

# HOW TO APPLY FOR A NON-RESIDENT ELK HUNTING LICENSE IN MONTANA

**CLICK ON THE LINK TO  
APPLY AT THE MONTANA  
FISH WILDLIFE AND  
PARKS WEBSITE:**

<https://ols.fwp.mt.gov/>


# STEP 1

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- Click on
- “I AM A NONRESIDENT”



CLICK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING BUTTONS THAT DESCRIBES YOU →

Things you should know before getting a license 

Click the **I am a Resident** button if you are Montana resident.

**I AM A RESIDENT >**

Click the **I am a Nonresident** button if you are **not** a resident of Montana.

**I AM A NONRESIDENT >**

Click the **Nonresident Active Military** button if you are a nonresident or the spouse or dependent of a nonresident **STATIONED IN MONTANA** for at least 30 days.

**NONRESIDENT ACTIVE MILITARY >**

Click the **Native Montanan** button if you are a nonresident born in Montana with immediate family still residing in Montana and do not have the **QUALIFIED NR NATIVE MT** certification for the current license year.

**NATIVE MONTANAN >**

# STEP 2

- If you have never applied for a license in Montana you will need to click on “I DO NOT HAVE AN ALS”. It will assign one to you.
- If you don't remember what your ALS # is you can retrieve that by clicking on “I CAN'T REMEMBER MY ALS#” You can find your ALS number located at the top of any previous license/permit. The number is identified by your date of birth, followed by a dash and up to three digits.

### IDENTIFY NONRESIDENT

If you have an assigned ALS number, enter your information in the below fields. If you are not sure whether or not you have an ALS number, click on the "I Can't Remember My ALS#" button to look up your information. If you are certain you do not have an ALS number, click on the "I do not have an ALS#" button.

*\* denotes required field*

First Name \*

Last Name \*

Date of Birth \*                      ALS # \*

mm/dd/yyyy                      -                     

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### IMPORTANT!

If you purchased a license since January 1, 2002, you should have been assigned an ALS number that is printed on your license.

Example: 02/30/1960-22

**Failure to use your assigned ALS number may result in a loss of previously accumulated bonus points.**

If you do not have a lifetime ALS number, the system will assign a number to you. Look for your lifetime ALS number on the temporary license generated at the end of this transaction.

[I CAN'T REMEMBER MY ALS# ⓘ](#)

[I DO NOT HAVE AN ALS# ⓘ](#)

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# STEP 3

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- SELECT "ACCEPT"

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

All Statements on this application are true and correct.

I understand that if I subscribe to any false statements in this application I am in violation of MCA 87-6-302.

By clicking the "Accept" button below, you are signing this form electronically.

(**Note:** if you cancel, you will be unable to complete this transaction.)

ACCEPT ✓

CANCEL ✕

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- Select from the dropdown list the year which you are applying for.

**SELECT THE LICENSE YEAR**

License years run from March 1st of one year through the end of February of the following year. For example, license year 2025 runs from March 01, 2025 through February 28, 2026.

*\* denotes required field*

License Year \*

-- Select One --

-- Select One --

2025

2024

# STEP 5

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- You may or may not get this screen.
- Just “CONTINUE” on.

**SELECT ITEMS OPTIONS - LICENSE YEAR 2024**

Our records indicate you purchased items last license year, would you like to:

**START A NEW ORDER:** Choose from all available items for this license year

**BUY ITEMS AGAIN:** Review what you purchased last year to preselect items

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# STEP 6

- Click on the categories option on the left side for "HUNTING".

SELECT ITEMS FOR LICENSE YEAR 2024

Below are the categories of items currently available. Click a category to see the items available in a certain category. To see all items available, click the View All category listed at the top. Next, check the box associated with each item you wish to purchase. When finished, click the Continue button to proceed.

### CATEGORIES

- VIEW ALL
- FEATURED
- PREREQUISITE
- RECREATION
- FISHING
- HUNTING**
- TRIBAL
- DONATION
- MONTANA OUTDOORS MAGAZINE
- COMMERCIAL USE
- COMMERCIAL WILDLIFE

### HUNTING ITEMS

#### LICENSES

<input type="checkbox"/> BIGHORN SHEEP LICENSE - UNLIMITED	\$1,250.00
<input type="checkbox"/> BLACK BEAR LICENSE	\$350.00
<input type="checkbox"/> LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER LICENSE	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> MIGRATORY BIRD LICENSE	\$150.00
<input type="checkbox"/> TURKEY LICENSE	\$115.00
<input type="checkbox"/> TURKEY LICENSE - REGIONAL	\$115.00
<input type="checkbox"/> UPLAND GAME BIRD LICENSE - SEASON	\$110.00
<input type="checkbox"/> UPLAND GAME BIRD LICENSE - THREE DAY	\$50.00
<input type="checkbox"/> UPLAND GAME BIRD LICENSE - THREE DAY - SHOOTING PRESERVE	\$20.00

#### COMBINATION APPLICATIONS

<input type="checkbox"/> BIG GAME COMBO - COME HOME TO HUNT	\$621.00
<input type="checkbox"/> BIG GAME COMBO - GENERAL	\$1,242.00
<input type="checkbox"/> DEER COMBO - COME HOME TO HUNT	\$362.00
<input type="checkbox"/> DEER COMBO - GENERAL	\$724.00
<input type="checkbox"/> DEER COMBO - LANDOWNER SPONSOR	\$724.00
<input type="checkbox"/> ELK COMBO - COME HOME TO HUNT	\$524.00
<input type="checkbox"/> ELK COMBO - GENERAL	\$1,048.00

#### APPLICATIONS

<input type="checkbox"/> ANTELOPE B LICENSE	\$200.00
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTELOPE LICENSE	\$200.00
<input type="checkbox"/> ANTELOPE LICENSE - ARCHERY ONLY	\$200.00
<input type="checkbox"/> BIGHORN SHEEP LICENSE	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> BISON LICENSE	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> DEER B LICENSE	\$75.00
<input type="checkbox"/> DEER PERMIT	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> ELK B LICENSE	\$270.00
<input type="checkbox"/> ELK PERMIT	\$4.00
<input type="checkbox"/> HOUND LICENSE - SPRING	\$250.00
<input type="checkbox"/> MOOSE LICENSE	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> MOUNTAIN GOAT LICENSE	\$0.00

#### SUPER TAG

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- Select the licenses you would like to apply for.
- The “BIG GAME COMBO” will include both ELK AND DEER.
- The “ELK COMBO” is ELK only.
- The “DEER COMBO” is DEER only. (Which we do not do.)
- Then click on “CONTINUE” at the bottom of the screen.

COMBINATION APPLICATIONS	
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**IMPORTANT NOTE: Once you apply for a hunting license (e.g., for deer), you cannot go back and apply for a different one (e.g., elk) later. Make sure to select all the licenses you want to apply for in your initial submission, as changes or additions CANNOT be made after submission.**

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- This screen is only used if you are applying for just an Elk Cow Tag, (e.g. shoulder season).
- Then click on “CONTINUE” at the bottom of the screen.

APPLICATIONS		⊖
<input type="checkbox"/>	ANTELOPE B LICENSE ⓘ	\$200.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	ANTELOPE LICENSE ⓘ	\$200.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	ANTELOPE LICENSE - ARCHERY ONLY ⓘ	\$200.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	BIGHORN SHEEP LICENSE ⓘ	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	BISON LICENSE ⓘ	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	DEER B LICENSE ⓘ	\$75.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	DEER PERMIT ⓘ	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>ELK B LICENSE ⓘ</b>	<b>\$270.00</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	ELK PERMIT ⓘ	\$4.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	HOUND LICENSE - SPRING ⓘ	\$250.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	MOOSE LICENSE ⓘ	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	MOUNTAIN GOAT LICENSE ⓘ	\$0.00

# STEP 9

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- If you haven't purchased a conservation for the current year, it will make you, it is required with all licenses.
- The same goes for later on you'll see the AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES PREVENTION PASS, that they make you have.

ELK COMBO - GENERAL requires:

CONSERVATION LICENSE ⓘ

*CONSERVATION LICENSE WITHOUT SEARCH AND RESCUE DONATION* ⓘ

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- *The following screen is in 4 steps.*
- If you are applying as a party select “YES” from the dropdown. It will then ask you if you are the 1<sup>st</sup> person in your party to apply or who applied before you.
  - The 1<sup>st</sup> person will be given a code/number for the others in the party to use.
- If you are not applying as a part select “NO” from the dropdown.

## ELK COMBO - GENERAL FOR LICENSE YEAR 2024

*Additional Information Required*

*\* denotes required field*

Apply as a party? \*

- Select One --
- Yes
- No

### **About Preference and Outfitter Endorsed Points:**

Preference points give an applicant priority in the drawing. When applying for a combination license, you may purchase a preference point for \$100. If you elect to hunt with a licensed outfitter, you may purchase an added Outfitter Endorsed preference point (OEP) for an additional \$100. Licenses issued using the OEP are **ONLY** valid when hunting with an outfitter.

You currently have a total of **0** point(s)

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

- No applicant may hold more than a total of 3 preference points (including OEPs) at the time of application.
- If you hold two regular preference points and one OEP and DO NOT elect to hunt only with an outfitter, your OEP will not be considered in the drawing. You will not be given the opportunity to purchase a regular preference point, and you will be entered in the drawing with two preference points.
- If you purchase an OEP in the current year and are unsuccessful in this year's drawing, your OEP will only be considered in next year's drawing if you agree to hunt with an outfitter again next year. If you do not agree to hunt with an outfitter, your OEP will be forfeited.
- If you do not apply for a nonresident combination license in consecutive years, any and all accumulated preference points will be forfeited and your accumulated preference points are reset to zero.

Are you going to hunt with an outfitter? \*

Purchase Preference Point? \*

Purchase Outfitter Endorsed Point?

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- Select “YES” on your going with an outfitter, you are purchasing a preference point and you are purchasing outfitter endorsed point.

To use the endorsed point you have to provide this Outfitter information.

Outfitter Name with whom you will be hunting with: \*

Anchor P Outfitters

Outfitter ID with whom you will be hunting with: \*

8160

- I am not applying for an elk permit.
- If successful in drawing a Big Game Combination or Elk Combination license and unsuccessful in drawing a special elk permit, I wish to retain my Big Game Combination or Elk Combination license and understand that I have a "General" elk license and can hunt elk in Montana following the regulations for General Elk. (Big Game Combinations include general Elk and Deer licenses)
- If successful in drawing a Big Game or Elk Combination license and unsuccessful in drawing a special elk permit, I wish to receive an 80% refund of the license.

If unsuccessful in the drawing, do you want to donate your refund to Block management? \*

No

*If YES is selected then the full amount of money that would be refunded will be redirected to the Block Management Program, if NO the refund will be mailed out as normal.*

## STEP 12

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- Fill out as shown the portion for us.

# STEP 13

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT OUR DEER AND ELK HUNTING LICENSES? CHECK ALL THAT APPLY.

- FACEBOOK/TWITTER
- FAMILY/FRIEND
- FWP WEBSITE
- GOOGLE OR OTHER WEBSITE
- NEWSPAPER OR MAGAZINE
- OUTFITTER
- RADIO
- SPORTSMEN'S SHOW OR EXPO
- TELEVISION
- OTHER

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- Finish filling out the bottom portion of this screen and select “CONTINUE”.

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- “CONTINUE”

## WOLF MITIGATION DONATION

Donations will be used by the Montana Department of Livestock to contract for wolfmanagement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Wildlife Services for flight time,collaring and lethal control of wolves.

*Additional Information Required*

*\* denotes required field*

Would you like to contribute to the WOLF MITIGATION DONATION program? \*

No

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# STEP 15

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- Pick whatever you want to do here. Then select “CONTINUE”.

## HUNTERS AGAINST HUNGER DONATION

Donations to this program help cover the cost of processing and distributing the meat that hunters donate to feed hungry Montanans. There will be no cost or processing fees to hunters who drop meat off at participating processors.

*Additional Information Required*

*\* denotes required field*

Would you like to contribute to the HUNTERS AGAINST HUNGER DONATION program? \*

Yes

Donation Amount (min. \$1.00) \*

\$ 0.00

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- If it all looks good select “CONTINUE”.

## SELECTED ITEMS REVIEW - LICENSE YEAR 2024

### Below are the items selected.

To add or remove items click the "Edit Items" button. Click the "Continue" button to proceed.

1 CONSERVATION LICENSE WITHOUT SEARCH AND RESCUE DONATION

1 ELK COMBO - GENERAL

**+ The following item(s) were added to your selection because they are required prerequisite items for other items you have selected:**

1 AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES PREVENTION PASS

1 BASE HUNTING LICENSE

1 OUTFITTER ENDORSED POINT

CONTINUE →

EDIT ITEMS

# STEP 17

- From this screen on it's payment information, and you will just fill out that information and keep clicking on "CONTINUE" when you're done.
- At the end when you submit it should send to your email a verification.

## VERIFY SHOPPING CART FOR LICENSE YEAR 2024

### Below are the items selected.

To add or remove items click the "Edit Items" button. Click the "Continue" button to proceed.

Item	Cost
1 CONSERVATION LICENSE WITHOUT SEARCH AND RESCUE DONATION (03/01/2024 - 02/28/2025)	\$9.75
1 ELK COMBO - GENERAL (03/01/2024 - 02/28/2025)	\$1,048.00
PREFERENCE POINT	\$100.00
1 BASE HUNTING LICENSE (03/01/2024 - 02/28/2025)	\$15.00
1 AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES PREVENTION PASS (03/01/2024 - 02/28/2025)	\$7.50
1 OUTFITTER ENDORSED POINT (03/01/2024 - 02/28/2025)	\$100.00
Application Fee	\$5.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,285.25</b>

CONTINUE →

EDIT ITEMS



HOPE THIS WAS HELPFUL!!

Crossing our fingers you draw! --Anchor P