# **2023 MS Alligator License Purchase Instructions**

Available beginning August 1, 2023

#### **ALLIGATOR HUNTING LICENSES**

This license is required for each person in the hunting party, 16 years of age or older (including 65 YOA and older). This license is applicable for ALL alligator hunting seasons (All Public Water Zone Hunting and/or Private Lands Hunting).

• Priv Code 754 Alligator Hunting License (\$25) Available at any location that sells MS H/F Licenses, on-line, or 1-800-5GO-HUNT.

# PREREQUISITES FOR ALLIGATOR LICENSES

You must possess a combination hunting/fishing type license to purchase any of the above alligator licenses/permits.

- <u>RESIDENTS</u> (Sportsman, All Game H/F, Small Game H/F, Apprentice Sportsman, Apprentice All Game, Apprentice Small Game, Senior Exempt, or Disabled Exempt)
- NON-RESIDENTS (All Game, 7-Day All Game, or Non-res MS Native Lifetime)
- NON-RESIDENTS who have permits for an approved private property in reciprocal agreement locations must purchase their Alligator Hunting License in the Jackson Office or by calling (601) 432-2263. Ask for Jason Thompson.

### \*\*\* Hunter Education requirements do apply.

If you have never been certified in hunter education and are unable to attend a hunter education course prior to the hunt, you may purchase an Apprentice License in lieu of a combination type license. The Apprentice License is available as a one-time purchase for hunters who have never been certified in hunter education. It is valid for only one year.

# Who needs an Alligator Hunting License - In a Nutshell:

If a person is 16 years of age or older and are in possession of, or in a vessel that possesses capture equipment or equipment used to harvest alligators, then you must possess an Alligator Hunting License. Lifetime License holders are exempt from the Alligator Hunting License (\$25).

No one may attempt to capture an alligator or possess alligator capture equipment while on the waterways, unless in the immediate ("Rock throwing distance") vicinity of a holder of a valid Alligator Possession Permit.

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**PUBLIC WATERS** – Any person who is in a vessel with a person who possesses an Alligator Possession Permit must possess an Alligator Hunting License, regardless. Such licensed person may partake in any part of the alligator hunt process.

**PRIVATE LANDS** – only the person whose name is retained on the harvest voucher is required to purchase an Alligator Possession Permit. Any person 16 years of age or older that is part of a hunting party must possess an Alligator Hunting License.

• Private land hunters who have multiple permits do not have to purchase ALL of their possession permits at one time. You may choose to buy some now and some later after filling the initial permit's tags.

#### LIST of ALLIGATOR HUNTING LICENSES and POSSESSION PERMITS

Code #	Description	Price
754	Alligator Hunting License	\$25
776	Northeast Zone Alligator Possession Permit	\$200
870	Northwest Zone Alligator Possession Permit	\$200
871	West Central Zone Alligator Possession Permit	\$200
872	Southwest Zone Alligator Possession Permit	\$200
873	South Central Zone Alligator Possession Permit	\$200
874	Southeast Zone Alligator Possession Permit	\$200
875	Pearl River/Ross Barnett Zone Alligator Possession Permit	\$200
759	Private Lands Possession Permit - RESIDENT	\$100
769	Private Lands Possession Permit – NON RESIDENT	\$200