Super A and one person has a pool status of A pool, this application would be placed in A pool. However, this does not affect the individual pool status of each hunter on the application.

Hunters are required to apply to retain Super A or Legacy pool status or advance from the A pool to Super A or Super A to the Legacy pool. If you do not want to be drawn for a particular species but advance or maintain your pool status, the WMZ 99 option should be selected when applying. Zone 99 will appear as a hunt choice when filling out the application. All applications for youth antlerless mule deer are placed in the Super A pool; therefore, zone 99 is not an option for youth applications.

What happens after applications are submitted and how are the draws executed?

After the application deadline, information from the application is reviewed to ensure all applicants are eligible. Applications with group members who fail the residency verification process, have been suspended from hunting in Saskatchewan, have submitted more than one application for the same species or have provided false information will be rejected from the draw.

Licence quotas are entered into the program for each hunt by species. Draws are then run for each species separately (antlerless mule deer and youth draws are run together). The computer randomly selects applications beginning with the Legacy pool until all licences have been allocated. Once an application is drawn, the system checks the remaining quota for each hunt choice in order of priority. If there is remaining quota, the application is drawn for that hunt choice. If there is no remaining quota for that hunt choice, the system then checks the next hunt choice preference (if there is one) and continues to check each hunt choice until there is a hunt choice with remaining quota and the application is drawn, or there is no remaining quota for any hunt choice and the application is not drawn.

By mid-June, Big Game Draw results for all draws except for pronghorn are posted and are accessible through the HAL system. The draw for pronghorn is executed later, with results posted in mid-July. Emails will be sent to applicants with valid email addresses on their HAL accounts. Please ensure that the email you provided with your HAL account is correct so that the email can

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be successfully delivered. Awarded licences may be purchased beginning Aug. 1.

How can I check the status of my application(s) and check my draw results?

All hunters are responsible for confirming that they have successfully submitted their applications and for checking their draw result(s). You can submit, review, and check the result of your Big Game Draw application online through your HAL account. You will be able to see your current Big Game Draw applications, including the hunts you selected, your pool status, whether you were drawn, and, if drawn, your draw results. If you require assistance with accessing your account or you do not have internet access, you can visit a ministry field office or call 1-855-848-4773.

Once the draw has been run and results have been posted, a notice will be posted on the website informing hunters that Big Game Draw results are available. Though notification emails are sent to applicants with a valid email address on their account to inform them of their draw result, successful email delivery cannot be guaranteed. You may then sign into your HAL account to review the status of your applications by visiting the [Draw Orders](#) page from the [My Account](#) menu. Make sure you are viewing your application for the current year.

The screenshot shows the 'My Account' page of the Saskatchewan Government HAL website. The 'Draw Applications' section is active, showing a summary of applications. A red arrow points to the 'Status: Awarded' text, and another red arrow points to the 'Code: 8' text. The page includes a sidebar with links to 'Account Summary', 'Orders', 'Draw Applications', 'Pool Status', 'Licences', 'Hunter Harvest Surveys', 'Update Profile', 'Update Password', and 'Sign Out'. The main content area displays details for a 'Draw Pronghorn' application, including the application number, status, and draw choices.

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Draw Applications

Summary listing of your draw applications. Submitted in: Last 365 days

Draw Pronghorn
Application #: 17-75441 Status: Awarded
Application Pool Status: A
[Purchase License](#)

Awarded Hunt: Shotgun & Rifle: Oct 1 - Nov 9
Code: 8 Species: Pronghorn- Either-Sex Date Period: Archery, Muzzleloader, Crossbow,
Shotgun & Rifle: Oct 1 - Nov 9
[Hide Draw Choices](#)

1st Choice:
Code: 8 Species: Pronghorn- Either-Sex Date Period: Archery, Muzzleloader, Crossbow, Shotgun & Rifle: Oct 1 - Nov 9
2nd Choice:
Code: 9 Species: Pronghorn- Either-Sex Date Period: Archery, Muzzleloader, Crossbow, Shotgun & Rifle: Oct 1 - Nov 9
[Hide Group Members](#)

Group Leader
Junior Smith

Group Member
John Smith

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If I am drawn, how do I get my licence?

If you are successfully selected in the draw, your licence will be available to you through the automated licensing service; it will not be automatically mailed to you. Licences will be available to purchase beginning Aug. 1.

All individual Big Game Draw applicants who are drawn will be required to purchase their licence(s) through the HAL system using one of the following methods:

- *online through your HAL account;
- through a private issuer, a ministry field office or select provincial park offices; or
- by phone at 1-888-848-4773 (8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. CST).

***Note** - Seals/tags must be obtained from a private issuer, ministry field office, select provincial park offices, or by ordering online or by phone (allow up to 10 days for mail delivery) prior to purchasing a licence from home. You will be required to enter your seal number to complete the purchase. If you do not already have seals, you may still order your licence online but will need to wait for your licence to be delivered by mail. If ordering, please fill out your shipping address accurately to avoid issues with mail delivery.

If purchasing your licence(s) through your HAL account, there are two ways to add your licence(s) to your shopping cart. You can either select [Purchase a Licence](#) form the options at the top of the page or visit the [Draw Orders](#) page of the [My Account](#) menu.

The screenshot displays the Saskatchewan Government HAL website. The top navigation bar includes links for HOME, MY ACCOUNT, PURCHASE A LICENCE (highlighted with a red arrow), APPLY FOR DRAWS, RESIDENCY VERIFICATION, ISSUERS, KEY DATES, and FAQ. The 'My Account' sidebar on the left lists various options, with 'Draw Applications' highlighted by a red arrow. The main content area shows a 'Draw Pronghorn' application with details such as Application #, Status, and Application Pool Status. A 'Purchase License' button is prominently displayed and highlighted with a red arrow. Below this, there are sections for 'Awards Hunt', '1st Choice', '2nd Choice', and 'Group Members'.

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Be aware that if you are drawn you will not be eligible to purchase a regular licence for that species and you will drop to D pool for the following year, regardless of whether you have purchased your Big Game Draw licence.

Applicants drawn for three or more species may decline their awarded licence(s) and retain their pool status but must keep the drawn result for at least two species (hunters drawn for three species may only decline the awarded licence for one species, hunters drawn for four species may decline licences for one or two species, and hunters drawn for five species may decline licences for up to three species). Eligible hunters wishing to decline awarded licences must notify the ministry at centre.inquiry@gov.sk.ca by July 31.

Tips and key points to remember

- All applicants are required to have a HAL account to apply for the Big Game Draw. The HAL ID and date of birth must be entered for all applicants being added to an application.
- You must apply for the Big Game Draw online through your HAL account.
- Don't assume that nothing has changed in the draw information from the previous year. Information (new zones, quotas, hunt designations, etc.) can change annually, so please read the draw information carefully. Draw information is found in the Saskatchewan Big Game Draw Supplement, available at saskatchewan.ca/hunting.
- You can review your pool status through your HAL account at any time.
- **Do not wait until the last minute to submit your application.** If there are complications with submitting your application, it may take time to sort out the problem.
- Avoid disappointment – if possible, have one member of your hunting party, other than the person who completed the application, verify the application for completeness and accuracy. Remember, you can review your application through your HAL web account at any time, and it can be edited prior to the application deadline.
- Hunt designations with an A following the zone number are for antlerless only seasons.
- Licences will not be mailed to successful applicants. All successful applicants will be required to purchase their licence through the HAL system using one of the following methods:
 - online through your HAL account;
 - at a ministry field office or select provincial park office;
 - at a private licence issuer; or
 - by phone at 1-855-848-4773.
- Once you are drawn you cannot decline your licence and regain your pool status by not purchasing your licence. Refunds and pool status reinstatements may only be issued for medical reasons and emergency situations that prevent the individual from being able to hunt, or if an applicant is drawn for more than two species.
- If you are drawn, you will not be eligible for a regular licence for that species and will move to the D pool for the following year, regardless of whether you have purchased your awarded draw licence.

For further information about the Saskatchewan Big Game Draw, you may contact the Ministry of Environment at 1-800-567-4224 or centre.inquiry@gov.sk.ca.