

As of October 6, 2023

Arkansas Game and Fish Commission

Code Book

The regulations in this Code Book are hereby adopted by the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission under authority of Amendment 35 to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas. All laws, rules, regulations, or orders in conflict with the regulations in this Code Book are hereby repealed by the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission.

03.03 Resident Hunting License Requirements

It is unlawful for a resident to hunt wildlife by any means in Arkansas without possessing on the person the appropriate Arkansas hunting license as provided herein:

- A. To hunt alligator, deer, turkey, bear or elk, the hunter must have physical possession of a valid Arkansas hunting license. Additionally, to hunt bear, the hunter must have physical possession of a valid Resident Bear Tag.
- B. Arkansas Residents (16 years of age and older)
 - **Small Game:** Resident Wildlife Conservation License; Resident Sportsman's License; **Big Game:** Resident Wildlife Conservation License (permits residents to harvest one legal deer during any deer season); Resident Sportsman's License; **Furbearer (Hunting):** Any valid hunting license. **Furbearer (Trapping):** Any valid hunting license and a resident trappers permit. **All game:** Holders of the following licenses are entitled to hunt all game, except if taking waterfowl an Arkansas Resident Waterfowl Stamp, Federal Waterfowl Stamp, and Harvest Information Program (HIP) are required: Resident 65 Plus Lifetime Sportsman's Hunting License (or 65 Plus Lifetime Combination License); Resident 65 Plus Annual Hunting License (or Resident 65 Plus Annual Combination License); Resident Disabled Lifetime Sportsman's Hunting License (or Resident Disabled Lifetime Combination License) Resident Disabled Hunting 3-Year License (or Resident Disabled Combination 3-Year License); Resident Disabled Military Veteran Lifetime Hunting License; or Resident Disabled Military Veteran Lifetime Combination License. **All game:** Holders of the following license are entitled to hunt all game, including waterfowl with a Federal Waterfowl Stamp and Harvest Information Program (HIP): Resident Sportsman's Lifetime Combination License and Permit; Resident Natural State Lifetime Combination License and Permit; or Resident Disabled Military Veteran Lifetime Combination License and Permit.

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. Residents hunting on a licensed game bird shooting resort in compliance with regulations (Code [09.06](#)).
- B. In compliance with Code [04.04](#) and Addendum [B1.14](#).

PENALTY: Class 1