



APPLICATION FOR GOVERNOR’S HUNT PERMITS

for the 2026/2027 license year

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MONDAY, MAY 19, 2025, AT 5:00 P.M.

Organization Information

Full Legal Organization Name					
Chapter					
Mailing Address					
City		State		Zip Code	
Organization Website URL					

Contact Information

Chapter Contact Person		Title	
Primary Phone Number		Alt. Phone Number	
Email Address		Alt. Email Address	
<i>*If you are not authorized to legally sign documents on behalf of your organization, please list below, the individual who is authorized*</i>			
Organization Representative		Title	
Primary Phone Number		Alt. Phone Number	
Email Address		Alt. Email Address	

Governor’s Permit Preference: Refer to Appendix A (page 10) for hunt options

		CHOOSE ONE		CHOOSE ONE <i>*Most organizations are only eligible for the Big Game Program*</i>	
	PERMIT NAME (ex: SC590)	AUCTION	RAFFLE	BIG GAME	PARTNERSHIP
1ST CHOICE					
2ND CHOICE					
3RD CHOICE					
4TH CHOICE					
5TH CHOICE					

Event Information (if permit is for auction)

The department must receive report form and revenue by June 13, 2026, to ensure hunter receives their permit in time for the season.

Date of Event					
Event Venue Name					
Address					
City		State		Zip Code	

Proposed Raffle Dates and Information

The department must receive report form and revenue by June 13, 2026, to ensure hunter receives their permit in time for the season.

Estimated Raffle Dates			
Website URL			
Raffle package details (if applicable)			
Estimated Ticket Cost		Number of Tickets Available	

Fundraising Experience

**During the past five years only, what is the most money you have raised (net revenue) for any single fundraising event?
This can be independent of Governor's permits.**

Event Name			
Dollar Amount		Year	
Comments (optional)			

**During the past five years only, what is the most money you have raised (net revenue) for any single fundraising item?
This can be independent of Governor's permits.**

Item Description			
Dollar Amount		Year	
Comments (optional)			

Marketing and Promotion Plan

Provide a detailed description for each method you will use to market and promote a Governor’s permit including, but not limited to: mailing invitations, follow-up or additional mailings, fliers, posters, telephone calls, email notifications, social media, Google ads, radio, television, YouTube, newspaper or magazine ads. List each effort individually.	
Method and Cost	Description
Example: Google Smart Ads Campaign: \$500/month for 4 months:	Bring awareness to the raffle using key word searches for specific hunter demographics. Reach 15,000 people/month.
Additional Comments:	

Eligibility Questionnaire

Per 16.05.343, a nonprofit organization must fit specific eligibility criteria to participate in the program.

<p>The mission of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game is to protect, maintain, and improve the fish, game, and aquatic plant resources of the state, and manage their use and development in the best interest of the economy and the well-being of the people of the state, consistent with the sustained yield principle. We aim to provide long-term opportunities for all people to use and enjoy Alaska’s wildlife. Below, please provide the mission statement of your organization.</p>
<p>Please explain how your organization’s mission and values align or differ from the department’s mission.</p>

<p>By statute, your organization must promote education in outdoor traditions and conduct or support conservation and wildlife protection programs to be eligible for a permit. Below, please give specific examples of how your organization not only educates in outdoor traditions but also supports conservation and/or wildlife protection programs in Alaska.</p>
<p>Promotes education in outdoor traditions</p>
<p>Conducts/supports conservation and wildlife protection programs</p>

Did you apply for any permits under the Partnership Program? **AS OF NOW, ONLY TWO APPLICANTS APPLY IN THIS PROGRAM- THIS MOST LIKELY DOES NOT PERTAIN TO YOU**	<input type="checkbox"/>	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO
<p>If you checked “yes” above, please read and then fill out below. If no, please leave blank.</p> <p>Most organizations are only eligible to participate in the Big Game Program under AS 16.05.343 (c), which allows a qualified nonprofit to raffle/auction a Governor’s permit and retain up to 30% of the proceeds. The Partnership Program, under AS 16.05.343 (a), allows an organization to retain 100% of the proceeds from the raffle or auction. <u>An eligible organization must have been established to promote education in outdoor tradition and conservation and wildlife protection programs, and must be in a direct, active partnership with the department to accomplish the above-mentioned objectives.</u></p> <p>If you are applying as part of the partnership program, please list the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Your founding mission and the vision statement of your nonprofit➤ Specific examples of how you promote education in outdoor traditions, and promote conservation and wildlife protection programs in direct collaboration with the department➤ List the department staff you work closely with and the projects you are currently involved in				
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<p>Per AS 16.05.343(c), a nonprofit organization may retain up to 30% of proceeds from an auction or raffle. If your organization is selected, please describe how you would spend retained funds.</p>
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Did you receive a Governor's permit in 2023 for the 2024-2025 hunting season?		YES	NO
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If you checked "yes" above, please read and then fill out below.

Please list the total dollar value in funds you retained, and how those funds were spent by your organization. If you have a Newsletter or another document that already outlines this information, please attach the document to your application and write "Attached" in this section.

For example- retained \$15,000: spent \$10,000 on range improvements and \$5,000 on wood bison restoration efforts.

By filling this box out, your organization satisfies the 13-month reporting requirement for retained funds from this program. If you have any photos of community work your organization did or special projects, please send them along so we can highlight your efforts!

Required Forms and Qualifying Conditions Checklist


Instructions: Please read through this form carefully and initial each of the requirements in the "Initials" column. Section 1 consists of forms that must be included as part of your application package to be considered. Section 2 contains qualifying conditions that must be acknowledged and agreed to for your application to be considered. If there is a reason you cannot initial, you are likely not eligible to receive a permit.

By initialing this form, the applicant acknowledges completion of all required forms and acceptance of all terms and conditions described in the Call for Applications. Failure to initial may result in rejection of the application.

Initials	SECTION 1- REQUIRED FORMS
	APPLICATION: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Application must be filled out completely and returned in its entirety ➤ Application must be signed below and initialed in all boxes
	WRITTEN PROOF OF ALASKA NONPROFIT STATUS ATTACHED
Initials	SECTION 2- TERMS AND CONDITIONS
	Applicant is a nonprofit organization or chapter thereof, as defined by the Internal Revenue Code (Attach written proof of nonprofit status to the application).
	Applicant agrees that the auction or raffle will be conducted under terms and conditions that comply with all Alaska State laws. If the event is held outside of Alaska, the parties agree that Alaska law will control in the event of any dispute.
	The applicant will conduct the auction or raffle event prior to June 13 of the year in which the tag is valid. This allows our staff adequate time to prepare hunting licenses, permits, and locking tags, and mail them to the hunter.
	The applicant agrees that the auction or raffle will be conducted under standards of good faith and commercial reasonableness, and the applicant will make its best effort to obtain maximum return. The organization may opt to auction or raffle the permit at an in-person event, a live-streamed event, or another method in a manner accommodating similar public participation as in-person or live-streamed events.
	Revenue generated by the Governor's permit must be transferred to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game <u>within 30 calendar days of the event or by June 13th</u> , whichever comes first. Failure to submit payment to the department within 30 calendar days of the event may result in disqualification from next year's Governor's permit process and may result in your hunter not receiving their permit on time, which will not be at fault of the department.
	I acknowledge that the department cannot issue hunting permits to the winning bidder until department staff receive a signed report form and remittance payment from the nonprofit.
	When auctioning or raffling Governor's permits, the nonprofit shall clearly indicate in all advertisements and to potential permit recipients that such permits are subject to all existing conditions required for the take of the species under 5 AAC 93.080. If unsure, the nonprofit shall reach out to department staff for guidance before advertising.
	By statute, to receive a Governor's permit, your organization must support a state-based model (for game management) through a user-pays system based on sustained yield and use principles. By initialing, you agree that your organization supports this model and has taken no actions to exhibit otherwise against the department.
	Per department policy, a nonprofit organization may not receive a Governor's permit if the nonprofit, or any of its Board members, are involved in an active lawsuit against the State of Alaska, Department of Fish and Game, the Commissioner of the department, or the Alaska Board of Game. By signing this, you agree that your organization is not in a lawsuit against any of the above entities.

CERTIFICATION-IMPORTANT-PLEASE READ BEFORE SIGNING- If this page is not signed and initialed, your application will be rejected.

I hereby certify that all the information I have entered on this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I further understand that any false, incomplete, or incorrect statements may result in my application's disqualification from the evaluation process.

Signature	Printed Name	Date
		

Send your application via email to robert.bussman@alaska.gov or via mail to: Alaska Department of Fish and Game, ATTN Robert Bussman, 1801 South Margaret Dr, Suite 4 Palmer, AK 99645. Must be received by May 19, 2025, at 5:00 P.M.

Appendix A- Governor's Permits Available for the 2026/2027 Hunt Season

Up to four permits per species may be issued in this program; however, availability varies annually. An organization may receive up to three permits, we anticipate most organizations will receive one or two permits with current interest. Based on demand for specific permits to enter certain programs, we are assigning some permits due to participant demand (i.e., a high value permit has not hit an auction in multiple years, and we've received calls about it). A check in a raffle or auction column means that ONE permit must go to the specified activity/event. This list is limited since the Governor's permits must be available for non-residents as well. If your organization is interested in a specific resident-only permit, you may ask for it if it is not on this list. All the permits on this list are for residents and nonresidents.

Species	Number Available	Sex?	Raffle	Auction
Brown Bear				
Afognak Island Brown Bear- SB161/162/163	1	Either		
SB377- Unimak Island	1	Either		
SB468- Archery only Eklutna Lake	1	Either		
SB470- Chugach Mountains	2	Either		
Bison				
SI403- Delta Bison	2	Either	✓	✓
Caribou				
SC608- Killey River	1	Bull		
SC590-Talkeetna Mountains	2	Bull		
SC827- Alaska Range	2	Bull		
Elk				
SE315-Etolin Island (includes DE318-323)	1	Bull		
Mountain Goat				
SG056- Revillagigedo Island Achilles and Deer Mtn	1	Either		
SG800- Chugach Mountains	1	Either		
Moose				
SM823- Koyukuk CUA	1	Bull		
SM210- Turnagain Arm	1	Bull		
Muskox				
SX050- Nunivak	1	Bull		
Dall Sheep				
SS143- Chugach Mountains	2	Ram		
SS101- Tok Management Area	1	Ram		