

How Many Turkey Licenses May I Have?

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Beginning November 1: A third license (combination gun/bow) may be obtained in any zone where combination gun/bow quotas are not filled.

SPECIAL REGULATIONS THAT MAY APPLY TO FALL TURKEY HUNTING

See p. 40.

Use of Dogs Fall Season Only: Dogs may be used to locate, flush and retrieve wild turkeys as long as the hunter has a valid wild turkey license with an unfilled transportation tag in his or her possession.

RESIDENT SPRING TURKEY HUNTING INFORMATION

2007 HUNTING SEASON DATES

Resident Combination Gun/Bow Licenses

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| Youth Season (Residents Only) | April 13 - 15 |
| Season 1 | April 16 - 19 |
| Season 2 (Residents Only) | April 20 - 24 |
| Season 3 | April 25 - May 1 |
| Season 4 | May 2 - 20 |

Resident Archery-only Licenses:

April 16 - May 20

RESIDENT LICENSE TYPES

Paid Combination Gun/Bow licenses are valid statewide in the season selected by the hunter at the time of purchase. Paid gun/bow licenses are sold until the end of the season selected at the time of purchase.

Paid Archery-only licenses are valid statewide for all 4 seasons. There are no quotas and licenses are sold until the end of the 4th season.

Landowner-Tenant Gun/bow licenses and Landowner-Tenant Archery-only licenses for eligible landowners and tenants or their family members are sold without quota until the end of the season selected at the time the license was purchased. See p. 7 to determine who is eligible for Landowner-Tenant spring turkey licenses.

The following restrictions apply:

Landowner-Tenant Gun/bow licenses are valid in the season selected by the hunter at the time of purchase. Landowner-Tenant Archery-only licenses are valid in all 4 seasons. Landowner-Tenant licenses are valid only on the farm unit of the landowner or tenant (see p. 7). One Landowner-Tenant Turkey License may be obtained per landowner family and one per tenant family.

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If two combination gun/bow licenses are

NEW FOR 2007

- All hunters that shoot a turkey must report the harvest through the DNR's new Harvest Reporting System. Hunters that do not shoot a turkey do not report. See p. 21 for details.
- Landowners and tenants of agricultural land and their eligible family members must register in advance with the DNR before obtaining free wild turkey hunting licenses. See p. 22 for details.
- The three state forest zones and their license quotas have been eliminated for resident hunters. All paid licenses will be valid statewide.
- The daily bag limit has been increased to 1 bearded or male turkey per license with unfilled transportation tag. The season bag limit remains 1 bearded or male turkey per license. See p. 39.

obtained (2 paid or 1 paid and one landowner tenant), at least one must be for Season 4.

If one combination gun/bow and 1 Archery-only license are obtained (2 paid or 1 paid and 1 landowner-tenant), the combination gun/bow license must be for season 4.

Youth Turkey Hunting Season (Residents Only)

Hunters younger than 16 years old on the day they purchase a license may participate in the Youth Turkey Season. The Youth Wild Turkey License will cost \$23 and will be a combination gun/bow license valid statewide. The youth does not have to have a Hunting License or have completed a hunter education course in order to participate. Hunters with a Youth Season License may also purchase any statewide Archery-only License or Gun/bow License available to other hunters.

Youth hunters must be under the direct supervision of an adult mentor while hunting during the Youth Season. The mentor must have a valid Wild Turkey License for one of the spring seasons, a valid Hunting License, and have paid the Habitat Fee if the adult is normally required to have them to hunt. The mentor must not carry a bow or firearm and must be in the direct company of the youth at all times. There may be no more than one youth with each properly licensed adult mentor. The youth and mentor must comply with all spring turkey hunting regulations.

A youth who resides with and is a member of a family of a landowner or tenant who is eligible for a Landowner-Tenant Wild Turkey Hunting License may obtain a Landowner-Tenant License for the Youth Season. The Landowner-Tenant Youth License will count as the one Landowner-Tenant Wild Turkey Hunting License the landowner or tenant family is entitled to for the spring turkey seasons.

Youth Hunters may obtain one additional gun/bow license for Season 4, or one archery only license. Hunters that are eligible for the Youth Season, but choose not to participate, may obtain two licenses for the regular spring turkey seasons like any other hunter.

How to Purchase Resident Licenses

All resident spring turkey hunting licenses may be purchased at your local ELSI agent, or ordered online at www.iowadnr.com or through the telephone

ordering system at 1-800-367-1188. Licenses go on sale Dec. 15, 2006 and are sold through the last day of each season.

Online and telephone sales are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week when turkey licenses are on sale. Online and telephone orders will end 10 days before the start of each season to allow time for delivery of licenses. Hunters may not go turkey hunting until the license and transportation tag is in their possession.

License fees may be charged to a MasterCard or Visa or paid by electronic check (the electronic check process will be explained when you purchase your license). ATM cards are not accepted. A nonrefundable convenience fee will be added to all telephone and online orders. All sales are final, no refunds are allowed.

Callers should be prepared to provide name, address, phone number, season and zone choice, credit card number or blank check, and either social security number (see social security statement beginning on p. 5), Iowa driver's license or non-operator's identification number, or their IDNR number from a previous ELSI license purchase. Hunters required to have hunter education certification and who have not previously purchased through ELSI may be asked to FAX a copy of their hunter safety card or letter to the telephone order center before calling the toll free number to purchase a license. The FAX number is 615-263-4271.

SPECIAL REGULATIONS THAT APPLY TO SPRING TURKEY HUNTING

See p. 40.

NONRESIDENT SPRING TURKEY HUNTING INFORMATION

2007 HUNTING SEASON DATES

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| Season 1 | April 16 - 19 |
| Season 2 | (CLOSED) Iowa Residents Only |
| Season 3 | April 25 - May 1 |
| Season 4 | May 2 - 20 |

Areas Closed to Nonresidents

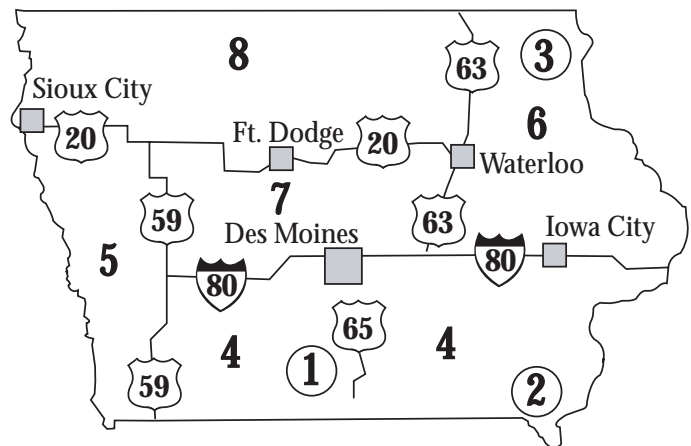
Zone 1: All units of Stephens State Forest west U.S. Hwy. 65 in Lucas and Clarke counties

Zone 2: All units of Shimek State Forest

Zone 3: All units of Yellow River State Forest in Allamakee County only

All Zones in Season 2

2007 Nonresident Spring Turkey Zones



License Quotas: Combination Gun/Bow

(Number in parenthesis is number of applications received in 2006)

| | <u>Zone 4</u> | <u>Zone 5</u> | <u>Zone 6</u> | <u>Zone 7</u> | <u>Zone 8</u> |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Season 1 | 350 (395) | 75 (64) | 220 (148) | 46 (22) | 25 (5) |
| Season 2 | Closed to Nonresidents | | | | |
| Season 3 | 350 (483) | 75 (80) | 220 (203) | 46 (25) | 25 (16) |
| Season 4 | 350 (511) | 75 (91) | 220 (233) | 46 (21) | 25 (21) |

Muzzleloading Shotgun-only licenses: 150 statewide

NEW FOR 2007

- All hunters who shoot a turkey must report the harvest through the DNR's new Harvest Reporting System. Hunters that do not shoot a turkey do not report. See "Harvest Reporting" on p. 21 for details.

Nonresident License Types

Nonresidents may obtain one Spring Turkey License. Two types of licenses are issued:

Combination Gun/bow Licenses are issued by zone and season and are valid only in the zone and season selected by the hunter at the time of purchase. A maximum of 2,148 licenses is available for 2007. Licenses are issued by a random drawing from a pool of applicants for each zone and season. Shotguns, muzzleloading shotguns, and bows may be used.

Muzzleloading Shotgun-only Licenses are issued by zone and season from a statewide pool of 150 licenses. Hunters may select any zone and season, but must hunt only in that zone and season. Only muzzleloading shotguns may be used.

HOW TO PURCHASE NONRESIDENT LICENSES

Telephone and Internet Orders Only

Applications for nonresident Spring Wild Turkey Hunting Licenses must be purchased online at www.iowadnr.com or through the ELSI telephone ordering system at 800-367-1188. Applications may be purchased 24 hours a day, 7 days a week from **Dec. 15, 2006**, through **Jan. 28, 2007**. A nonrefundable application fee will be added to all telephone and online orders. The application and license fees may be charged to a MasterCard, Visa, Discover or paid by electronic check (the electronic check process will be explained when you apply). ATM cards are not accepted.

If applications are sold in excess of the license quota for any zone and season, a drawing will be held to determine which applicants receive licenses. Licenses or license fee refunds will be mailed to unsuccessful applicants 6 to 8 weeks after the drawing is complete. License agent writing fees, department administrative fees, and Internet and telephone application fees will not be refunded.

If any license quota has not been filled, the excess licenses will be sold online or through the

telephone ordering system beginning **6 a.m. Feb. 10, 2007**, until the quotas are filled or the last day of the respective season, whichever comes first. Hunters may determine their drawing status through the DNR's website at www.iowadnr.com/wildlife/. Please do not call the DNR. Your drawing status will not be provided over the phone.

Individual or Group Applications

Hunters may apply individually or as a group of up to 15 applicants, with one member identified as the group leader. Members of a group must apply separately. The group leader should apply first and obtain a DNR customer identification number (ID#). Then each member of the group must submit the group leader's ID# when applying. **If there is a drawing, all members of the group will be assigned the preference point (s) of the member with the fewest points.** All members of a group will be accepted or rejected together in the drawing. Members of a group that are rejected may purchase excess licenses individually if any are available.

Preference Points

If you are unsuccessful in the drawing, you will be assigned one preference point. An additional preference point will be assigned each year you apply but are denied a license. Preference points will not accrue in a year in which you fail to apply, but you will retain all preference points earned in previous years. Once you receive a Spring Turkey Hunting License, either through the drawing or by purchasing an excess license, your preference points will be removed. Preference points may be used in

any zone or season. The first license drawing each year will be made from the pool of applicants with the greatest number of preference points.

To Expedite Your Application...

Fill out the applicant information on below, select your zone and season, and have your personal identification number (social security number or IDNR ID# from a previous ELSI purchase) and your credit card or blank check ready when you call. Hunters required to have hunter education certification and who have not previously bought a license through ELSI may be required to FAX a copy of their hunter education certification card or letter to the telephone order center before calling the toll free number to apply. The FAX number is 615-263-4271. The license ordering number is 800-367-1188.

Include the **Applicant Information** on bottom of page.

SPECIAL HUNTING REGULATIONS THAT APPLY TO ALL TURKEY HUNTERS

"General Hunting Regulations" may also apply to turkey hunters. See p. 12 - 14.

Legal Weapons

■ **Resident Archery-only License (Spring and Fall):** Longbows, recurve bows, and compound bows are permitted. No explosive or chemical devices may be attached to the arrow or broadhead. Blunthead arrows with a minimum diameter of 9/16 inch may also be used. Arrows must be at least 18 inches long.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

This aids in the phone order process — DO NOT MAIL

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| Zone Number | <input type="checkbox"/> | Comb. Gun/Bow | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Season Number | <input type="checkbox"/> | Muzzleloading Shotgun-Only | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____
 State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____
 Hgt. _____ Wgt. _____ Eyes _____ Gender _____

Date of Birth _____
**Group Leader's
 IDNR Customer
 Number (if applicable)** _____
**Your Social Security or
 IDNR Customer Number** _____

Crossbows are not legal, except that a physically disabled person incapable of shooting a bow may obtain a permit from the DNR to use a crossbow (see p. 12). Applications are available at www.iowadnr.com under the “Licenses” section or by calling the DNR at 515-281-5918.

■ **Resident and Nonresident Gun/bow License (Spring and Fall):** Archery equipment as defined above, and 10-, 12-, 16-, and 20-gauge shotguns or muzzleloading shotguns shooting number 4, 5, 6, 7 1/2 or 8 lead or nontoxic shot. Number 2 or 3 nontoxic shot may also be used. Hunters may not have shot sizes other than those listed above on their person while hunting turkeys. **Muzzleloading rifles may not be used to hunt turkeys.**

■ **Nonresident Muzzleloading Shotgun-only License (Spring Only):** Muzzleloading shotguns shooting number 4, 5, 6, 7 1/2 or 8 lead or nontoxic shot. Number 2 or 3 nontoxic shot may also be used. Hunters may not have shot sizes other than those listed above on their person while hunting turkeys. **Muzzleloading rifles may not be used to hunt Turkeys.**

Tagging Requirements

Turkey hunters must shoot and tag their own turkey and may not tag a turkey shot by another hunter.

Immediately upon killing a turkey the date of kill must be filled out on the transportation tag issued with the license. The transportation tag must be attached to one leg of the turkey in such a manner that it cannot be removed without mutilating or destroying the tag. The tag must be attached before the carcass can be moved in any manner from the place of kill. The leg that bears the tag must be attached to the carcass when the turkey is being transported within the state during any wild turkey hunting season. The tag shall be proof of possession of the carcass by the licensee. The transportation tag must remain attached to the leg until the turkey is processed for consumption.

Reporting Requirements

All harvested turkeys must be reported. A confirmation number supplied by the Harvest Reporting System must be written on the turkey tag after the

animal is reported. See “Harvest Reporting” on p. 21.

Daily Bag and Season Possession Limit

Fall Season: one wild turkey of either sex for each valid license and unfilled transportation tag issued to the hunter.

Spring Season: One bearded or male wild turkey per license and unfilled transportation tag issued to the hunter.

Prohibited Devices and Activities

You may not use live decoys, dogs (see p. 37 for exception), horses, radios, motorized vehicles, aircraft, bait, recorded or electronically amplified turkey calls or electronically amplified imitations of turkey calls or sounds when hunting turkeys. Paraplegics and single- or double-leg amputees may hunt from any stationary motor-driven conveyance. “Paraplegic” means an individual afflicted with paralysis of the lower half of the body with the involvement of both legs, usually due to disease or injury to the spinal cord.

“**Bait**” means grain, fruit, vegetables, nuts, hay, salt, mineral blocks, or any other natural food materials, commercial products containing natural food materials, or by-products of such materials transported to or placed in an area for the purpose of attracting wildlife. Bait does not include food placed during normal agricultural activities.

Helping Other Hunters

A **resident** hunter with a valid spring turkey hunting license for any season may assist other hunters in any season. A **nonresident** may assist other hunters only in the zone and season indicated on their license. The hunter doing the assisting may not carry a shotgun or bow or shoot a turkey unless he or she has a valid license and an unfilled transportation tag for that zone and season.

Tree Stands

You may not construct a permanent tree stand on state public hunting areas. You may not drive or in any other way place any nail, spike, pin, or any other metal object into a tree on state public hunting areas to construct a blind or to provide hunting access to a location above the ground.

Tree stands may be left on a state public hunting area from 7 days prior to the start of fall turkey season until 7 days after the final day of the season.