

**NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 451 of 1994**

**324.43525b Waterfowl hunting license; requirements; fee; issuance as stamp; use of fees; electronic display.**

Sec. 43525b. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this part, an individual 16 years of age or older shall not hunt waterfowl without a current waterfowl hunting license issued by this state. The annual license requirement is in addition to the requirements for a base license and federal migratory bird hunting stamp. The fee for the waterfowl hunting license is \$12.00.

(2) If issued as a stamp, a waterfowl hunting license shall be affixed to the base license of the individual and signed across the face of the stamp by the individual to whom it is issued.

(3) A collector may purchase a waterfowl hunting license, if it is issued as a stamp, without being required to place it on a base license, sign across its face, or provide proof of competency under section 43520(2). However, a license described in this subsection is not valid for hunting waterfowl.

(4) From the fee collected for each waterfowl hunting license, the department shall use the following amounts:

(a) \$9.00 shall be used to acquire, restore, or enhance wetlands and other lands to be managed for the benefit of waterfowl. Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, not more than 0.25% of the money under this subdivision shall be used to acquire lands. However, if all of the money appropriated from the natural resources trust fund for eco-region acquisition carried over from previous fiscal years is spent, then the 0.25% limitation under this subdivision does not apply. The department shall not acquire land under this subdivision until that acquisition is approved by the joint capital outlay subcommittee.

(b) \$1.93 shall be used to operate, maintain, and develop managed waterfowl areas in this state.

(c) The remaining amount shall be retained under section 43541 or used for administration of this part.

(5) Not later than March 1, 2018, the department shall develop an electronic license that allows an individual to display an electronic copy of his or her Michigan waterfowl hunting license using an electronic device.

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