# **Timelines:**

April 4 - April 27 Draw applications may be purchased online for \$3.35 (plus GST) at albertarelm.com or at licence issuers.

Commencing May 8 Draw results may be viewed online at albertarelm.com.

May 11 Undersubscribed licence information available online at mywildalberta.com.

May 12, 2017 to March 15, 2018 Special Walleye Licence available for purchase online at albertarelm.com or at licence Issuers. Online paper tags and wires are available at Fish and Wildlife offices

and Licence Issuers.

May 12, 2017 9:00 a.m. to Mar. 15, 2018 midnight

Undersubscribed licences available for reservation online at albertarelm.com

(\$3.35 per application).

# **DRAW RULES**

The following table lists the fish draws available.

Type of Special Walleye Licence Draws Available	Restrictions on Applying for These Draws	Maximum Applications Allowed
Walleye (Class A)	<ul> <li>An Alberta Resident may apply for all 3 draws but may only be drawn in one.</li> </ul>	1 application for each from this list of 3.
Walleye (Class B)	Draws will be conducted in this order:  • Walleye (Class A) first, Walleye (Class B)	
Walleye (Class C)	second, and Walleye (Class C) third.  • Applicants drawn in a walleye draw will be eliminated from the subsequent draws.	

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 and is valid for 5 years.

**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 WIN is used to identify a draw applicant's priority. In the first year (2006), all draw applicants entered the draws with a 0 priority. 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 from the initial draw (2006). The priority for a group application will be based on the individual applicant whose priority is lowest.

**Choices:** An applicant can indicate up to three lake choices for each draw. The exception is if you choose "999". If you do not want to be drawn but want to increase your draw priority, use "999" 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. This report provides statistics on the number of applications, number of licences available and your chances (%) of being drawn. The website is mywildalberta.com.

Did you know that in 2016, over 22,000 Walleye Special Licence Draw applications were received from Alberta anglers by Alberta Environment and Parks? This represents a 24% increase in draw applications over 2015.

# LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

Anglers who wish to retain a walleve in one of the specified lakes is required to hold a Special Walleye Licence (including seniors, youths, and Métis people). 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.

# 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 complete a statutory declaration to authorize the replacement at a Fish and Wildlife office.

# UNDERSUBSCRIBED LICENCES

Alberta Residents Only
Available Online

May 12, 9:00 a.m. to March 15, 2018 midnight

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.

- Reserve an undersubscribed licence.
   Online: albertarelm.com
   Cost \$3.35 (plus GST) per application.
- Need your 10 digit WIN (Wildlife Identification Number). You may reserve a licence of the same kind for the same lake for up to 3 other anglers provided you have their WINs.
- 3. Need Draw Code and Draw Choice

Undersubscribed Licences (once reserved) can also be purchased online or at licence issuers.

The latest date you can buy your licence is March 15, 2018

- ▶ Normal 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 another licence through the undersubscribed process.
- An angler does not have to apply in the draw in order to be eligible to obtain an undersubscribed licence. Draw priorities are not affected by the acquisition of an undersubscribed licence.

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

Online tags are available at your local Fish and Wildlife office and licence issuers.

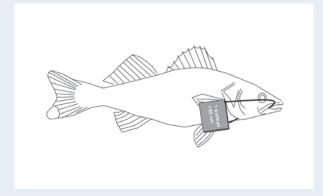
# **TAGGING INSTRUCTIONS**

A walleye that is retained must be <u>tagged immediately</u> <u>through the gill cavity and mouth</u> 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.





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# 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 a Licence"; 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.

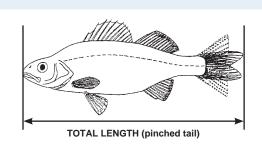
**Draw application(s) purchase complete:** The online draw application is entered immediately into the draw database. You should review each of your draw applications and ensure all the information is accurate.

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**

# DRAW APPLICATION WORKSHEET

#### **How to Apply**

Apply online at albertarelm.com or at a licence issuer

## FIRST APPLICATION (1 Application per Draw)



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Do Not Select a 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> choice if your 1<sup>st</sup> choice is '999'. Selecting '999' is considered an application and normal application restrictions apply.

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# **Special Walleye Licence Draws:**

Draw Code:	Draw:
60	Walleye (Class A)
61	Walleye (Class B)
62	Walleye (Class C)

# 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 followed by the Walleye (Class C) draw. Applicants drawn in a walleye draw will be eliminated from the subsequent draws.

# DRAW CODE 60 - 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	Enter 1 of these Choices
Pigeon	701
Wolf (66-7-W4)	702
Newell	703
Long (63-19-W4)	709

Lake	Enter 1 of these Choices
Pinehurst	710
Lac Ste Anne	713
Fawcett	720

Lake	Enter 1 of these Choices
Gull	721
Bourque	723
Lac La Biche	725

# DRAW CODE 61 - Walleye (Class B)

This licence authorizes the holder to retain **3 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	Enter 1 of these Choices
Pigeon	701
Wolf (66-7-W4)	702
Garner	708
Long (63-19-W4)	709
Pinehurst	710

Lake	Enter 1 of these Choices
Baptiste	711
Lac Ste Anne	713
Elinor	716
Whitefish	717
losegun	718

Lake	Enter 1 of these Choices
Smoke	719
Fawcett	720
Lac Bellvue	722
Bourque	723
Hilda	724

## DRAW CODE 62 – Walleye (Class C)

This licence authorizes the holder to retain **3 walleye under 43 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	Enter 1 of these Choices
Pigeon	701
Wolf (66-7-W4)	702
Newell	703
Long (63-19-W4)	709

Lake	Enter 1 of these Choices
Baptiste	711
Lac Ste Anne	713
losegun	718
Smoke	719

Lake	Enter 1 of these Choices
Fawcett	720
Bourque	723
Hilda	724

# 2017 Special Walleye Licence Draws

Draw Application Period is Tuesday, April 4 to Thursday, April 27, 2017

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

# **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.info-centre@qov.ab.ca



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

