Turkey Licenses & Harvest Authorizations

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Conservation patron or turkey license?

Ask customers if they are considering a Conservation Patron license this year. It is unavailable once licenses within the Conservation the package is purchased. NOTE: Turkey permits will automatically print with the CP license if the customer was awarded one for the spring season.

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Customer Dashboard – Awarded vs Bonus

An Awarded Turkey Harvest Authorization will only show in the products list if the customer was awarded a permit in the drawing. Bonus Harvest Authorizations are not available for sale until mid-March. See your Agent Corner for exact dates and availability.

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Turkey drawing notification postcards

Hunters who were successful in the turkey permit drawing will have an awarded permit uploaded to their customer account and may purchase any time after March 1. Look for the Product "Spring Turkey Awarded Harvest Authorization" in the product list.

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Bonus Harvest Authorizations

A customer may only purchase a harvest authorization for themselves and/or for their own minor children (under 18). Customers may purchase one bonus per day regardless if they also received an awarded permit in the Spring Turkey drawing. A Management Zone will be "grayed out" on the list and you won't be able to select it if the Bonus harvest authorizations are sold out.

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License Add-on – Turkey Stamp

The turkey stamp is automatically added to your first turkey license purchase of the year. The stamp counts for the spring and fall seasons in the same year. If you purchased the stamp for your spring turkey license, you will not be charged again when purchasing the fall license.

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Hunter Safety Education and Mentor licenses:

Hunter safety information is required for customers born after Jan 1, 1973 if they have no certification in their record. They must show proof of hunter safety certification or proof of military basic training if the system prompts for it. Otherwise they must purchase a mentor hunting license.

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Youth Turkey Hunt – weekend before the regular turkey season

Youth can use their turkey license, stamp, and any awarded or Bonus harvest authorization they have purchased for the regular turkey season during the youth hunt. They must hunt in the zone that is indicated. If unsuccessful during the youth hunt, they can use that same harvest authorization during the season indicated.

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Turkey Applications

Are included with the Conservation Patron license. If skipping the application customer will have to submit their choices online at gowild.wi.gov as they cannot be done at an agent after the purchase of the license. Spring Turkey due Dec 10th. Fall turkey can be purchased now or up to end of season.

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Refer regulation questions to DNR:

If customers have questions for deer hunting that is not related to the sale of the license, give them a hunting regulation booklet and refer them to the general DNR call center at 888-936-7463. Agents are not responsible for any questions beyond the license sale.

- Q How does a customer know if they were awarded a turkey harvest authorization?
- If the customer is awarded a spring turkey harvest authorization, they will be notified via postcard, which explains when they can first purchase it. You can also check under the Active Products and Points link under the Customer information section.
- Q Does the customer need their turkey permit drawing postcard at the time of purchase?
- No. If the customer was successful in the drawing, the awarded turkey permit is uploaded to their account on March 1 and will show up in their product list for purchase.
- Where is the Spring Turkey license in the product list?
- Look for the Product "Spring Turkey Awarded Harvest Authorization" in the product list. You will select this first, and then the system will offer the turkey license or Patron license as an add-on during the sale.
- Q Is the Spring Turkey License included with the Conservation Patron license?
- Yes. If a customer purchases a patron license, the system will notice that they were a spring turkey drawing winner. The Spring turkey license and permit will print automatically
- What is a bonus spring turkey harvest authorization?
- After the drawing for spring turkey is completed, there are "leftover" permits available for customers to purchase. Those permits are sold online and over the counter on a first-come, first served basis, beginning in mid-March. See your agent corner training site for the schedule and more info.
- Who can purchase a leftover turkey harvest authorization?
- Anybody can purchase a leftover harvest authorization, whether or not they were successful in the drawing. They may have both an awarded permit and bonus permits for harvesting turkey.
- Q How many bonus turkey permits can a customer purchase?
- Customers may purchase as many bonus permits as they want as long as there are still permits available in the zone and time period. They are limited to the purchase of one bonus permit per day.
- Q Can a customer purchase a turkey harvest authorization for another person?
- A customer may only purchase a harvest authorization for themselves, or for their own minor children (under 18). Adults must be present at the agent to purchase their own.
- What is the Youth Turkey Hunt?
- The Youth Turkey Hunt is a special hunt for hunters 15 years and under. It usually takes place the weekend before the regular turkey season begins.
- What is required for my son/daughter to participate in the Youth Turkey hunt?
- Youth hunters can use their turkey license, stamp, and any awarded or leftover harvest authorization they have purchased for the regular turkey season during the youth hunt. They must hunt in the zone that is indicated. If unsuccessful during the youth hunt, they can use that same harvest authorization during the season indicated.