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Spring Turkey Season Set, Apply Online

The North Dakota Game and Fish Department is offering 5,815 wild turkey licenses for the spring hunting season, the same as last year.

Five of the 22 hunting units have slightly more spring licenses than in 2015, two have fewer and 15 remain the same. Unit 21 (Hettinger and Adams counties) is again closed in 2016 due to lack of turkeys in the unit.

Successful spring turkey applicants must purchase a 2016-17 hunting license, as last year's 2015-16 licenses expire March 31. In addition to the spring turkey license, hunters must have a fishing, hunting and furbearer certificate, and a general game and habitat license. Also, hunters ages 16 and older must possess a small game license, or combination license.

First-time spring turkey hunters ages 15 or younger are eligible to receive one spring license valid for the regular hunting season in a specific unit. To be eligible, the youth hunter must be 15 or younger on opening day of spring turkey season, and have never received a spring turkey license in North Dakota.

Spring turkey applicants can [apply online](#) at the Game and Fish Department website, gf.nd.gov. Applications can also be submitted by calling 800-406-6409.

Application forms will also be available by Feb. 3 at most license vendors, county auditors and Game and Fish offices. The deadline for applying is Feb. 10. Online or phone applications must be logged before midnight that day.

Spring turkey licenses are available only to North Dakota residents. The spring turkey season opens April 9 and continues through May 15.