

HUNTNS

Online Services for Hunters and Furharvesters

E-Licensing Pilot 2026

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Before You Begin

In the Fall of 2026, the Department began a pilot project for the online purchase of select licenses through e-licensing. This includes a new E-Licensing section in the updated HuntNS system.

To assist with the roll-out of this pilot project, this document contains supporting material for the public to purchase their licenses online.

For assistance with MyNS Account login, Two-Step Verification (2SV) or account issues:

! For My NS Account login, 2SV or account issues:

- Please call 1-844-322-9375
- Our support team is available to help with any questions you have about your My NS Account
- Hours of Operation: Monday to Friday, 8:00am - 8:00pm AT

For more information, visit the [About My NS Account](#) page.

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About My NS Account

My NS Account is the Government of Nova Scotia's secure online service, allowing citizens to:

- create a single account to access multiple online provincial services
- verify personal information for online services that require it

On this page

- [Creating your account](#)
- [2-step verification](#)
- [Information to prove who you are](#)
- [Managing your account](#)
- [Troubleshooting access to your account](#)
- [Privacy and security](#)

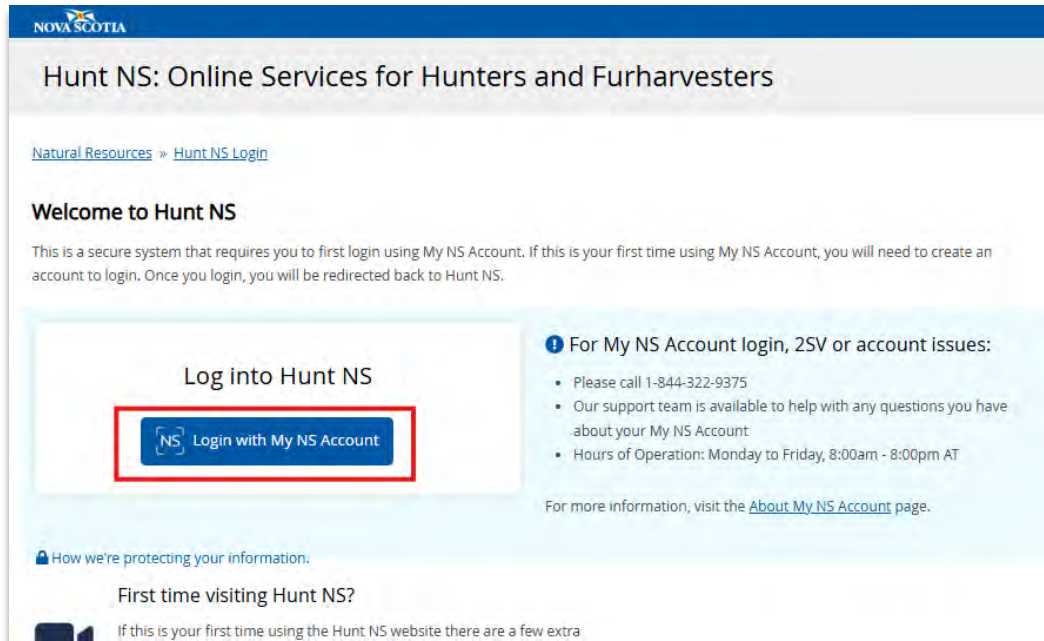
Creating your account

To create a My NS Account, you must first access a participating service. The participating service takes you

Logging In

Using your web browser go to: <https://huntns.ca>

Click **Login with MyNS Account**:



Hunt NS: Online Services for Hunters and Furharvesters

[Natural Resources](#) » [Hunt NS Login](#)

Welcome to Hunt NS

This is a secure system that requires you to first login using My NS Account. If this is your first time using My NS Account, you will need to create an account to login. Once you login, you will be redirected back to Hunt NS.

Log into Hunt NS

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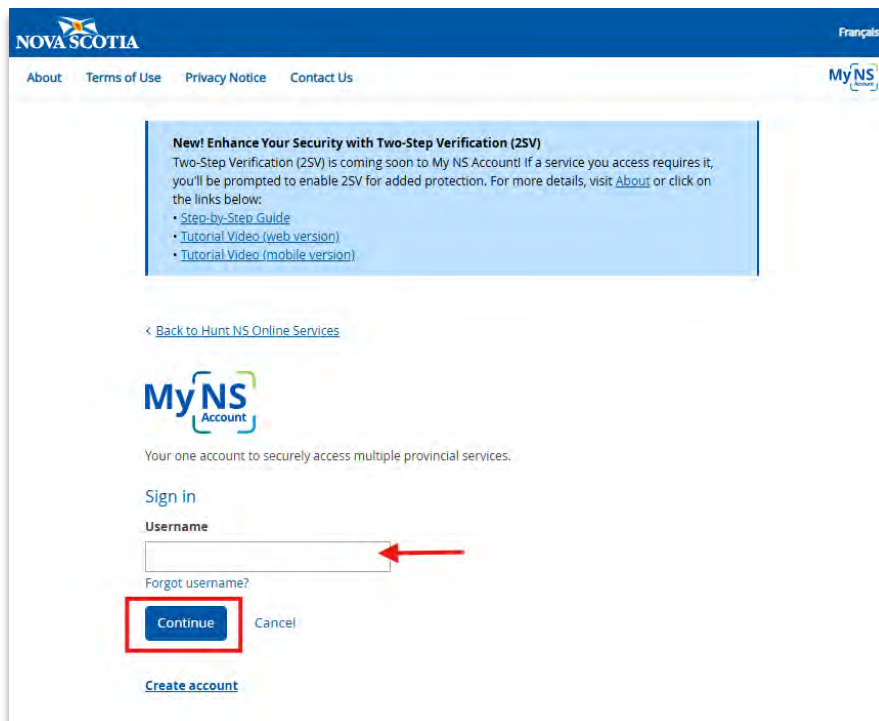
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How we're protecting your information.

First time visiting Hunt NS?

If this is your first time using the Hunt NS website there are a few extra

Next, enter your MyNS Account Username



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MyNS Account

New! Enhance Your Security with Two-Step Verification (2SV)

Two-Step Verification (2SV) is coming soon to My NS Account! If a service you access requires it, you'll be prompted to enable 2SV for added protection. For more details, visit [About](#) or click on the links below:

- [Step-by-Step Guide](#)
- [Tutorial Video \(web version\)](#)
- [Tutorial Video \(mobile version\)](#)

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MyNS Account

Your one account to securely access multiple provincial services.

Sign in

Username

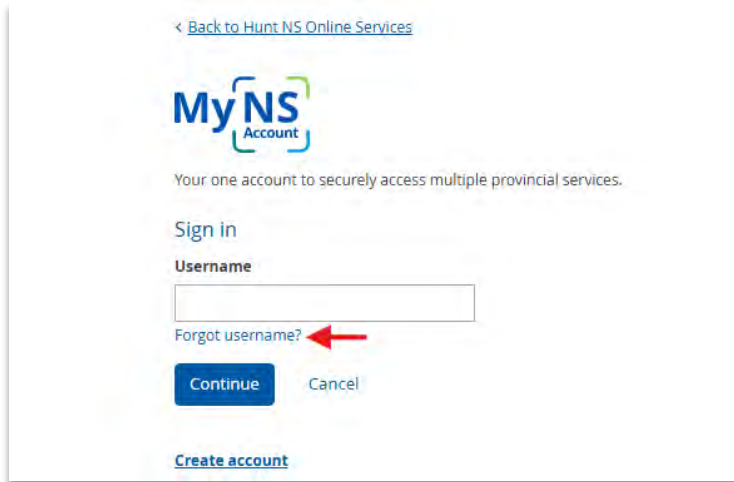
[Forgot username?](#)

Continue [Cancel](#)

[Create account](#)

Click **Continue**

If you do not know your username, click **Forgot username?**:



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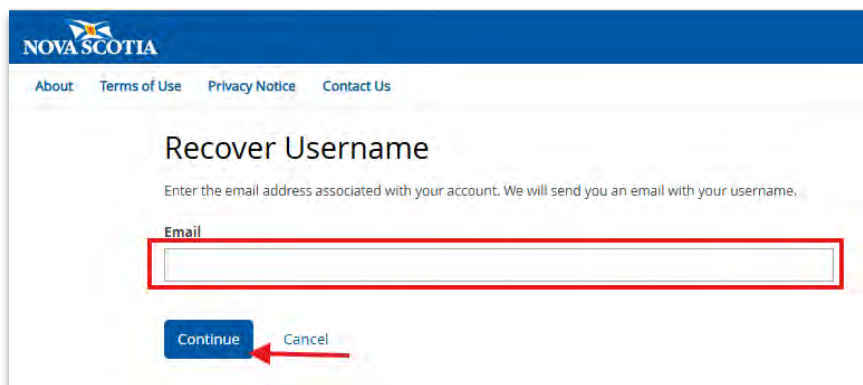
Username

[Forgot username?](#)

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[Create account](#)

Enter your email address and click **Continue**:



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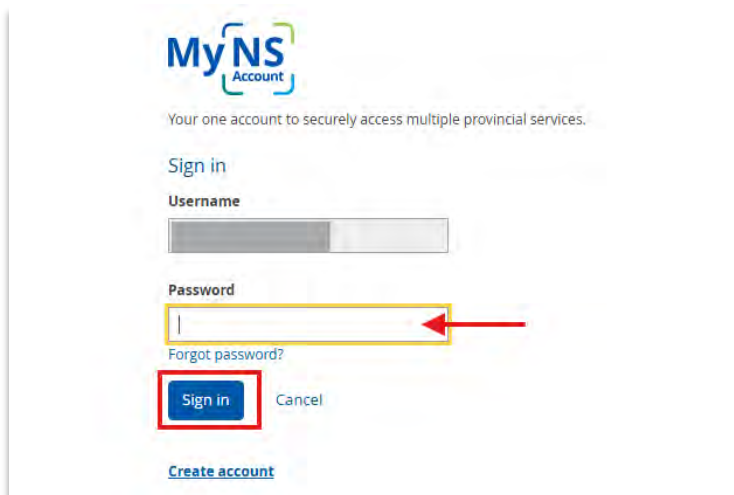
Recover Username

Enter the email address associated with your account. We will send you an email with your username.

Email

[Continue](#) [Cancel](#)

Next enter your MyNS Account Password and click **Sign in**:



MyNS
Account

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Username

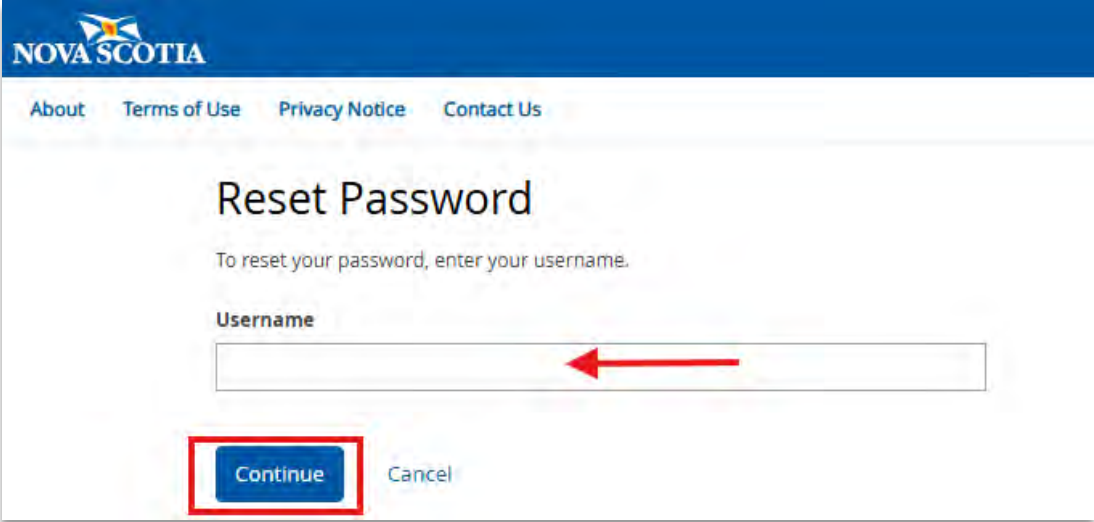
Password

[Forgot password?](#)

[Sign in](#) [Cancel](#)

[Create account](#)

If you do not know your MyNS Account Password, click **Forgot Password?** :



The screenshot shows the Nova Scotia government website's 'Reset Password' page. At the top is a blue header with the Nova Scotia logo and navigation links: 'About', 'Terms of Use', 'Privacy Notice', and 'Contact Us'. The main heading is 'Reset Password'. Below it, a subheading reads 'To reset your password, enter your username.' A text input field labeled 'Username' is present, with a red arrow pointing to it from the right. Below the input field are two buttons: a blue 'Continue' button, which is highlighted with a red rectangular border, and a grey 'Cancel' button.

Enter your MyNS Account Username and click **Continue**

Client Dashboard – “Licenses & E-Licensing”

Once you are logged in, locate the **Licenses & E-Licensing (NEW)** tile on your Client Dashboard:

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[Natural Resources](#) » [Dashboard](#)

Your Hunt NS Dashboard (WRC # [redacted])

Wildlife Resources Card (WRC) Profile

The Wildlife Resources Card (WRC) is a wallet-sized identification card issued to eligible persons who wish to engage in various activities licensed or authorized under the Wildlife Act and Regulations.

- [Update your address / contact information](#)
- [Request a name change](#)
- [Order a Wildlife Resources Card / Print Temporary Card](#)

Latest News & Notifications

[View Details](#)

2026 Antlerless Deer Draw Opens July 6, 2026!

Jun 17, 2026 2026 Antlerless Deer Draw Opens Online Monday, July 6, 2026, 12:00AM Closes Online Friday, July 31, 2026, 11:59PM

Hunter Education & Certifications

To hunt in Nova Scotia, you require the proper certifications. You can add a new certification by taking a course from our Hunter Education program, or by adding a certification you received from another province.

- [View your current certifications](#)
- [Register online for a new course](#)
- [Add a certification from another province or country](#)
- [Provide proof of Possession and Acquisition License \(PAL\)](#)
- [Add a Nova Scotia Course Completion Card \(only for courses taken prior to March 1, 2025\)](#)

Licenses & E-Licensing (NEW)

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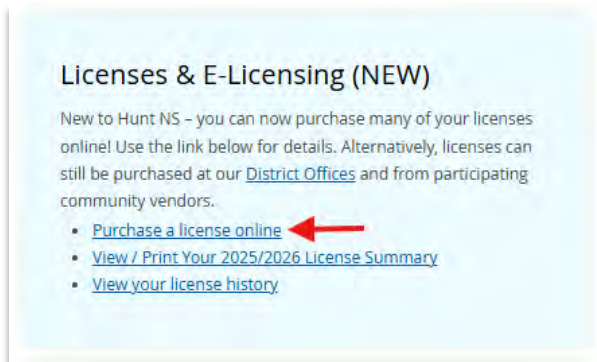
- [Purchase a license online](#)
- [View / Print Your 2025/2026 License Summary](#)
- [View your license history](#)

Clients are now able to:

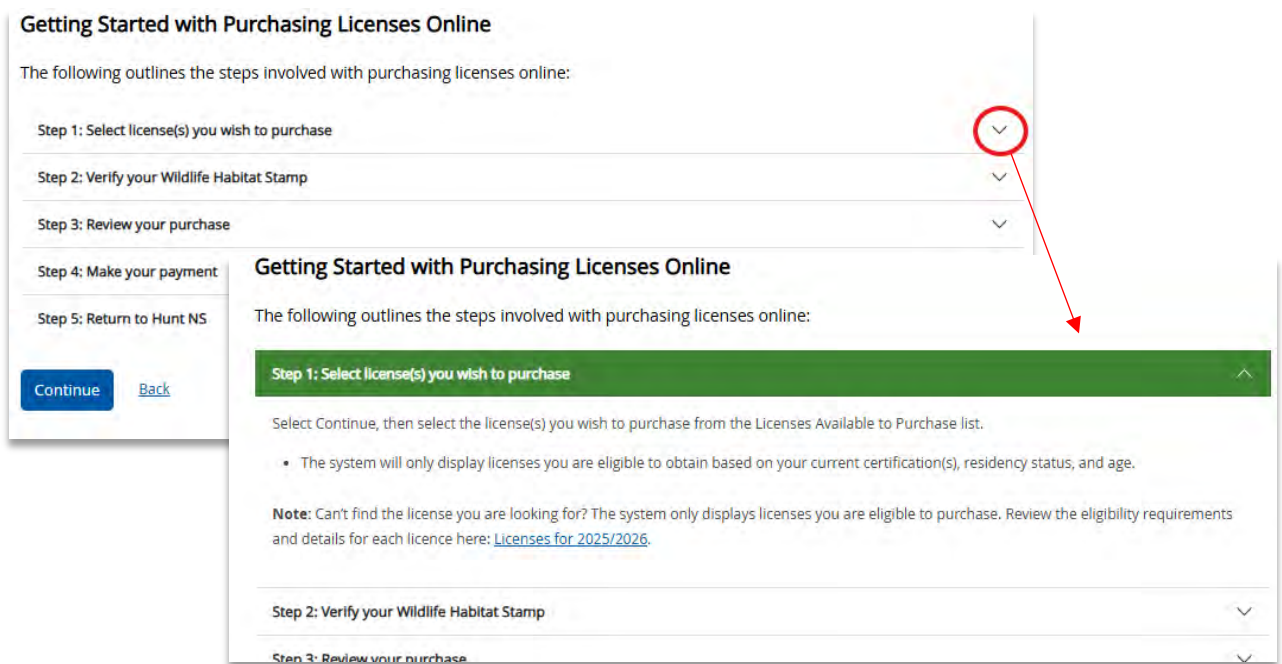
- Purchase a license online (selected licenses available)
- View/Print Your **[Current Hunting Year] HuntNS - License Summary Page**
- View your license history

Purchase a License Online

To purchase a license online, you will need to click on the **Purchase a license online** hyperlink:



The **Getting Started with Purchasing Licenses Online** page will now be displayed. The online purchasing process consists of five steps. To review each step before you begin your purchase, expand each section using the arrow:



You can also click the hyperlink **Licenses for [Current Hunting Year]** to see a full list of licenses available online. Licenses for 2026/2027 include the Wildlife Habitat Stamp (WHS), Small Game Stamp, Furharvester Stamp, and the annual Guide License.

Once you have reviewed the descriptions, click **Continue** to start your purchase.

Step 1: Select License(s) you wish to Purchase

You will now see all licenses that are available to purchase – your screen will only show you the licenses available based on your current certifications.

[Natural Resources](#) » [Dashboard](#) » [Licenses](#) » Select To Purchase

Licenses Available to Purchase (2025/2026)

Select the license(s) you would like to purchase.

The Wildlife Habitat Stamp is required and must be included in your initial purchase, unless it has already been purchased electronically or at a retail location.

Selection	License Name	Description	Price (includes HST)
☐	Wildlife Habitat Stamp	Yearly, mandatory stamp required to purchase any hunting or trapping licence.	\$5.15
☐	Furharvester	Resident licence allowing trapping and hunting of furbearing animals during open seasons.	\$24.13
☐	Small Game - Resident	Resident licence to hunt small game species (also required for hunting migratory game birds).	\$19.68

Showing 1 to 3 of 3 entries

[Continue](#) [Cancel](#)

What if you only see the Wildlife Habitat Stamp available – where are the other hunting licenses?

The system only displays licenses you are eligible to purchase. Please check your certification(s). On the dashboard, under **Hunter Education & Certifications**, select **View your current certifications**:

Hunter Education & Certifications

To hunt in Nova Scotia, you require the proper certifications. You can add a new certification by taking a course from our Hunter Education program, or by adding a certification you received from another province.

- [View your current certifications](#)
- [Register online for a new course](#)
- [Add a certification from another province or country](#)
- [Provide proof of Possession and Acquisition License \(PAL\)](#)
- [Add a Nova Scotia Course Completion Card \(only for courses taken prior to March 1, 2025\)](#)

[Natural Resources](#) » [Dashboard](#) » [Education](#) » [Certifications](#)

Your Certifications

Code	Name	Added to Card
HT	Hunter Education	Pending CFSC Documentation

Showing 1 to 1 of 1 entries

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Under the **Added to Card**, the system will advise if you still need to submit supporting documentation for your certifications to be finalized.

Select the licenses you would like to purchase by clicking the box next to the **License Name**. In this example, the Wildlife Habitat Stamp and Small Game – Resident licenses have been selected:

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Showing 1 to 3 of 3 entries

[Continue](#) [Cancel](#)

Click **Continue**

Step 2: Verify your Wildlife Habitat Stamp

This step will only be displayed if you have **not** selected the Wildlife Habitat Stamp in the previous step.

If you have already purchased a physical Wildlife Habitat Stamp at a Private Retail Vendor or Natural Resources Office, enter the stamp number in the box:

The screenshot shows a web form titled "Add Wildlife Habitat Stamp" with a breadcrumb trail: "Natural Resources » Dashboard » Licenses » Add Wildlife Habitat Stamp". The main heading is "Do you have a Wildlife Habitat Stamp for 2025/2026?". Below this, a message states: "If a Wildlife Habitat Stamp was already purchased, please enter the number located on the stamp below OR select the checkbox to add the Wildlife Habitat Stamp to your purchase." The form has two main sections. The first section, "Yes, I have a Wildlife Habitat Stamp", is highlighted with a red box and contains a text input field for the "Wildlife Habitat Stamp Number". The second section, "No, I do not have a Wildlife Habitat Stamp", contains a checkbox labeled "Include the Wildlife Habitat Stamp (\$5.15) in this purchase." and "Continue" and "Cancel" buttons. A red arrow points from the input field in the first section to a physical "2026 Wildlife Habitat Stamp" on the right. The stamp is from Nova Scotia Natural Resources, has the number "26-09648" (highlighted with a red box), and includes fields for Name, Wildlife Resources Card ID #, Date of Issue (26/27), Signature of Licensee, and Address. It also notes "For Non Residents Only".

If you do not have a Wildlife Habitat Stamp, you will need to purchase one. You can click the box to include it in your current purchase:

This is a close-up of the "No, I do not have a Wildlife Habitat Stamp" section of the form, which is highlighted with a red box. It includes the text: "You need a Wildlife Habitat Stamp to complete this purchase. Check the box below to include it, or cancel to go back to the previous screen." Below this text is a checked checkbox (indicated by a blue checkmark) next to the label "Include the Wildlife Habitat Stamp (\$5.15) in this purchase." A red arrow points to the checked checkbox. At the bottom of the section are "Continue" and "Cancel" buttons.

Click **Continue**

Step 3: Review Your Purchase

You will now see the **Review Your Purchase Summary** page:

[Natural Resources](#) » [Dashboard](#) » [Licenses](#) » Review Purchase

Review Your Purchase Summary

Please review your selected item(s) for purchase to make sure they are correct. To make changes or cancel, select Return to Selection. If everything is correct, select Continue to Payment. By continuing, you agree to the Terms and Conditions below and will be directed to NS Pay to complete your purchase.

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Wildlife Habitat Stamp	Yearly, mandatory stamp required to purchase any hunting or trapping licence.	\$5.15
Small Game - Resident	Resident licence to hunt small game species (also required for hunting migratory game birds).	\$19.68
Total Fee:		\$24.83

Terms & Conditions

- The payment information you enter is not retained and is used solely for the purpose of purchasing licenses online.
- This online process is provided as a convenience for individuals wishing to purchase certain licenses online.
- The Department of Natural Resources does not guarantee or warranty its results.

[Continue to Payment](#) [Return to Selection](#)

Review the details of your selected license(s), and associated fees before proceeding to payment.

If you need to make a change, select the **Return to Selection** to go to the previous screen.

You will have an opportunity to review and confirm your purchase prior to payment.

Click **Continue to Payment**

Step 4: Make Your Payment

Payment processing is completed through the Province of Nova Scotia's secure online payment system. Online payments must be made using a valid credit card (VISA, MasterCard, Discovery Card or American Express).

Enter your payment information:

Natural Resources

Where should we email your receipt?

Total Fee: **CAD \$24.83**

Email:

Enter your card information:

Card Number:

Expiry Date: Month: Year:

Security Code:

Pay Now [Cancel](#)

 Notice: Interac Online was discontinued on October 29, 2023. Click [here](#) for more information.

Privacy and Security

Personal information you provide online to the Nova Scotia Pay (NS Pay) service is collected under the authority of the Nova Scotia Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIPOP) Act.

We collect your e-mail address, payment card number, payment card expiry date and payment card security code (or CVV) in order to:

- Accept and process payments for Nova Scotia Provincial Government (PNS) services that you wish to use. We do not see or have access to your payment card information. Payments are processed by a third-party vendor who adheres to the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS)
- Send you receipts, confirmations or error notifications regarding the payments you make through the NS Pay service to the email address you have provided
- Administer support activities, such as processing refunds and investigating payment transactions when necessary

We will use and disclose your personal information only for the purposes described above, or in the following circumstances: a) if we are authorized by law to do so, or b) if we obtain your consent.

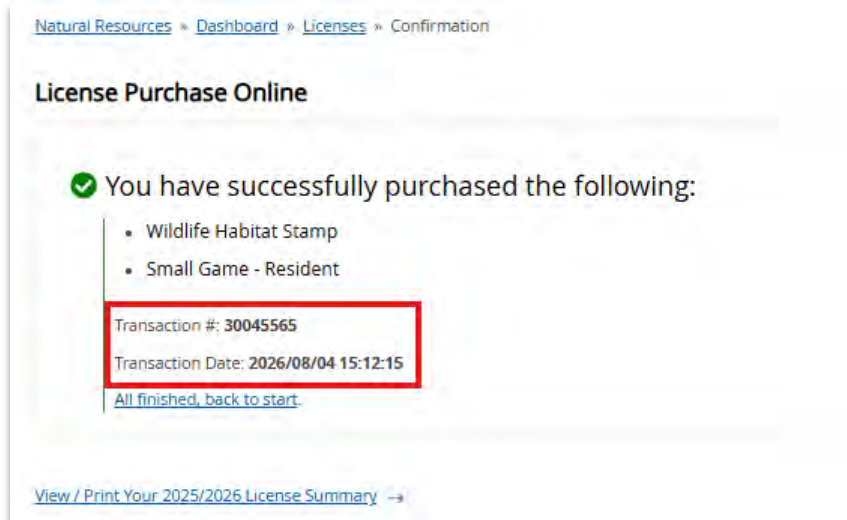
By using NS Pay (or contacting us through any of our official channels), you acknowledge that you understand the collection, use, and disclosure of any personal information you provide to us is for the purpose of processing your payment or request.

To read more about how government respects your privacy when interacting with us review our [full privacy statement](#). For questions about how your personal information is handled by NS Pay, you may contact nsplay@novascotia.ca

Click **Pay Now**

Confirmation of Payment

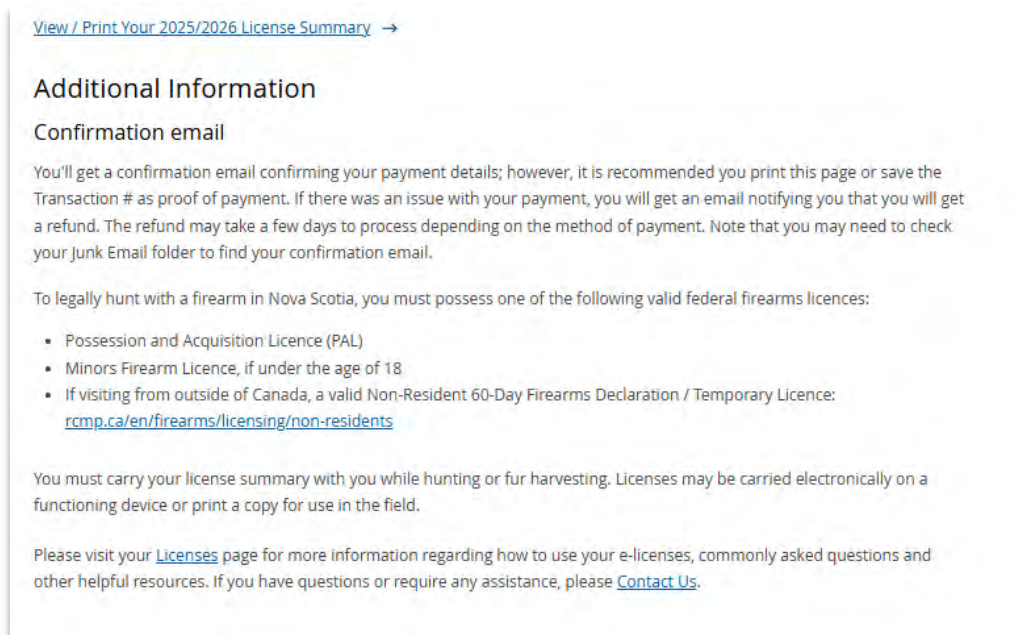
You will now see the **License Purchase Online** page:



Your Transaction number is listed, along with the date and time.

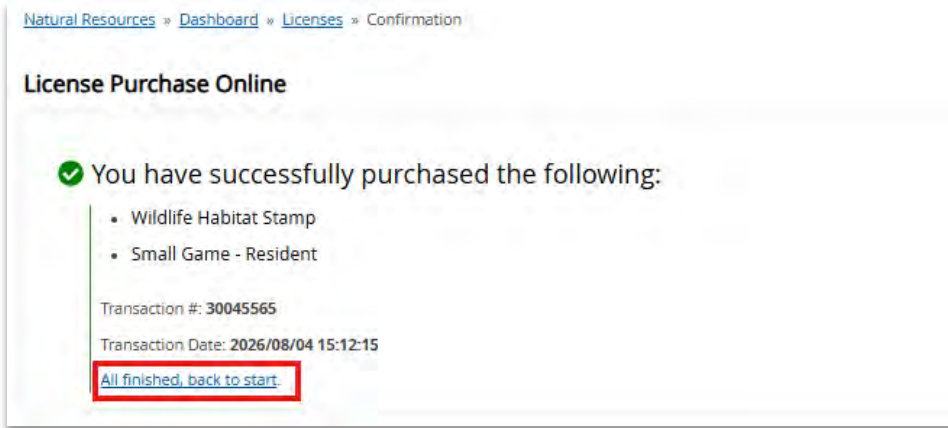
Confirmation Email

Before you return to the start or view/print your summary, please review the **Additional Information** located below the confirmation of payment:

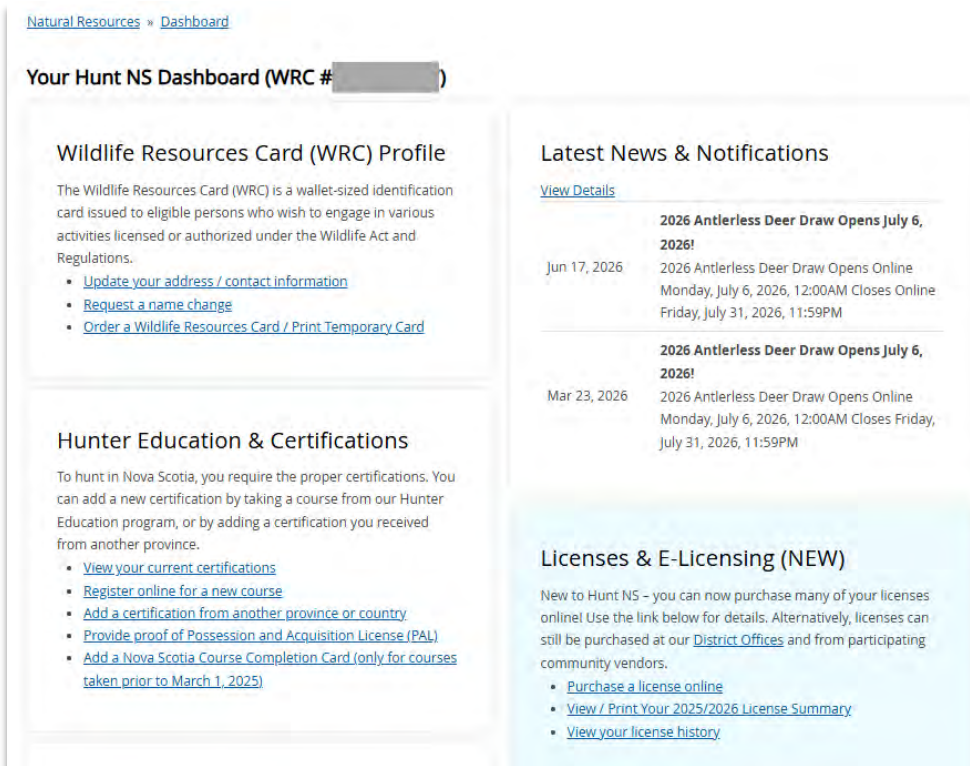


Step 5: Return to HuntNS

To return to the HuntNS Dashboard, select **All finished, back to start:**



You will now be taken back to the Dashboard:



Important Reminders:

- You must carry your **HuntNS - License Summary Page** with you while hunting or fur harvesting in either electronic form (screenshot or pdf) on a functioning device or print a copy for use in the field.
- Please ensure any required licenses, tags and your Wildlife Resources Card are carried with you at all times.

View/Print Your License Summary

To print your **HuntNS - License Summary Page**, select **View/Print Your ####/#### License Summary** from either the Confirmation of Payment page, or from the Dashboard:

[Natural Resources](#) » [Dashboard](#) » [Licenses](#) » Confirmation

License Purchase Online

✔ You have successfully purchased the following:

- Wildlife Habitat Stamp
- Small Game - Resident

Transaction #: 30045565
Transaction Date: 2026/08/04 15:12:15
[All finished, back to start](#)

[View / Print Your 2025/2026 License Summary](#) →

Licenses & E-Licensing (NEW)

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- [View / Print Your 2025/2026 License Summary](#)
- [View your license history](#)

You will then see a summary of your licenses that you can either save digitally (screenshot or PDF) on your functioning device or print to carry with you:

NOVA SCOTIA **Hunt NS – License Summary (2025/2026)**

Date: August 4, 2026 12:00 AM
Issued By: Department of Natural Resources
Client: (WRC#)
Address:
Type: RESIDENT
Certification: HT FT CT

This document is an electronic proof of purchase. It ensures that the individual has obtained required hunting and trapping license(s) for which one is qualified.

License Year	License	License #	Date Issued
2025/2026	Wildlife Habitat Stamp	26-2000071	August 4, 2026 3:12 PM
2025/2026	Small Game - Resident	26-1600035	August 4, 2026 3:12 PM

To legally hunt with a firearm in Nova Scotia, you must possess one of the following valid federal firearms licences:

- Possession and Acquisition Licence (PAL)
- Minors Firearms Licence, if under the age of 18
- If visiting from outside of Canada, a valid Non-Resident 60-Day Firearms Declaration / Temporary Licence: <https://rcmp.ca/en/firearms/licensing/non-residents>

This proof must be carried with you while engaged in hunting / trapping activities. If you make changes to your licences, be sure to capture (screenshot or print a copy) an updated License Summary. You must carry the most current version of your License Summary.

[Print or Save as PDF](#) [Back to Dashboard](#)

Using a Cell Phone?
Take a screenshot to save a copy to your phone!

To print or save as a PDF, click the **Print or Save as PDF** button.

Purchase Remaining Licenses In-Person

For the E-Licensing pilot project, you will need to visit a Natural Resources Office or Private Retail Vendor to purchase licenses not included in this phase of the pilot. For example: Archery/Muzzleloader Deer, General Deer, Bear Hunting, or Bear Snaring stamps.

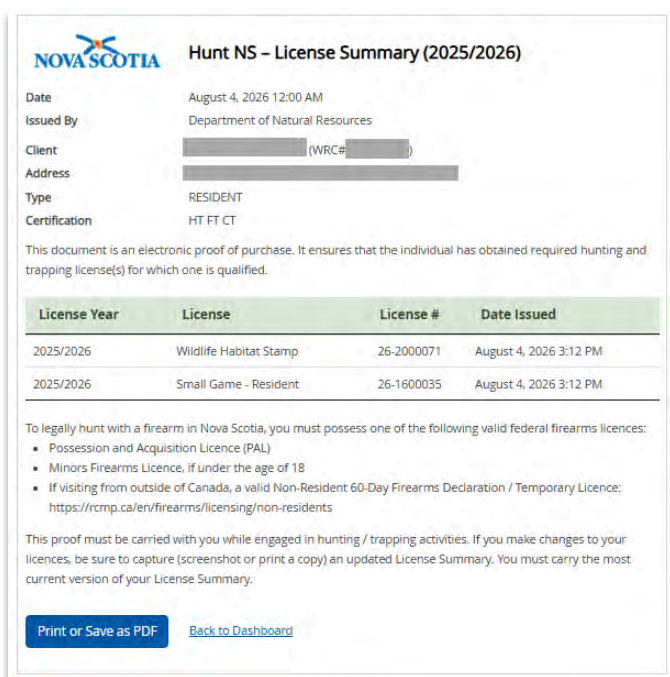
Required Documentation When Buying Additional in-person Licenses

You will need to bring your **HuntNS - Licence Summary Page** (photo, pdf, print) and your physical Wildlife Resources Card (with certifications).

Important:

It is the hunter's responsibility to ensure they can produce all required licenses, certifications, and identification while in the field.

If you choose to carry your documentation electronically, you are responsible for ensuring it remains accessible, even in areas without cellular service or if your mobile device loses power.



The image shows a printout of the 'Hunt NS - License Summary (2025/2026)' page. It includes the Nova Scotia logo and a header. The page contains personal information fields (Date, Issued By, Client, Address, Type, Certification) and a table of issued licenses. Below the table, there is a section for legal requirements for hunting with a firearm and a footer with 'Print or Save as PDF' and 'Back to Dashboard' buttons.

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2025/2026	Small Game - Resident	26-1600035	August 4, 2026 3:12 PM

Figure 1: Print copy of your *HuntNS - License Summary Page*

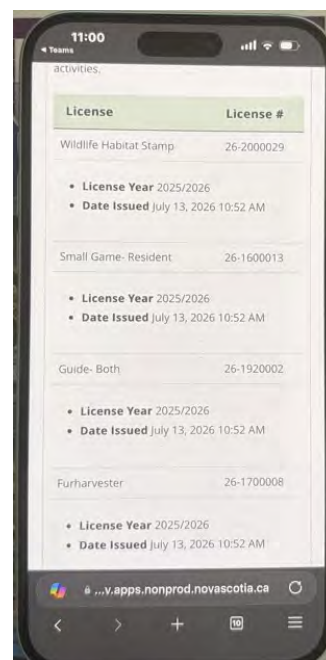


Figure 2: Screenshot saved to phone

Keep **both** the **HuntNS - License Summary Page** and any issued paper licenses for your records and have them available when purchasing additional licenses or engaging in hunting activities.

Required Documentation While Hunting

- Your **HuntNS - License Summary Page**, downloaded as a PDF or saved as a screenshot so it can be accessed without cellular service.
- Any **physical licenses or stamps** purchased before or after obtaining an electronic license.
- Your **Wildlife Resources Card (WRC)**, displaying your unique 9-digit Wildlife Resources Client ID and any applicable certifications.
- If hunting with a firearm, your valid **Possession and Acquisition Licence (PAL)**.

Important Note:

If you are hunting with a firearm, you must carry your valid Possession and Acquisition Licence (PAL). If someone in your hunting party does not have a PAL, they may only use a firearm while under the direct and immediate supervision of a licensed individual, in accordance with the Firearms Act.

For more information, visit the RCMP's Borrowing Firearms in Canada page:

<https://rcmp.ca/en/firearms/licensing/non-residents>