SISSETON WAHPETON OYATE 2023





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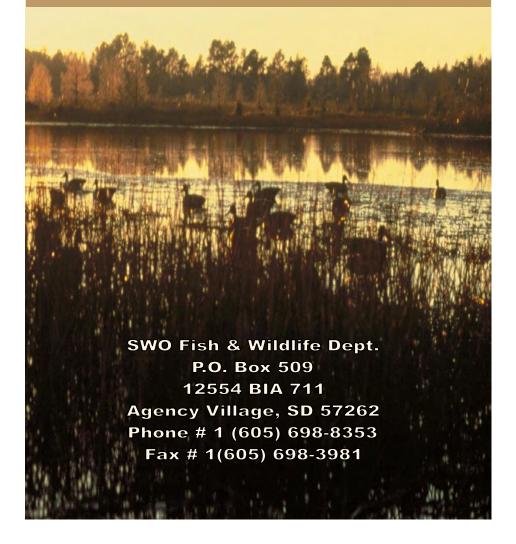


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2023 SISSETON WAHPETON OYATE HUNTING SEASONS

	TRIBAL MEMBER	INDIAN NON-MEM.	NON INDIAN
SMALL GAME (Rabbits, Squirrels)	09/01/2023-02/29/2024	09/01/2023-02/29/2024	09/01/2023-02/29/2024
YOUTH PHEASANT	09/16/2023-10/08/2023	09/23/2023-09/30/2024	09/30/2023-10/08/2023
PHEASANT	10/07/2023-01/31/2024	10/14/2023-01/31/2024	10/21/2023-01/31/2024
DOVE	09/01/2023-11/09/2023	09/01/2023-11/09/2023	09/01/2023-11/09/2023
PARTRIDGE	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
GROUSE	09/02/2023-01/07/2024	09/09/2023-01/07/2024	09/16/2023-01/07/2024
MUSKRAT,BEAVER	11/01/2023-04/30/2023	11/01/2023-04/30/2024	11/01/2023-04/30/2024
MINK,WEASEL	11/01/2023-01/31/2024	11//01/2023-01/31/2024	11/01/2023-01/31/2024
OTHER FURBEARER	Year Round	Year Round	Year Round
YOUTH WATERFOWL	09/09/2023-09/10/2023	09/09/2023-09/10/2023	09/09/2023-09/10/2023
DUCKS	09/23/2023-12/05/2023	09/23/2023-12/05/2023	09/23/2023-12/05/2023
CANADA GEESE	09/01/2023-12/16/2023	09/01/2023-12/16/2023	09/01/2023-12/16/2023
RIFLE DEER	11/04/2023-12/10/2023	11/11/2023-12/03-/2023	11/18/2023-12/03/2023
YOUTH RIFLE	09/02/2023-01/07/2024	09/09/2023-12/31/2023	09/16/2023-12/31/2023
ARCHERY	09/02/2023-12/31/2023	09/16/2023-12/31/2023	10/01/2023-12/31/2023
BLACK POWDER	11/04/2023-12/31/2023	11/25/2023-12/31/2023	12/01/2023-12/31/2023
FALL TURKEY	10/01/2023-01/31/2024	10/14/2023-01/31/2024	11/01/2023-01/31/2024
MOOSE	09/01/2023-01/31/2024	TRIBAL MEMBERS ONLY	TRIBAL MEMBERS ONLY

2023 SISSETON WAHPETON OYATE HUNTING FEES

	TRIBAL MEMBER	INDIAN NON- MEMBER	NON-INDIAN	TRIBAL MEM.	NON-MEM. YOUTH	AFFILIATE
SURCHARGE	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00
SPORTSMAN	\$25.00	N/A	N/A	FREE	N/A	N/A
SMALL GAME (Rabbits,Squirrels)	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$20.00	FREE	\$5.00	\$10.00
FISHING	\$10.00	\$17.00	\$17.00	FREE	FREE	\$8.50
PHEASANT	\$5.00	\$50,00	\$125.00	FREE	\$25.00	\$60.00
DOVE	Incl./Upland or Sp.Man	\$5.00	\$5.00	FREE	\$5.00	\$5.00
GROUSE	\$10.00	\$50.00	\$105.00	FREE	\$15.00	\$50.00
FURBEARER	\$5.00	\$15.00	\$120.00	FREE	\$5.00	\$60.00
COYOTE	Included w/Furbearer	\$5.00	\$50.00	FREE	\$5.00	\$25.00
WATERFOWL	\$10.00	\$25.00	\$150.00	FREE	\$25.00	\$75.00
RIFLE DEER	Any Deer \$25.00 Antierless \$20.00 Elder \$10.00	\$275,00	\$300.00	NA	Reg Fees	\$150.00
YOUTH RIFLE	N/A	N/A	\$30.00	\$10.00	\$20.00	N/A
ARCHERY	\$20.00	\$195.00	\$250.00	Reg. Fees	Reg. Fees	\$125.00
BLACK POWDER	\$15,00	\$175.00	\$200.00	Reg. Fees	Reg. Fees	\$100.00
FALL TURKEY	\$10.00	\$25.00	\$50.00	Reg. Fees	Reg Fees	\$25.00

Ages 12 - 15 yrs eligible for youth prices w/ HSC

Juveniles ages 16 yrs & up pay regular fees.

General Laws and Regulations

Tribal licenses are valid on Tribal & Trust lands only. They are not valid on SDGFP Game

Production Areas, Walk-In Areas or Waterfowl Production Areas.

No license may be refunded or transferred after being issued.

No one may discharge firearms within 660 feet of any occupied dwelling, school or any public establishment or where livestock are present without the express written permission of owner or occupant.

No person shall scare, chase, harass, disperse, rally or otherwise disturb any wildlife by means other than by legal hunting methods and in the ordinary course of hunting.

No more than (20) twenty persons shall cooperate as a group in hunting.

Youth 12 thru 15 years of age must possess a hunter safety card or certification of completion from a hunter safety course prior to acquiring any tribal hunting license.

No one may wantonly waste any game.

No person shall abandon edible portions of fish or wildlife at a meat processing plant. The leaving of edible portions of fish or wildlife at a processing plant of more than ninety (90) days shall be considered prima facie evidence of a violation. The owner(s) or operator(s) in charge of any meat processing plant shall report the violation to the Tribal Fish and Wildlife Department.

Non-Indian big game deer and turkey license will be determined through a lottery system. Tribal Member and Indian Non Member big game licenses are available on a first come first serve basis.

The sportsman license available to SWO Tribal Members only grants the same privileges as any other SWO license. It does not include any big game license (deer or turkey). Big Game license must be purchased individually.

Big Game licenses are issued through the Tribal Fish & Wildlife Office only. All other licenses are available at the Dakota Connection C Store, Agency C Store and online site.

Federal Lacey Act. No person may transport wildlife that has been taken unlawfully on the Lake Traverse Reservation to another state.

INSPECTION: Any motor vehicle, camper or trailer may be stopped for such inspection and count at the request of any person authorized to enforce the game & fish laws of the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate. You may not refuse inspection and count of game or inspection of firearm.

No person shall deface, mutilate, shoot at, tear, pull down or destroy any sign on the reservation.

No person shall cut, run through, tear out, take down, and leave down any fence. Nor leave any gates open or in any way destroy gates or fences on the reservation.

No person may intentionally interfere with another person lawfully engaged in taking or attempting to take game or fish. No person may scare or disturb game with specific intent to prevent its lawful taking.

It shall be unlawful for any person to chase, drive, harass, or hunt any wildlife with or from a motorized vehicle (automobile, snowmobile, ATV, etc.).

General Laws and Regulations

It shall be unlawful to have any loaded firearm in a vehicle/recreation vehicle, except while sitting still and hunting from a boat.

No person(s) Indian or Non-Indian are allowed to hunt on the posted special management areas on Tribal Trust Land.

No hunting allowed on Lake Traverse Reservation trust lands on the North Dakota side unless a special license is acquired from the SWO Fish & Wildlife Department through a separate application process. These special licenses are available on a first come basis. They are limited licenses exclusive for North Dakota Trust lands only.

North Dakota Trust land seasons differ from South Dakota Trust land seasons. Refer to North Dakota Trust Land Season as indicated on page 29.

Non member tribally licensed waterfowl hunters are not allowed to hunt from boats on waters the State of South Dakota deems to be meandered waters. Check with the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate Fish & Wildlife Department prior to hunting from a boat to ensure they are allowed on that particular body of water.

It is illegal to use an auto-loading or self-loading firearm capable of holding more than six cartridges or capable of being operated as a full automatic.

Persons illegally taking, killing or possessing any species of fish or wildlife shall be liable for a civil liability to the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate.

If a person is convicted of violating any law or regulation pertaining to fishing, hunting, or possessing fish or wildlife without a license or during closed season, the court may revoke the persons hunting, trapping or fishing privileges for a period of one or more years.

Hunting or fishing violations on tribal trust lands that violate Tribal Game & Fish laws may also result in a Federal violation.

No person shall send or receive a message by radio or any other wireless means of communication while in or on a motor vehicle for the purpose of hunting any wildlife.

No person while in or on a motor vehicle or a conveyance attached to it shall discharge any firearm at any wildlife while on a public road or a field.

In the Tribal Atlas's that are available for purchase, private Indian owned properties are color coded in yellow and the Tribal owned land are color coded in red. SWO hunt/fish licenses are valid on either land with the exception as follows:

No person may hunt, trap or fish any land that is posted by a private individual Indian landowner of such property without express written consent of that individual. If in doubt on a posted or non posted property please check with the SWO Fish & Wildlife Dept. or the Bureau of Indian Affairs at Sisseton Agency.

No game bird may be possessed or transported unless they have one foot, fully feathered head or fully feathered wing attached. Migratory waterfowl must have an attached fully feathered wing or attached head.

Affiliate eligibility: A non member employed by the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate or a nonmember employed by a local tribal government, BIA, IHS or a local federal government which provides services to the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate. Any non member who is enlisted full-time in the US Armed Forces or National Guard is also eligible for affiliate prices.

Protect Our Wildlife Use the POW Hotline To Report Violations



1 (605) 698-8413

Save the **POW** phone number in your phone to report a violation easily and anonymously.

Pheasant (Siyo)

Season Dates:

Members	10/07/23-01/31/24	*Shooting Hours
INM	10/14/23-01/31/24	**Shooting Hours
NI	10/21/23-01/31/24	**Shooting Hours

^{*}Sunrise-Sunset

^{**10:00}am-Sunset

License Required:	PheasantUpland		Sportsman
Members	n/a	X	X
INM	n/a	X	n/a
NI	X	n/a	n/a
Affiliates	n/a	X	n/a
Member Youth 12-15	n/a	X	X
INM Youth 12-15	n/a	X	n/a
NI Youth	X	n/a	n/a

Sportsman & Upland license are valid for hunting the duration of the pheasant, partridge, and dove seasons. Pheasant license are valid for pheasant hunting only for 10 consecutive days or 2 five consecutive day periods. The start dates will begin on the dates you provide and will be printed on your license.

License Prices:	Pheasant	Upland	Sportsman
Members	n/a	\$5.00	\$18.00
INM	n/a	50.00	n/a
NI	\$125.00	n/a	n/a
Affiliates	n/a	\$60.00	n/a
Member Youth 12-15	n/a	Free	Free
INM Youth 12-15	n/a	\$10.00	n/a
NI Youth	\$25.00	n/a	n/a

A \$5.00 surcharge is assessed to all hunters prior to your first 2023 license purchase. Any additional 2023 licenses purchased will not be subject to the surcharge. *Ages 12-15 hunter safety card required. Ages 16+ pay regular fees.*

Licenses Available:

Members Unlimited INM Unlimited NI Unlimited

Bag Limit: Daily Limit

Members, INM (3) Roosters Non-Indian (3) Roosters

Possession Limit:

Members: (15) roosters, taken accordingly to daily limit INM: (15) roosters, taken accordingly to daily limit NI: (15) roosters, taken accordingly to daily limit

Hunter Orange: Hunter orange is required for all upland bird hunters.

Youth Pheasant (Siyo)

This special youth season is for youth ages 12 years to 15 years of age and they must possess a hunter safety card.

Season Dates:

Members	09/16/23-10/08/23	* Shooting Hours
Indian Non-member	09/23/23-09/30/23	** Shooting Hours
Non-Indian	09/30/23-10/08/23	** Shooting Hours

^{*}Sunrise to Sunset

^{**10}am to Sunset

License Required:	Pheasant or	Sportsman or	Upland
Members:	N/A	$\mathbf{X}^{}$	X
Indian Non Member:	N/A	N/A	X
Non-Indian:	X	N/A	N/A

License Fees:	Pheasant or	Sportsman or	Upland
Members:	N/A	Free	Free
Indian Non Member:	N/A	N/A	\$10.00
Non-Indian:	\$25.00	N/A	N/A

Surcharge: A \$5.00 surcharge is assessed to the first 2023 license purchased. Any additional 2023 licenses purchased will not be subject to the surcharge.

This Pheasant License will also validate non-Indian youth for a 10 consecutive day hunt or two 5 consecutive day periods during regular pheasant season. The start date(s) will begin on the date you provide and will be printed on your license. Tribal member and Indian nonmember youth may hunt entire regular pheasant season with upland or sportsman license

Licenses Available: Unlimited

Daily Limit: (3) Three roosters.

Possession Limit: (15) Fifteen, taken accordingly to the daily limit.

Hunter Orange: Hunter orange is required.

Other Requirements: Youth must be 12 to 15 years of age. Youth must be accompanied by an adult (18 or older). Youth must possess a valid Hunter safety card. Hunter and adult must wear hunter orange.

Dove (Tinwakiyena) & Partridge (Siyo)

Dove: Migratory Game Bird. Federal migratory laws apply.

Season Dates: 09/01/23-11/09/23

No. Licenses Available Unlimited
Daily limit: (15) Fifteen
Possession limit: (45) Forty-five

Shooting Hours: ½ hour before sunrise to sunset

License Required: Upland or Dove only

It is illegal to shoot at a mourning dove not flying or to hunt doves with a shotgun capable of holding more than 3 shells.

Note: The USFWS encourages hunters who harvest banded doves to call 1-800-327-BAND to report the band number and other important information.

Partridge:

No. Licenses Available Unlimited Season Dates: CLOSED

Daily limit: Possession limit:

Shooting Hours: ½ hour after sunrise to ½ hour before sunset

License Required: Upland or Sportsman

License Required:	Upland	Dove	Sportsman
Members	X	n/a	X
INM	X	X	n/a
NI	n/a	X	n/a
Affiliates	X	X	n/a
Member Youth 12-15	X	n/a	X
INM Youth 12-15	X	X	n/a
NI Youth 12-15	n/a	X	n/a

License Fees:	Upland	Dove	Sportsman
Members	\$5.00	n/a	\$18.00
INM	\$5.00	\$5.00	n/a
NI	n/a	\$5.00	n/a
Affiliates	\$5.00	\$5.00	n/a
Member Youth 12-15	Free	n/a	Free
INM Youth 12-15	\$5.00	\$5.00	n/a
NI Youth 12-15	n/a	\$5.00	n/a

Ages 12-15 Hunter safety card required. Ages 16+ pay regular fees.

Surcharge: A \$5.00 surcharge is assessed to the first 2023 license purchase. Any additional 2023 license purchases will not be subject to the surcharge.

Sportsman & Upland license are valid for hunting the duration of the pheasant and dove seasons. Dove license are valid for dove hunting only throughout the duration of the season

Hunter Orange: Hunter orange is required for all upland bird hunters.

Furbearer

Mink (Doksinca), Muskrat (Sinkpe), Beaver (Capa), Weasel (Hitunkasan), Racoon (Wica), Badger (Hoka), Skunk (Mank), Fox (Sungidan), Coyote (Micaksica)

Season Dates:

Muskrat: 11/01/23-04/30/24 Mink. Weasel: 11/01/23-01/31/24 Year-round

Raccoon, Badger, Skunk, Fox, Beaver and Coyote:

License Required: **Furbearer License**

Members Required Indian Non-member Reauired Required Non-Indian Youth (Ages 12-15) Required Affiliate Reauired

License Fees: **Furbearer License** Covote Only Members \$5.00 N/A Indian Non-Member \$15.00 \$5.00 Non-Indian \$120.00 \$50.00 Youth (Ages 12-15) \$5.00 N/A Affiliate \$60.00 \$25.00

Ages 12-15 hunter safety card required. Ages 16+ pay regular fees.

Surcharge: A \$5.00 surcharge is assessed to the first 2023 license purchase. Any additional 2023 license purchases will not be subject to the surcharge.

Furbearer license includes coyote license. Coyote license may be purchased separately but licenses coyote hunting only.

Licenses Available: Members Unlim-

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Indian Non-Members Unlimited Non-Indian (25)

Bag Limits: Daily Limit No limit Possession Limit No limit

Non Residents: Non residents are not allowed to trap furbearers but are allowed to hunt furbearers.

Trap Checking: Traps including snares must be checked at least every 48 hours, and any animal caught must

Trap Placement: No traps shall be set within (200) two hundred yards of any occupied house or dwelling, community, town, city limits, public use area, picnic area or other places where public gatherings are likely to

Marking Traps: All traps must be marked with the owners name and address.

Trapping Protected Species: If protected species are trapped, the animal shall be left undisturbed, and the Fish & Wildlife department shall be contacted.

Snares: Snares must have a mechanical lock, swivel device on the anchor end, and stop devices to prohibit the restraint loop from closing to a diameter less than 2 ½ inches. Snares must be stationary and cannot be attached to a drag.

Muskrat Houses: No person may destroy a muskrat house, except that in open season a house may be opened in a manner that will not destroy or damage it as a place of habitation.

Muskrat Houses: No trapping in or on muskrat houses after March 15.

No person shall take or attempt to take any wildlife with the aid or use of artificial light, except raccoons after they have been 10

treed with the aid of dogs.

Duck (Magaksica)

Season Dates: 09/23/23-12/05/23

Daily Limit: Ducks: 6 and comprised of no more than:

(5) Mallards (which may include no more than 2 hens),

(1) Scaup,

(3) Wood Ducks, (2) Redheads.

(1) Pintail,

(2) Canvasbacks

(2) Bonus blue-winged teal (first 16 days of season only)

Coots: (15) Fifteen

Possession Limit: 3x the daily bag, no to exceed 18 ducks in total

Shooting Hours: ½ hour before sunrise to sunset

Non-toxic Shot: Hunters may not use or possess lead shot when hunting waterfowl. Steel, bismuth-tin, tungsten-iron, tungsten-polymer, tungsten-matrix, tungsten-

nickel-iron, tungsten-bronze, tungsten-tin-bismuth and tungsten-iron-nickel

(Hevi-shot) are approved non-toxic shot.

License Required: Waterfowl License Federal Stamp Required Members Not Required INM Required Required NI Required Required Youth 12-15 Required Not Required Youth 16+ Required Required

License Fees: Waterfowl License

 Members
 \$10.00

 INM
 \$25.00

 NI
 \$150.00

 Affiliates
 \$75.00

Member youth 12-15 Free

INM Youth 12-15 \$25.00 NI Youth 12-15 \$25.00

Ages 12-15 hunter safety card required. Ages 16+ pay regular fees.

Surcharge: 5.00 surcharge is assessed to the first 2023 license purchase. Any additional 2023 license purchases will not be subject to the surcharge.

Licenses Available: Men

Members Unlimited INM Unlimited NI 500

Non-Indian licenses will be valid for 10 consecutive days or two 5 day periods. The start date(s) will begin on the date you provide and will be printed on your license. Start date may be changed by an SWO F&W licensing agent if the original selected date hasn't started.

Mechanical Decoys: Mechanical decoys are licenseted. This includes wind driven or battery operated.

Peever Slough: Peever slough is a shoreline waterfowl refuge. No hunting within 100 yards of open water.

Federal Migratory Game Bird Laws Apply. For complete text of these regulations, please see Title 50, USCFR, Part 20

Regular Goose (Maga)

Canada Geese

(Includes Canada Geese & Brant)

Season Dates: 09/01/23-12/16/23

Daily Limit:

Possession Limit: 3x the daily limit

White-Fronted Geese

Light Goose Season Dates: 09/30/23-12/12/23 (Includes: Snows, Blue, & Ross) Daily Limit: Season Dates: 09/30/23-01/12/24

Possession Limit: 3x the daily limit Daily Limit: 50 Possession Limit: Unlimited

Shooting Hours: ½ hour before sunrise to sunset

Nontoxic Shot: Hunters may not use or possess lead shot when hunting waterfowl. Steel, bismuth-tin, tungsten-iron, tungsten-polymer, tungsten-matrix, tungsten-nickel-iron, tungstenbronze, tungsten-tin-bismuth and tungsten-iron-nickel-tin (Hevi-Shot) are approved nontoxic shot.

License Required

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Members	Required	Not Required
Indian Non Member	Required	Required
Non-Indian	Required	Required
Youth (Ages 12-15)	Required	Not Required
Youth (Ages 16 & up)	Required	Required
License Fees:		

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Waterfowl License Members \$10.00 Indian Non Member \$25.00 Non-Indian \$150.00 Affiliates \$75.00 Tribal Member Youth (Ages 12 – 15) Free Indian Non Member Youth (Ages 12-15) \$25.00 Non-Indian Youth (Ages 12-15) \$25.00

A \$5.00 surcharge is assessed to all hunters to your first 2023 license purchase. Any additional 2023 licenses purchased will not be subject to the surcharge.

Ages 12-15 hunter safety card required. Ages 16+ pay regular fees.

Licenses Available: Members: Unlimited

> Indian Non Members: Unlimited

Non-Indian: (500) Five hundred

Note: Non-Indian licenses will be valid for 10 consecutive days or two 5 day periods. The start date(s) will begin on the date you provide and will be printed on your license. License Validation: Federal waterfowl stamp does not need to be attached to license but must be signed in ink and carried in possession at all times while hunting. The 2023 Waterfowl license must be signed and carried by licensee at all times while hunting. Also proper ID

Mechanical Decoys: Mechanical decoys are licenseted.

must be in the licensee's possession.

Peever Slough: Peever slough is a shoreline refuge. No hunting within 100 yards of open water.

Federal Migratory Game Bird Laws Apply. For complete text of these regulations, please see Title 50, USCFR, Part 20.

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Sharp-Tail Grouse (Siyo)

Season Dates: Members 09/02/23-01/07/24 (25) Available

INM 09/09/23-01/07/24 (25) Available NI 09/16/23-01/07/24 (25) Available

License Required: Grouse License **Shooting Hours:** Sunrise to Sunset

Bag Limit: Daily limit 3, Possession Limit 15 (any combination) taken according to the daily limit. Limit accrues at the rate of 3 birds; 15 birds may not be possessed until after the fifth day of hunting.

Fees:

Members		\$10.00
INM		\$50.00
NI		\$105.00
Affiliates		\$50.00
Member Youth	(12-15)	Free
INM Youth	(12-15)	\$15.00
NI Youth	(12-15)	\$15.00

Ages 12-15 hunter safety card required. All juveniles ages 16-18 pay regular fees

Surcharge: A \$5.00 surcharge is assessed to the first 2023 license purchase. Any additional 2023 license purchases will not be subject to the surcharge.

Hunter Orange: Hunter orange is required of all upland hunters.

Note: <u>Non Member Grouse licenses are valid for trust lands in Roberts and Marshall County only.</u>

Small Game

Cottontail (Mastincan), Jack Rabbits (Mastinska), and Squirrel (tasnaheca)

Season Dates: 09/01/23-02/29/24

Shooting Hours: ½ hour after sunrise to ½ hour before sunset

License Required:Small GameMembersRequiredINMRequiredNIRequiredYouth 12-15RequiredAffiliateRequired

License Fees: Small Game

 Members
 \$5.00

 INM
 \$10.00

 NI
 \$20.00

 Affiliate
 \$10.00

 Youth (12-15)
 \$5.00

Ages 12-15 are required to possess a hunter safety card. Ages 16+ must pay regular fees.

Surcharge: A \$5.00 surcharge is assessed to the first 2023 license purchase. Any additional 2023 license purchases will not be subject to the surcharge.

Licenses Available:

Members Unlimited INM Unlimited NI Unlimited Affiliates Unlimited Youth Unlimited

Bag Limits:	Cottontail	Jackrabbit	Squirrel
Daily Limit	10	10	5
Possession Limit	30	20	15

Restrictions: Small Game hunters may not accompany Big Game hunters in the same hunting party

Fall Turkey

Season Dates: Tribal Members 10/01/23-01/31/24

Indian Non-Members 10/14/23-01/31/24 Non-Indians 11/01/23-01/31/24

License Required: Turkey License or Licenses

Members Required INM Required NI Required Youth 12-15 Required 16+ Required

License Fees: <u>Turkey License or Licenses</u>

 Members
 \$10.00

 INM
 \$25.00

 NI
 \$50.00

 Affiliates
 \$25.00

Youth 16+ (same as above)

Ages 12-15 hunter safety card required. Ages 16+ pay regular price

Surcharge: A \$5.00 surcharge is assessed to the first 2023 license purchase. Any additional 2023 license purchases will not be subject to the surcharge.

Licenses Available:

Members Unlimited INM (50) Fifty

NI (125) One Hundred Twenty Five

Bag Limit:

Tribal Members (1) Any sex INM (1) Any sex NI (1) Any sex (1) Any sex NI (1) Any sex

Shooting Hours: ½ hour after sunrise to ½ hour before sunset

Methods: Rifle, shotgun or archery may be used.

(Minimum Rifle Caliber-22 Mag.)

Hunter Orange: Hunter orange is optional.

Hunter Report Cards: Hunters must submit a hunter report card within fifteen (15) days after the close of the season. Failure to do so will result in a \$25.00 penalty. May submit in office or online at http://wso.nagfa.net/online.

No turkey may be shot from a tree or roost.

No electronic calls, no bait station, no use of dogs.

Tribal or Trust lands only within the original boundaries.

No one may discharge firearms within 660 feet of any occupied dwelling, school or any public establishment or where livestock are present without the express written permission of owner occupant.

Color Coded Atlases: Hunter atlases are available upon request for \$25.00

Sept. and October Sunrise and Sunset

September 2023

Sisseton, South Dakota, USA

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Rise: 6:49am Set: 8:08pm	2 Rise: 6:50am Set: 8:06pm
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Rise: 6:51am	Rise: 6:52am	Rise: 6:53am	Rise: 6:55am	Rise: 6:56am	Rise: 6:57am	Rise: 6:58am
Set: 8:05pm	Set: 8:03pm	Set: 8:01pm	Set: 7:59pm	Set: 7:57pm	Set: 7:55pm	Set: 7:53pm
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
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October 2023

Sisseton, South Dakota, USA

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Rise: 7:26am	Rise: 7:27am	Rise: 7:28am	Rise: 7:29am	Rise: 7:31am	Rise: 7:32am	Rise: 7:33am
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Rise: 7:53am	Rise: 7:55am	Rise: 7:56am	Rise: 7:57am	Rise: 7:59am	Rise: 8:00am	Rise: 8:01am
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29 Rise: 8:03am Set: 6:21pm	30 Rise: 8:04am Set: 6:19pm	31 Rise: 8:06am Set: 6:18pm				

November and December Sunrise and Sunset

November 2023

Sisseton, South Dakota, USA

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			l Rise: 8:07am Set: 6:17pm	2 Rise: 8:08am Set: 6:15pm	3 Rise: 8:10am Set: 6:14pm	4 Rise: 8:11am Set: 6:12pm
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Rise: 7:13am	Rise: 7:14am	Rise: 7:16am	Rise: 7:17am	Rise: 7:18am	Rise: 7:20am	Rise: 7:21am
Set: 5:11pm	Set: 5:09pm	Set: 5:08pm	Set: 5:07pm	Set: 5:06pm	Set: 5:04pm	Set: 5:03pm
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Rise: 7:23am	Rise; 7:24am	Rise: 7:25am	Rise: 7:27am	Rise: 7:28am	Rise: 7:29am	Rise: 7:31am
Set: 5:02pm	Set: 5:01pm	Set: 5:00pm	Set: 4:59pm	Set: 4:58pm	Set: 4:56pm	Set: 4:56pm
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Rise: 7:32am	Rise: 7:34am	Rise: 7:35am	Rise: 7:36am	Rise: 7:38am	Rise: 7:39am	Rise: 7:40am
Set: 4:55pm	Set: 4:54pm	Set: 4:53pm	Set: 4:52pm	Set: 4:51pm	Set: 4:50pm	Set: 4:50pm
26 Rise: 7:41am Set: 4:49pm	27 Rise: 7:43am Set: 4:48pm	28 Rise: 7:44am Set: 4:48pm	29 Rise: 7:45am Set: 4:47pm	30 Rise: 7:46am Set: 4:47pm		

December 2023

Sisseton, South Dakota, USA

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Rise: 7:48am Set: 4:46pm	2 Rise: 7:49am Set: 4:46pm
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Rise: 7:50am	Rise: 7:51am	Rise: 7:52am	Rise: 7:53am	Rise: 7:54am	Rise: 7:55am	Rise: 7:56am
Set: 4:45pm	Set: 4:45pm	Set: 4:45pm	Set: 4:45pm	Set: 4:44pm	Set: 4:44pm	Set: 4:44pm
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Rise: 7:57am	Rise: 7:58am	Rise: 7:59am	Rise: 8:00am	Rise: 8:01am	Rise: 8:01am	Rise: 8:02am
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Rise: 8:03am	Rise: 8:04am	Rise: 8:04am	Rise: 8:05am	Rise: 8:05am	Rise: 8:06am	Rise: 8:06am
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Rise: 8:07am	Rise: 8:07am	Rise: 8:08am	Rise: 8:08am	Rise: 8:08am	Rise: 8:08am	Rise: 8:09am
Set: 4:48pm	Set: 4:48pm	Set: 4:49pm	Set: 4:50pm	Set: 4:50pm	Set: 4:51pm	Set: 4:52pm
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Youth Waterfowl

This special youth season is for youth ages 12-15 and they must possess a hunter safety card.

Season Dates: 09/09/23-09/10/23

Daily Limit: Ducks: 6 and comprised of no more than:

(5) Mallards (which may include no more than 2 hens),

(1) Scaup,(3) Wood Ducks,(2) Redheads,(1) Pintails,

(2) Canvasbacks

(2) Bonus blue-winged teal (first 16 days of season only)

Coots: (15) Fifteen
Canada Geese: (8) Eight

Possession Limit: Twice the daily bag limit for all species
Shooting Hours: ½ hour before sunrise to sunset

Nontoxic Shot: Hunters may not use or possess lead shot when hunting waterfowl. Steel,

bismuth-tin, tungsten-iron, tungsten-polymer, tungsten-matrix, tungsten-nickel-iron, tungsten-bronze, tungsten-tin-bismuth and tungsten-iron-

nickel-tin (Hevi-shot) are approved nontoxic shot.

License Required: Waterfowl License Federal Stamp Youth 12-15 Not Required Required License Fees: Waterfowl License Sportsman Member Youth Free Free INM Youth \$25.00 n/a NI Youth \$25.00 n/a

Ages 12-15 hunter safety card required

Surcharge: 5.00 surcharge is assessed to the first 2023 license purchase. Any additional 2023 license purchases will not be subject to the surcharge.

Waterfowl license will also validate Non-Indian youth for a 10 consecutive day hunt or two 5 consecutive day periods during regular waterfowl season. The start date(s) will begin on the date you provide and will be printed on your license. Tribal members and Indian Non-members youth may hunt the entire regular waterfowl season with a waterfowl or sportsman license. Start date may be changed by an SWO F & W licensing agent if the original selected date hasn't started.

Youth must be accompanied by an adult (18+). The adult may not hunt ducks but may participate in the early Canada goose season.

Decoys: Mechanical decoys are allowed on Tribal or Trust Lands. This includes wind driven or battery operated.

Peever Slough: Peever slough is a shoreline waterfowl refuge. No hunting within 100 yards of open water.

Federal Migratory Game Bird Laws Apply. For complete text of these regulations, please see Title 50, USCFR, Part 20

Youth Rifle

Season Dates:

Members: 09/02/23-01/07/24 Indian Non Member: 09/09/23-12/31/23 Non-Indian: 09/16/23-12/31/23

Limit: (1) One Antlerless Only Deer

Shooting Hours: ½ hour after sunrise to ½ hour before sunset

License Required: Youth Rifle License

License Fees: \$10.00 Tribal Member Youth

\$20.00 Indian Non Member \$30.00 Non-Indian Youth

A 4% Tribal Tax will be required of all non member license purchases excluding the surcharge

License Requirements: Youth must be 12 to 15 years old and possess a valid hunter safety certificate.

Hunter Orange: Youth hunters are required to wear at least one visible exterior garment which covers the chest and back.

Special Requirements: Each hunter must be accompanied by an unarmed adult wearing the required hunter orange.

Hunter Report Cards: All hunters are required to submit a hunter report card within 10 days of the close of the season.

May submit in office or online at https://wso.nagfa.net/online.

Small game hunters: Small game hunters may not accompany big game hunters in the same hunting party.

Baiting: It shall be unlawful for any person to place any type of salt blocks or licks to attract big game.

Firearm Restrictions: It shall be unlawful for any person to use a shoulder held firearm that produces less than one thousand (1,000) foot pounds of energy at the muzzle. Among calibers <u>not</u> legal are: 17 Remington, 218 Bee, .22 Hornet, .25-20, .30 Carbine, .32-20, .38-40, and the .44-40.

Dogs Prohibited: No dogs shall be used in the hunting of big game animals.

Accompaniment Prohibited: No big game licensee while hunting in the field during a big game season shall be accompanied by any non-licensee carrying any firearm or bow and arrow. A non-licensee is a person not having a big game license for the same season.

Safely Handling Harvested Deer

Hunters need to be skilled in many things to successfully harvest deer. However, preparing to harvest a deer does not end once you are able to find a deer and pull the trigger or release the arrow on an animal. There's a popular saying: Once you pull the trigger, the real work begins. Hunters also need to be prepared to properly handle and care for the carcass, so they can process and preserve the meat for the table.

Locate the harvested deer as quickly as possible and remove the entrails, which allows the carcass to cool down and aid in preventing spoilage. Take extra caution to avoid puncturing the stomach or intestines.

Once you get the deer to your vehicle, transport the deer to a local game processor or to your home to process it yourself. The deer carcass must be properly licenseged before transporting in any way.

If you plan to process the animal yourself, hang the deer, if possible, to allow air to circulate around the carcass until you are ready to begin the butchering process. Hanging should only be done at 40 degrees or below. Once you have the carcass home, skinning and quartering the animal are the next steps. Continue to be mindful of the temperature and refrigerate the quartered portions if temperatures do not license hanging.

Deboned pieces can be handled many ways, including tenderized, cut into jerky strips, ground or kept whole for use as roasts. Venison may be canned in a pressure canner, dehydrated or frozen for future use.

Packaging meat with freezer paper or vacuum sealing with plastic can provide your family with venison for months.

Lead bullet fragments in venison has raised concerns about health risks from meat consumption. To help protect against lead contamination:

Consider alternative expanding, non-lead ammunition such as cooper or other high-weight retention lead bullets, such as bonded bullets.

Practice good hunting skills, aiming for the vitals behind the shoulder, or the neck or the head. Do not shoot a running deer.

Take care to avoid processing any meat with excessive shot damage. Trim a generous distance away from the wound channel and discard any meat that is bruised, discolored or contains hair, dirt, bone fragments or grass.

Archery

Season Dates: 09/02/23-12/31/23 Tribal Members

09/16/23-12/31/23 Indian-Non Members

10/01/23-12/31/23 Non Indian

Limit: (1) One Any Deer

Antler Restriction: Must be at least a 3x3 if antlered

Shooting Hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 after sunset.

Hunter Orange: Hunter Orange recommended during rifle season

Licenseging and Transporting: The license received with your license must be signed, dated and securely attached to the big game animal at the time it is brought to a road or into any hunting camp, farmyard, residence, or before it is placed in or on a vehicle. The licensee shall sign the license and date it by cutting out completely the month and day of the date of kill only. The licensee shall attach the license securely to the big game animal: (1) Around one hind leg between the hoof and ankle joint; (2) Around the hock tendon directly above the ankle joint on one hind leg; or (3) Around the base of the antler or horn.

Restrictions: A person hunting with bow and arrow <u>may not use or possess</u> any of the following: -Explosive, poisonous, hydraulic or pneumatic points; Crossbows and draw-lock devices that hold the bow at partial or full draw except for individuals who qualify and possess a valid crossbow/draw-lock license; Arrow rests that have more than three inches of continuous contact with the arrow; Electronic devices mounted to the bow that aid in the taking of game. However, cameras, video cameras, cell phones used exclusively for photographic purposes, lighted sight pins and illuminated arrow mocks may be used; Electronic arrow or electronic string releases; Telescopic sights; An arrow without a broad head (fixed or mechanical) that has at least two metal cutting edges when hunting a big game animal, except blunt points may be possessed and used when hunting a turkey. A bow that measures less than 30 pounds pull.

Hunter Report Cards: All hunters must submit a hunter report card within 15 days of the close of the season. Year 2022 archery hunters who did not submit an archery hunter report card will be penalized a \$25.00 penalty fee, that will be assessed to the purchase of their 2023 deer license fee. May submit in office or online at https://wso.nagfa.net/online.

Big game decoys: Big game decoys are allowed.

Designated Hunters: Not allowable for Archery season.

Accompaniment Prohibited: No big game licensee while hunting in the field during a big game season shall be accompanied by any non-licensee carrying any firearm or bow and arrow. A non-licensee is a person not having a big game license for the same season and method.

Archers prohibited from possessing firearms: No person licensed in a season restricted to archery only shall possess any firearm in the field while hunting with a bow and arrow.

Dogs Prohibited: No dogs shall be used in the hunting of big game animals.

Federal Lacey Act: No person may transport or ship to another state wildlife taken unlawfully on the Lake Traverse Reservation.

Baiting: No one may establish, utilize or maintain a bait station to attract big game. A bait station is a location where grains, fruits, vegetables, nuts, hay, minerals (including salt) or any other natural food materials are placed or maintained as an attractant to big game animals for the purpose of hunting.

Trail Cameras & Tree Stands/Portable Blinds: Must be labeled with the name & address of the owner or user or must have the current big game license number on the stand or blind. Any equipment left 30 days after close of season will be considered abandoned, and will be ceased by the SWO Fish & Wildlife Department.

Crossbows: Crossbows are not a legal method during archery season except for disable hunters but does require a special license.

Rifle Deer (Tahca)

Shooting Hours: ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset.

* Limit: (1) Any Deer per each any deer license or

(1) Antlerless Deer per each antlerless deer license

(Tribal member elder licenses are antlerless only)

Antler Restriction: Must be at least a 3x3 if antlered

Predator Hunting: All hunters who have been issued a rifle deer license are licenseted to hunt coyotes until their deer license is filled.

Hunter Orange: Hunters are required to wear at least one visible exterior garment which covers the chest and back.

Licenseging and Transporting: The license received with your license must be signed, dated and securely attached to the big game animal at the time it is brought to a road or into any hunting camp, farmyard, residence, or before it is placed in or on a vehicle. The licensee shall sign the license and date it by cutting out completely the month and day of the date of kill only. The licensee shall attach the license securely to the big game animal: (1) Around one hind leg between the hoof and ankle joint; (2) Around the hock tendon directly above the ankle joint on one hind leg; or (3) Around the base of the antler or horn.

Licenseging allows a big game animal to be transported and stored by the hunter or another person for the hunter. No person may possess in the field or transport a big game animal, including boned out meat unless it is accompanied by the animal's lawfully attached license along with the animal's head or a hind quarter with visible external sex organs left naturally attached to it. Any person licensed to take "any deer" is exempt from transporting the animal's head or hind quarter with attached sex organs if the lawfully licenseged leg accompanies the animal for such a license. However, the provisions of this section do not apply to a big game licensee who transports big game parts, including boned out meat, from the licensee's domicile to another location if the licensee possesses the big game license or big game license entitling the licensee to the animal. If a person other than the licensee transports big game animal parts (including boned out meat) from the licensee's domicile to another location, the licenseeged leg or a transportation license must accompany the items being transported.

Hunter Report Cards: All hunters are required to submit a hunter report card within 15 days of the close of the season. Year 2022 rifle hunters who did not submit a hunter report card will be penalized a \$25.00 penalty fee, which will be assessed to the purchase of their 2023 rifle deer license fee. May submit in office or online at https://wso.nagfa.net/online.

Designated Hunters: No Big Game Licensee may hunt for another except designated licensed *Tribal Members* who have obtained authorization by the SWO Fish and Wildlife Department. Designated hunting will only be allowed for Tribal members. Upon authorization the designees name will be printed on the designators license which must be in possession of the authorized hunter while hunting.

Small Game Hunters: Small Game Hunters may not accompany big game hunters in the same hunting party.

Big game decoys: Big game decoys are allowed.

Baiting: No one may establish, utilize or maintain a bait station to attract big game. A bait station is a location where grains, fruits, vegetables, nuts, hay, minerals (including salt) or any other natural food materials are placed or maintained as an attractant to big game animals for the purpose of hunting.

Firearm Restrictions: It shall be unlawful for any person to use a shoulder held firearm that produces less than one thousand (1,000) foot pounds of energy at the muzzle. Among calibers <u>not</u> legal are: 17 Remington, 218 Bee, .22 Hornet, .25-20, .30 Carbine, .32-20, .38-40, and the .44-40. It is illegal to use an auto-loading or self-loading firearm capable of holding more than six cartridges or capable of being operated as a full automatic.

Party Hunting: No more than (20) persons shall cooperate as a group in hunting. When licensee has filled his or her license they are unable to continue deer hunting with party unless unarmed.

Dogs Prohibited: No dogs shall be used in the hunting of big game animals.

Rifle Deer (Tahca) (continued)

Accompaniment Prohibited: No big game licensee while hunting in the field during a big game season shall be accompanied by any non-licensee carrying any firearm or bow and arrow. A non-licensee is a person not having a big game license for the same season.

Zones: Non Indian Licenses are valid only for the zone printed on license.

<u>Zone No. I</u> – Tribal and Trust lands within the original boundaries of the Lake Traverse Reservation, north of Highway 10 to the North Dakota Border.

Zone No. II – Tribal and Trust lands within the original boundaries of the Lake Traverse Reservation, south of State Highway 10 to the point at Lake Kampeska by Watertown.

North Dakota Lands: Non Members are not allowed to hunt on Lake Traverse Reservation trust lands on the North Dakota side unless a special license is acquired from the SWO Fish & Wildlife Department through a separate application process.

Shotguns: Must discharge a rifle slug or single ball weighing at least one-half ounce. Buckshot is prohibited.

Trail Cameras & Tree Stands/Portable Blinds: Must be labeled with the name & address of the owner or user or must have the current big game license number on the stand or blind. Any equipment left 30 days after close of season will be considered abandoned, and will be ceased by the SWO Fish & Wildlife Department.

Crossbows: Crossbows may be used by Tribal Members only during the rifle deer season provided they have a current valid rifle deer license.

Crossbows used shall have a minimum pull of 125 pounds and be equipped with a functional mechanical safety device.

A person that is issued a crossbow/draw-lock license is entitled to use draw-lock device that holds a bow at a partial or full draw.

The bolts shall be equipped with a broadhead that has at least two metal cutting edges.

Arrows with explosive or poisonous tips are prohibited.

Crossbows with scopes or sights may be used.

It is unlawful to discharge a crossbow from a motorized vehicle.

Hunter Orange is required. Must wear at least one visible exterior garment which covers the chest and back.

Please be mindful of these additional safety tips:

- Crossbows have a safety. Immediately after cocking, always check to make sure that your bow is on safe.
- Always use bolts/arrows recommended by the manufacturer and handle carefully.
- Protect yourself and the arrow points with a covered arrow quiver.
- The safest way to carry, transport and raise or lower a crossbow from a stand is always to have the crossbow un-cocked.
- The safest way to un-cock a crossbow is to fire a bolt into the ground or target.
- Make sure that the limb tips are free of obstructions and your fingers, hand or arm are not in the string path at any time while the crossbow is cocked.
 Know your range for accuracy.

Mentored Hunt

The mentored hunting program is designed so parents can make the decision on when their child is ready to go hunting for the first time.

MENTORED HUNTER: Any youth at least 10 years of age but less than 16 years of age, that is not required to possess a hunting license as long as accompanied by a hunting mentor while in the field hunting.

REQUIREMENTS: Tribal Members Only

At least 10 years of age and less than 16 years of age

No license required for the mentored hunter

No hunter education class required

Must be accompanied by unarmed mentor

MENTOR: Any parent/guardian or assigned competent adult that accompanies a youth.

REQUIREMENTS:

Tribal Members Only

18 years of age or older

Must be hunter education certified and carry certification in the field during the mentored hunt.

Shall possess a valid hunting license for the game being hunted

Must be in immediate contact and direct supervision of the mentored hunter

If not the parent, must possess written permission from the parent

Adult mentor cannot accompany more than one mentored hunter at any

given time

Mentored Hunt (continued)

UPLAND/WATERFOWL/SMALL GAME:

- Mentored hunts involving migratory game birds will require the mentor possess all required licenses
- The combined number of animals taken or possessed by the mentored hunter and the hunting mentor may not exceed the number of animals authorized under licenses held by the adult mentor
- Game taken by a mentored hunter counts towards the mentors daily limit
- May hunt during any of the small game, waterfowl, upland established 2022 seasons
- Hunting party may not exceed six people (including mentors and mentored hunters)

BIG GAME HUNTING:

- If a mentored deer or turkey license is purchased for a mentored hunter, that mentored hunter is ineligible to purchase a license for the respective regular youth deer season
- The purchase of a big game mentored hunting license does not affect the eligibility of the parent/guardian for any other hunting license
- Mentored Deer licensees must follow date and equipment restrictions for the Youth Deer season
- Mentored Fall Turkey licensees must follow date and equipment restrictions for the Fall Turkey season

Hunting party may not exceed six people (including mentors and mentored hunters)

Muzzleloader

Season Dates: Tribal Members: 11/04/23-12/31/23

Indian Non Member: 11/25/23-12/31-23

Non Indian: 12/01/23-12/31/23

Shooting Hours: ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset.

Methods: Muzzle loading rifles must shoot a .44 caliber or larger bullet. Muzzle

loading pistols are not legal.

Limit: (1) One Any Deer

Hunter Orange: Hunters are required to wear at least one visible exterior garment

which covers the chest and back.

Licenseging and Transporting: The license received with your license must be signed, dated and securely attached to the big game animal at the time it is brought to a road or into any hunting camp, farmyard, residence, or before it is placed in or on a vehicle. The licensee shall sign the license and date it by cutting out completely the month and day of the date of kill only. The licensee shall attach the license securely to the big game animal: (1) Around one hind leg between the hoof and ankle joint; (2) Around the hock tendon directly above the ankle joint on one hind leg; or (3) Around the base of the antler or horn.

Licenseging allows a big game animal to be transported and stored by the hunter or another person for the hunter. No person may possess in the field or transport a big game animal, including boned out meat unless it is accompanied by the animal's lawfully attached license along with the animal's head or a hind quarter with visible external sex organs left naturally attached to it. Any person licensed to take "any deer," "any elk" or "any antelope" is exempt from transporting the animal's head or hind quarter with attached sex organs if the lawfully licenseged leg accompanies the animal for such a license. However, the provisions of this section do not apply to a big game licensee who transports big game parts, including boned out meat, from the licensee's domicile to another location if the licensee possesses the big game license or big game license entitling the licensee to the animal. If a person other than the licensee transports big game animal parts (including boned out meat) from the licensee's domicile to another location, the licenseedel leg or a transportation license must accompany the items being transported.

Hunter Report Cards: All hunters are required to submit a hunter report card within 15 days of the close of the season. Year 2022 hunters who did not submit a hunter report card will be penalized a \$25.00 penalty fee, which will be assessed to the purchase of their 2023 deer license fee.

Small Game Hunters: Small Game Hunters may not accompany big game hunters in the same hunting party.

Designated Hunters: Not allowable for Muzzleloader Season

Muzzleloader (continued)

Wanton Waste: No one may wantonly waste big game.

No person shall abandon edible portions of fish or wildlife at a meat processing plant. The leaving of edible portions of fish or wildlife at a processing plant of more than ninety (90) days shall be considered prima facie evidence of a violation. The owner(s) or operator(s) in charge of any meat processing plant shall report the violation the Tribal Fish and Wildlife Department.

Baiting: It shall be unlawful for any person to place any salt blocks or licks to attract big game.

Accompaniment Prohibited: No big game licensee while hunting in the field during a big game season shall be accompanied by any non-licensee carrying any firearm or bow and arrow. A non-licensee is a person not having a big game license for the same season.

Dogs prohibited: No dogs shall be used in the hunting of big game animals.

Predator Hunting: All nonmember hunters who have been issued a muzzleloader deer license are licenseted to hunt coyotes until their license is filled. The coyote must be taken by the method the deer license is issued for.

Baiting: No one may establish, utilize or maintain a bait station to attract big game. A bait station is a location where grains, fruits, vegetables, nuts, hay, minerals (including salt) or any other natural food materials are placed or maintained as an attractant to big game animals for the purpose of hunting.

Deer Seasons and Fees

Tribal Member:

Rifle: 11/04/23-12/10/23

 Fee: \$25.00
 (1) Any Deer
 (350) Licenses Available

 Fee: \$20.00
 (1) Antlerless
 (100) Licenses Available

 Fee: \$15.00
 (1) Antlerless
 (200) Bonus 2nd License

Elder: 11/04/23-12/10/23 Fee: \$10.00

Antlerless Only (100) Licenses Available

Muzzleloader: 11/04/23-12/31/23 Fee: \$15.00

Any Deer (55) Licenses Available

Archery: 09/02/23-12/31/23 Fee: \$20.00

Any Deer (100) Licenses Available

Indian Non-Member: (1) Any Deer

Rifle: 11/11/23-12/03/23 Fee: \$275.00 (10) Licenses Available Muzzleloader: 11/25/23-12/31/23 Fee: \$175.00 (10) Licenses Available Archery: 09/16/23-12/31/23 Fee: \$195.00 (10) Licenses Available

Non-Indian: \$10.00 LOTTERY application Fee

Lottery: Opens Aug. 4, 2023

1st Drawing: August 18, 2023 (2 weeks to claim)

2nd Drawing: September 1, 2023 (for remainder of licenses not

Rifle: 11/18/23-12/03/23 Fee: \$300.00 or \$150.00 for affiliates

(1) One Any Deer (50) Licenses Available

Muzzleloader: 12/01/23-12/31/23 Fee: \$200.00 or \$100.00 for affiliates

(1) One Any Deer (15) Licenses Available

Archery: 10/01/23-12/31/23 Fee: \$250.00 or \$125.00 for affiliates

(1) One Any Deer (15) Licenses Available

*Affiliates (1) One Any Deer (20) Licenses Available

Youth Rifle: (1) Antlerless Only Ages 12-15 years, hunter safety card required.

Tribal Member: 09/02/23-01/07/24 Fee: \$10.00 (35) Licenses Available Non-Indian: 09/16/23-12/31/23 Fee: \$30.00 (25) Licenses Available

^{**}A 4% Tribal Tax is required of all non-member license purchases, excluding the \$5 surcharge

North Dakota Seasons

Non-members are not allowed to hunt on Lake Traverse Reservation trust lands on the North Dakota side unless a special license is acquired from the SWO Fish & Wildlife Department through a separate application process. These special licenses are available on a first come first serve basis. They are limited licenses exclusive for North Dakota Trust lands only. Non-member licensees whom were issued regular licenses are not allowed to hunt Indian lands on the ND side of Lake Traverse.

SWO tribal member issued licenses are valid for Lake Traverse Reservation trust lands on the ND or SD side.

Upland Gamebird Seasons:

Dove: 09/01/23-11/29/23

Pheasant: 10/07/23-01/07/24

Partridge: 09/09/23-01/07/24

Deer Season:

Rifle:11/10/23-11/26/23

Archery: 09/01/23-01/07/24

Muzzleloader: 12/01/23-12/17/23

Fall Turkey Season:

Turkey: 10/14/23-01/07/24

Waterfowl:

Duck: 09/30/23-12/03/23

Canada Geese: 09/30/23-12/21/23

Light Geese: Resident: 09/23/23-12/29/23

Non-Resident: 09/30/23-12/29/23

TOM ROSTER'S 2016 NONTOXIC SHOT LETHALITY TABLE®

Proven Nontoxic Loads For Waterfowl, Doves, & Upland Game Birds ¹ Vel. Range Tested: 1,225-1,700 FPS ACTIVITY	Observed Hunters' Typical Shooting Range During Activity (Yards)	Most Effective Nontoxic Shot Size(s) For Birds Listed Under ACTIVITY At The Distances Listed In The Second Column	Minimum Load Weight (Ounces)	Minimum Pellet Hits Needed on Lethal Areas for Clean Kills	Minimum Pattern Count Needed at Any Distance for Clean Kills (# of Pellets in 30" Circle)	Most Effective Choke(s) at Distance (Given in Lead Shot Choke	NOTE: The pollets in the steel shot loads listed in this table were traditional, highly spherical ball-shaped pollets of ~7.86 g/cc density and 90-95 DPH hardness. The HEVI-Shot pellets were of 12.0 g/cc density and are harder than traditional steel pellets.
Large Geese At Long Range Giant, Western, Atlantic and Interior Canadas	50-65	Steel BBB to T HEVI-Shot 2 to B	1-1/4	1.2	50-55	Improved Modified	Improved Modified Improved Modified, Full
Large Geese Over Decoys	35-50	Steel BB to BBB HEVI-Shot 2 to B	1-1/4	1-2	50-55	Improved C	Improved Cylinder, Modified Improved Cylinder, Modified
Medium/Small Geese Long Range Snow, White-fronted, Lesser Canadas	50-65	Steel BB to BBB HEVI-Shot 2	1-1/4	2 2 2	60-65	Improved Modified Improved Modified	Improved Modified Improved Modified, Full
Medium/Small Geese Over Decoys	35-50	Steel 2 to BB HEVI-Shot 4 to 2	1-1/8	77	60-65	Light Modif	Light Modified, Modified Improved Cylinder, Modified
Large Ducks At Long Range Mallard, Black, Pintail, Goldeneye, Gadwall	45-65	Steel 2 to 1 HEVI-Shot 4	1-1/8	5.5	85-90 85-90	Improved N	Improved Modified, Full Improved Modified, Full
Large Ducks Over Decoys	20-45	Steel 6 to 2 HEVI-Shot 6 to 4	1-1/8	2 2 2	85-90	I.C. (20-35 Y I.C. (20-35 Y	I.C. (20-35 Yds), Mod. (35-45 Yds) I.C. (20-35 Yds), Mod. (35-45 Yds)
Medium Ducks Over Decoys Wigeon, Scaup, Shoveler	20-45	Steel 6 to 3 HEVI-Shot 6 to 4	1-1/8	2 2 2	115-120	I.C. (20-35 Y I.C. (20-35 Y	I.C. (20-35 Yds), Mod. (35-45 Yds) I.C. (20-35 Yds), Mod. (35-45 Yds)
Small Ducks Over Decoys Teal, Ruddy, Bufflehead	20-45	Steel 6 to 4 HEVI-Shot 6	1-1/8	1.2	135-145	Mod. (20-35 Mod. (20-35	Mod. (20-35 Yds), Full (35-45 Yds) Mod. (20-35 Yds), Full (35-45 Yds)
Ring-Necked Pheasants	20-50	Steel 3 to 2 HEVI-Shot 6 to 4	1-1/8	2-3	90-95	I.C. (20-30 Y	I.C. (20-30 Yds), Mod. (30-50 Yds) I.C. (20-30 Yds), Mod. (30-50 Yds)
Turkeys (Head and Neck Shots)	20-40	Steel 4; HEVI-Shot 6	1-1/4	3-4	210-230	Full or Extra Full	a Full
Mourning Doves	20-45	Steel 8 to 7 HEVI-Shot 71/2	% -3/4 3/4	1-2	200-210	IC-8's/LM-7's I.C. (20-30 Yd	IC-8's/LM-7's (20-30 Yds);Mod>30 Yd I.C. (20-30 Yds); Light Mod (30-45 Yd)
Northern Bobwhite Quail	20-30	Steel 8 to 7	5/8 -3/4	1-2	200-210	Imp. Cyl., L	Imp. Cyl., Light Modified
Swatter Load For Wounded Birds	20-30	Steel 7 to 6	-		175	Improved IV	Improved Modified, Full

This table summarizes Tom Roster's analyses to date of the lethality data bases for certain of the 16 U.S. steel vs lead waterfowl & dove shooting test (1999) plus lethality data bases owned by ammunition companies for birds taken with nontoxic shotshell loads Roster tested for them & the CONSEP Org. for taking ducks; steel #2 & HEVI-Shot #4 (.130") the best all-around performance for taking ring-necked pheasants; & steel 7's (.100") the best all-around performance for taking doves. Note: Steel #BBB (190") & HEVI-Shot #2 (150") have exhibited the best all-around performance for taking geese; steel #3 (140") & HEVI-Shot #4 (130") the best all-around performance

These findings are derived from testing 2%" 28 gauge; 3" 20 ga.; 2%", 3" & 3½" 12 ga.; & 3½" 10 ga. steel loads; plus 2½" 8 ga.; 2½" & 3" 20 ga.; and 2½" & 3" 12 ga. HEVI-Shot loads. © Copyright 2016 by Tom Roster. For answers to questions on this table contact: Tom Roster, 1190 Lynnewood, Klamath Falls, OR, USA 97601. tomroster@charter.net

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Lead Based Ammunition

Biologists, doctors and researchers from the science community in 2013 released a consensus statement stating the following: Lead is one of the most well-studied of all anthropogenic toxins and there is overwhelming scientific evidence demonstrating that there is no safe level of lead exposure for children; and

Lead-based ammunition is likely the greatest, largely unregulated source of lead knowingly discharged into the environment in the United States; and

The discharge of lead-based ammunition and accumulation of spent lead-based ammunition in the environment poses significant health risks to humans and wildlife; and

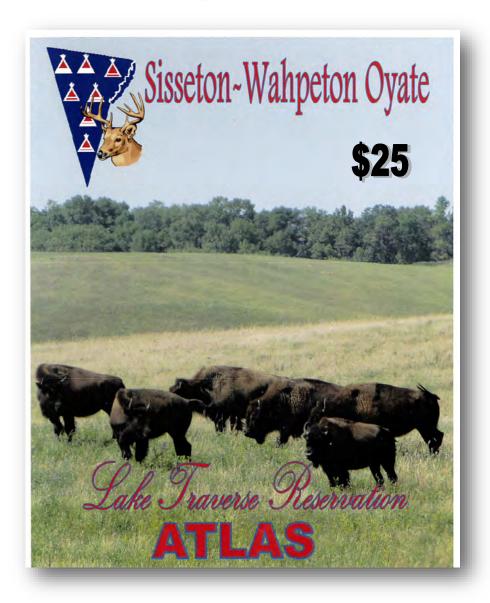
Lead-based ammunition is a significant source of lead exposure in humans that ingest wild game, and people consuming meat shot with lead-based ammunition have been shown to have lead pellets/fragments in the gastro-intestinal tract; and

Lead poisoning from ingestion of spent lead-based ammunition fragments poses a serious and significant threat to wildlife, including wild scavenging species such as the bald eagle, golden eagle, ravens and turkey vultures.

Given the overwhelming evidence for the toxic effects of lead in humans and wildlife, even at very low exposure levels, convincing data that the discharge of lead-based ammunition into the environment poses significant risks of lead exposure to humans and wildlife, and the availability of non-lead alternative products for hunting, the Tribal Council of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate of the Lake Traverse Reservation supports the efforts of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Fish and Wildlife Department (Tribal Council Resolution No.) to reduce or prohibit the use of lead-based ammunition for the take of wildlife on trust lands.

We are asking that all hunters please voluntarily use non lead products for hunting of species that are not yet required by law to be steel shot only. Inquire with the Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux Tribe Fish & Wildlife Department for alternative lead shot recommendations.

Hunting Atlas's available in the SWO Fish & Wildlife Department





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1 (605) 698-7661

Or

The **POW** Hotline

1 (605) 698-8413

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