

2020 E-Waterfowl Registration and Draw Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

- **When and where will the registration forms be available?**
The registration forms will be available on the Parks and Recreation website at: <http://www.stancounty.com/Parks/duck-hunting.shtm> on Monday, July 6, 2020.
- **How much is the registration fee?**
The registration fee will remain the same as prior years: **\$45 per person, per reservoir.**
- **Where do I find my hunting license number?**
It's the eleven digit number that starts with the letter "D" and it's located below the barcode on your license. *****DO NOT use the "GO ID" number*****
- **How do we pay the \$45 registration fee?**
Currently, online payment is not available. When paying for registration, be prepared to provide the following information*:
 - Hunter's name
 - Hunter's phone number
 - Hunter's Hunting License number (i.e. D-0000000000-1)
 - Which reservoir's registration you are paying for

To pay for your registration fee, you can choose one of the following options:

- 1) Mail in a check to the following address:

Stanislaus County Parks & Recreation
ATTN: Waterfowl Blind Draw
3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite D
Modesto, CA 95358

[Checks must be payable to Stanislaus County Parks & Recreation.](#)

Please be sure to include the above information* of who the check amount is for. If one check is including payment for multiple people/registrations, you MUST INCLUDE THE NAME(S), PHONE NUMBER(S), AND HUNTING LICENSE NUMBER(S) FOR EACH PERSON INCLUDED IN PAYMENT, in order for us to keep track of whose registration payment has been received.

- 2) Visit our office at the address above, during business hours (Monday through Friday 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.) to pay via credit card or cash.

We cannot take credit card payments over the phone at this time

Please note that **EACH PERSON IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SUBMITTING THEIR OWN REGISTRATION FORM** even if someone else is covering your registration fee or you are paying for someone else's registration fee.

➤ **How do I know payment for my registration has been received?**

A regularly updated Google Doc will list the status of registration submissions based on Hunting License numbers. You can find this document on our website, <http://www.stancounty.com/Parks/duck-hunting.shtm>.

If you don't see your license number on this list, but you submitted a registration form and made your payment, send an email to parks-admin@parksrec.org **before August 5th** and attach a copy of your payment receipt. Once we verify that your payment was received by the deadline, your registration will be entered by the coordinator.

➤ **Can I pay with a check?**

Yes, but it must reach our office by the payment deadline: Wednesday, August 5th, 2020, by 4:00 p.m.

➤ **Will I need to complete a separate form for each reservoir?**

YES, a SEPARATE REGISTRATION FORM FOR EACH RESERVOIR is needed in order for the system to separate each registration form by reservoir and to make it easier to find and verify your registration for either or both reservoirs.

➤ **How will the Waterfowl Coordinator know who the hunters/registrants are that I am paying for?**

You must include this information (including name, phone number, and Hunting License number of each registrant being included in the payment) when mailing in a check to our office, or be prepared to provide the information if you come in person to the office to pay.

➤ **What if I forget to pay after completing my registration form?**

Payments must be received for your registration to be complete and valid for submission into the draw. **Payments are due no later than Wednesday, August 5th, 2020, at 4:00 p.m.**

➤ **How will the selection of registrants work?**

The Microsoft program will randomly assign all registrants a number. Numbers are randomly assigned from 1 through however many registrations we received for each reservoir (example: 1 through 400). This is how the priority is set by the system (same as if the registration cards were pulled from the drums). This is done by an independent staff member in our Department who has no personal interest in the draw nor does this person know or is familiar with anyone participating in the draw.

- **How many will be chosen for Modesto Reservoir? How many for Woodward Reservoir?**
23 for Modesto (20 spots and 3 alternates) and 19 for Woodward (16 spots and 3 alternates).
- **Will there be a list published of all the winners in order of reservoir choice and will they be listed by name or hunting license number?**
Yes, the list of the top 23 names for Modesto Reservoir and the top 19 names for Woodward Reservoir will be published on our website:
<http://www.stancounty.com/Parks/duck-hunting.shtm>.
- **Will two people still be allowed at the time of pinning?**
Yes, in the order of their draw pick.
- **What does "Last Day to Select Remaining Blind Sites" mean on the 2020 Waterfowl Calendar as listed for August 21st?**
The registrants that were drawn in the top 20 + 3 alternates for Modesto Reservoir and the top 16 + 3 alternates for Woodward Reservoir must attend the pinning on August 15th at 9:00 a.m. at Woodward Reservoir and 1:00 p.m. at Modesto Reservoir. If additional sites remain after all the pinning is completed on August 15th, those sites will be available for the first-come, first-serve registrants by appointment. August 21st is the last day to pin for the first-come, first-serve requests.
- **So if all the pinning (up to the limited number of blinds allowed) is not accomplished on August 15th, will we have the opportunity to pin a site (by appointment) until August 21st?**
Yes.
- **How will the first-come, first-serve work?**
First-come, first-serve is only for the blind locations that the first 23 (Modesto Reservoir) and 19 (Woodward Reservoir) do not want. Normally there is not a lot of interest in these spots. After the pinning on Saturday, photos of the pinned maps for each reservoir will be posted on the Stanislaus County Parks & Recreation Facebook page: www.facebook.com/stancountyparks.

Registrants who want to request one of the blind locations that are left over, will call the reservoirs' entrance stations and leave a message to let staff know they want to select a blind location. Remaining blinds will be selected on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Modesto Reservoir Blind Selection Procedure:

Modesto Reservoir staff will be available Monday, August 17th through Friday, August 21st from 7:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. to assist anyone interested in selection of any remaining Modesto Reservoir blinds.

Woodward Reservoir Blind Selection Procedure:

Woodward Reservoir staff will be available from 7:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday, August 17th through Friday, August 21st to assist anyone interested in selection of any remaining Woodward Reservoir blinds.

You must bring your photo ID to verify you are over 18 years of age. You also must bring your current valid hunting license and cash or check for payment of fees.

➤ **Where at the reservoirs will the pinning take place exactly on August 15th?**

Woodward Reservoir: Woodward Office at 9:00 a.m.

Modesto Reservoir: Marina Area in the Old Sheriff's Office at 1:00 p.m.

(Parks staff reserves the right to move the location in extenuating circumstances.)

➤ **What is the cost I would have to pay up front if I win the draw?**

A **non-refundable** waterfowl blind **permit fee of \$400** will be charged. This fee allows the permittee unlimited entry and launch pass privileges for one vehicle and one boat during the season. (Pursuant to Stanislaus County Code Section 18.12.050)

A **refundable** Blind Removal **deposit of \$300** fee will be charged. The deposit shall be refunded to the applicant upon proper removal of the blind. (Pursuant to Stanislaus County Code Section 18.12.050)