

2022 Special Walleye Licence Draws

Draw Application Period is Tuesday, March 29 to Thursday, April 21, 2022

To avoid problems we encourage you to apply as early as possible. Need help? Call the Help Desk 1-888-944-5494

ONLINE LICENSING

Apply online for your special walleye licence.

albertarelm.com

Important Changes for 2022

2021 was the last season that anglers could apply on a draw to obtain a Class C Walleye Special Harvest Licences. 2022 Class C Special Harvest Licences are available on a first come first served basis.



This information is also available online at mywildalberta.ca or albertaregulations.ca



HOW TO PURCHASE YOUR DRAW APPLICATION ONLINE

You will need your WiN, password and a valid credit card.

Go online to albertarelm.com.

Select "Purchase Applications"; you will be prompted to register or complete the required information after which you can proceed and "Enter Draw".

If you need assistance please contact the Help Desk 1-888-944-5494.

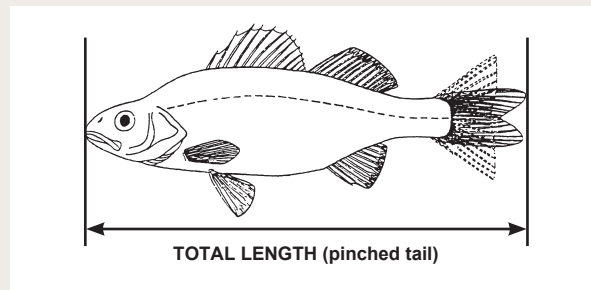
Draw application(s) purchase complete: The online draw application is entered immediately into the draw database. You should review each of your draw applications and ensure all the information is accurate.

If you have any questions contact the Help Desk 1-888-944-5494.

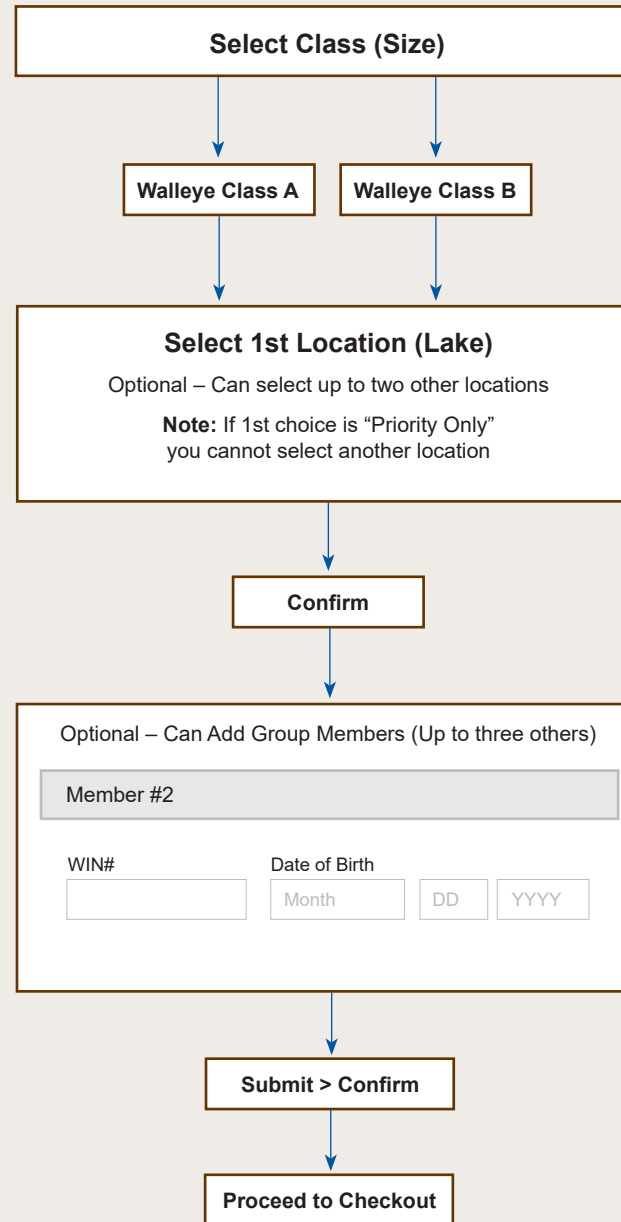
MEASURING FISH LENGTH

It is best to immediately release fish that are close to legal length rather than subjecting the fish to extra handling for the taking of a more accurate measurement. Flexible tape measures may be used provided only the straight-line length of the fish is measured without including the curvature of the body in the length of the fish. It's a good idea to have a fish measuring stick with you and to place it beside the fish before lifting the fish from the water.

Length – The total length (maximum) of a fish is measured from the tip of the nose or jaw to the tip of the tail fin, with the tail pinched.



DRAW APPLICATION PROCESS



SPECIAL WALLEYE LICENCE DRAWS

An Alberta resident may apply for each different-sized class of Special Walleye Licence, but may possess only 1 of these licences. The Walleye (Class A) draw will be conducted first, then the Walleye (Class B) draw. Applicants drawn in a walleye draw will be eliminated from the subsequent draws. Class C walleye licences can be purchased on a first-come first-served basis starting May 5, 2022.

Walleye (Class A)

This licence authorizes the holder to retain **2 walleye over 50 cm in total length** in one of these lakes as specified during the open season indicated in the current Alberta Guide to Sportfishing Regulations. Price \$11.00 (GST not included)

Lake	Select one of these choices
Pigeon Lake	701
Wolf Lake (66-7-W4)	702
Newell lake	703
Crawling Valley Reservoir	704
Amisk Lake	707
Long Lake (63-19-W4)	709
Baptiste Lake	711

Lake	Select one of these choices
Lac Ste. Anne	713
Fawcett Lake	720
Ethel Lake	726
Gregoire Lake	727
Moose Lake	729
Seibert Lake	730
Shinningbank Lake	731

Walleye (Class B)

This licence authorizes the holder to retain **2 walleye 43-50 cm in total length** in one of these lakes as specified during the open season indicated in the current Alberta Guide to Sportfishing Regulations. Price \$11.00 (GST not included)

Lake	Select one of these choices
Pigeon Lake	701
Wolf Lake (66-7-W4)	702
Newell lake	703
Crawling Valley Reservoir	704
Wadlin Lake	705
Amisk Lake	707
Long Lake (63-19-W4)	709
Baptiste Lake	711

Lake	Select one of these choices
Lac Ste. Anne	713
Whitefish Lake	717
Fawcett Lake	720
Hilda Lake	724
Gregoire Lake	727
Seibert Lake	730
Shinningbank Lake	731

Timelines:

March 29 - April 21	Draw applications may be purchased online for \$3.35 (plus GST) at albertarelm.com or at licence issuers.
Commencing May 5	Draw results may be viewed online at albertarelm.com .
May 5, 9:00 a.m.	Special Walleye licences available for purchase for \$11.00 (plus tax) online at albertarelm.com or at licence issuers.
May 5, 9:00 a.m.	Class C Special Walleye licences available for purchase for \$11.00 (plus tax).
May 5, 9:00 a.m.	Undersubscribed Special Walleye licences available for purchase for \$11.00 (plus tax) online at albertarelm.com or at licence issuers..

DRAW RULES

The following table lists the fish draws available.

Type of Special Walleye Licence Draws Available	Restrictions	Maximum Applications Allowed
Walleye (Class A)	An Alberta resident may apply for both draws but may only be drawn in one.	1 application each for either Class A or B
Walleye (Class B)		

WiN: All applicants must have a 10-digit **Wildlife Identification Number (WiN)**, including those under 16 years of age, over 65 years of age, and Métis people. A WiN can be purchased online or at any licence issuer for \$8.00 plus GST.

Age: There is no age restriction.

Residency: The draws are available to residents of Alberta only.

Eligibility: A resident of Alberta is not eligible to apply if their fishing privileges are under suspension or cancellation. An applicant must be eligible to hold an Alberta Sportfishing Licence at time of application.

Application Cost: A price of \$3.35 (plus GST) is charged for each application and is non-refundable.

Group Applications: A maximum of 4 applicants may apply together. A group making a joint application for a draw is only charged for one application. To make a group application, you only need to apply once for the entire group, listing the WiN of each applicant. If drawn, those who applied as a group will be drawn as a group, and each

angler will then be authorized to purchase a Special Walleye Licence.

Draw Priority: The draw priority system is designed to recognize anglers who apply for the same special harvest licence annually. A draw applicant's priority increases when the draw application is not drawn and will be reset to 0 once their application has been drawn. Priority will be accumulated, tracked and used in the draw selection. The priority for a group application will be based on the individual applicant whose priority is lowest.

2021 was the last year to use your Walleye Class C Priority.

Choices: An applicant can indicate up to three lake choices for each draw. The exception is if you choose "Priority Only". If you do not want to be drawn but want to increase your draw priority, use "Priority Only" as your first and only draw choice on your draw application. Normal draw application restrictions apply regarding eligibility.

You can view last year's Special Licence Draws Summary Report online at albertarelm.com. This report provides

statistics on the number of applications, number of licences available and your chances (%) of being drawn.

Did you know that each year, over 20,000 Walleye Special Licence Draw applications are received? Participation in 2021 remained strong with over 23,000 applications being received for more than 17,000 licences available.

LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

Anglers who wish to retain a walleye in one of the specified lakes is required to hold a Special Walleye Licence (including seniors, youths, and Métis people, who do not hold a domestic fishing licence). An Alberta Resident Sportfishing Licence is also required unless you are under 16 years of age, an Alberta resident aged 65 or older, or a first Nations' person who is defined as an Indian under the federal Indian Act. An angler may hold only one Special Walleye Licence for walleye per year. This licence allows an angler to retain a walleye of a specified total length, in a specified lake, during the specified season. The licence cost is \$11.00 plus GST and it is available for purchase at licence issuers or online at albertarelm.com. To buy a licence online, you must have a prenumbered Government of Alberta paper tag and wire before you begin your purchase. A tag must be affixed to the fish as instructed. The licence must be retained along with the tagged fish. **Do not** remove this tag until the fish is prepared for taxidermy or consumption.

The angler must carry both the Resident Sportfishing Licence and the Special Walleye Licence and tag(s) on his/her person while angling. A Sportfishing Licence is required to purchase a Special Walleye Licence even during a free fishing weekend.

Lost Special Walleye Licence and/or Tag
Lost/destroyed licences – All purchased licences can be reprinted either at a licence issuer for a \$2.00 fee, or online at no charge.

Lost/destroyed tags – You are required to bring your licence and identification to a licence issuer and obtain the authorization for the tag replacement. \$11.00 fee is applicable per licence.

Notice to Anglers

At the time of printing this document, the lakes identified are open for the current season under a Special Licence Draw. Alberta Environment and Parks (AEP) reserves the right to close any of these lakes if it is deemed that a lake will not be able to sustain a harvest ie. if a lake is at risk for winterkill, AEP will implement a zero draw quota. If you have any questions regarding this statement, contact Fish and Wildlife Policy Branch. **email: AEP.Outreach-Services@gov.ab.ca**

UNDERSUBSCRIBED AND CLASS C SPECIAL WALLEYE LICENCES

Alberta Residents Only

Available Online on a first-come first-served basis starting May 5, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

If there are not enough draw applicants to fill the quota set for the licences through the draw process, the undersubscribed licences will be made available for sale to eligible Alberta resident anglers on a first-come first-served basis.

New for 2022 Class C Walleye Special licences are no longer available through the draw process but on a on a first-come first-served basis. You can purchase your licences in one easy step!

Purchasing your Undersubscribed or Class C Licence in one easy step

- See what is available May 5 online at albertarelm.com. Purchase your licence online at the same time or go to a licence issuer the same day.
 - Before you begin the online purchase of your Special Walleye licence, you must have a pre-numbered Government of Alberta tag and wire.

Options to order tags:

- Contact Us page on AlbertaRelm.com or Mobile App
- Contact the AlbertaRelm Help Desk at 1-888-944-5494

- ▶ Standard licence restrictions apply regarding licence combinations and eligibility. For example, if you were drawn in one of the Special Walleye Licence draws, you cannot obtain a Class C Walleye special harvest licence or an additional Class A or Class B licence through the undersubscribed process
- ▶ An angler does not have to apply in the draw in order to be eligible to obtain an undersubscribed or Class C licence. Draw priorities are not affected by the acquisition of an undersubscribed licence.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: If you are drawn for a Walleye Special Harvest Licence, the authorization to purchase that licence cannot be cancelled.

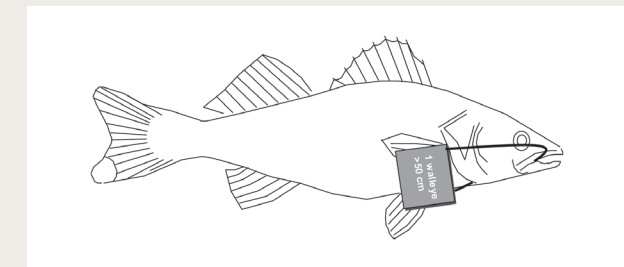
All licences and applications are Non-Refundable and Non-Transferable.

TAGGING INSTRUCTIONS

A walleye that is retained must be tagged immediately through the gill cavity and mouth with the paper tag and wire provided with the Special Walleye Licence.

To tag your walleye:

- Spread the ends of the wire loop slightly apart and insert an end into one side of the mouth, pushing it back toward the gill opening on the same side until it protrudes out from the gill cover. **Note: you may have to squeeze the wire ends close together again.**
- Remove the backing from the adhesive paper tag.
- Place the open end of the wire loop flat against one half of the adhesive side of the tag and fold the other half over, so that the adhesive sides are pressed together evenly and firmly, with the wire secured between. **Note: the open portion of the wire loop must be completely covered by the tag.**



Alberta
Government

ISSN 2371-0934
Pub. No. I/246