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Seasonally Drawn Blind Assignment Process

Each year, the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources conducts drawings for seasonal waterfowl blind locations. Hunters selected can construct their own blind and have a hunting site available to them for the entire hunting season.

Seasonal waterfowl blind drawings for Green River Lake, Barren River Lake, Sloughs WMA and Doug Travis WMA will not be done in the traditional way this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. To help maintain social distancing and helping ensure the health and safety of hunters and Kentucky Fish and Wildlife staff, drawings will be conducted remotely this season.

Following is how the revised waterfowl blind process will work:

How to apply

- Go to an application location
- Fill out a card with your name, address, phone number and Kentucky Fish and Wildlife ID number (this is the number on your hunting or fishing license)
- On the card, rank your blind preferences, starting with the location you want the most
- List as many preferences as you wish (see "How the drawing works")
- If you don't have a preference, list "any available"
- You may also pick a handful of your top choices, followed by "any available"
- Drop your completed card into the locked box at the application location
- Applications accepted only from Sept. 15 - October 2.
- See each location for hours that applications will be accepted

Application Rules

- You must have a valid Kentucky sportsman's license, or a valid Kentucky hunting license and migratory bird permit at the time of application
- You will be disqualified if you apply more than once in the same area
- You will be disqualified if you fold your card
- Cards with handwriting that is not legible will be skipped over if drawn



How the drawing works

- Staff will collect all application boxes at the close of business on October 2nd.
- Locked boxes will be transported to Kentucky Fish and Wildlife headquarters in Frankfort
- Two conservation officers will observe the opening of the locked boxes and drawing process to ensure its security
- Beginning at 7 p.m. (Eastern) Oct. 6, contents of an individual box will be put into a tumbler and cards drawn one at a time
- A blind will be assigned according to the availability and ranking listed on each card drawn
- If a card is drawn and all blind preferences listed on it are taken, that application will be skipped
- The drawing order will be Green River Lake, Barren River Lake, Sloughs WMA then Doug Travis WMA
- The drawing will be conducted live on the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife YouTube channel
- Staff will announce each successful applicant's name, city of residence and blind number
- All cards will be saved for verification that only one card per hunter was put in the box

Application locations

Green River Lake

- Box Location: Green River Lake Army Corps of Engineers Office, 544 Lake Road, Campbellsville
- Available Hours: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. (Eastern)
- Available Days: Monday-Friday September 15- October 2
- 33 blind sites

Barren River Lake

- Box Location: Barren River Lake U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Office, 11088 Finney Road, Glasgow
- Available Hours: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. (Central)
- Available Days: Monday-Friday
- 28 blind sites

Sloughs WMA

- Box Location: Sloughs WMA Office, 9956 KY 268 Corydon
- Available Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. (Central)
- Available Days: Monday-Friday
- 14 blind sites

Doug Travis WMA

- Box Location: Carlisle County Sherriff's Office, 985 U.S. 62, Bardwell
- Available Hours: 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. (Central)
- Available Days: Monday-Friday
- 16 Blind-Sites

Additional information

The application card will have space for hunters to rank blinds available at that area. Rank blinds in order of highest preference (left side of card) to lowest preference (right side of card). Rank only the blinds that you are willing to accept. You may also say "Any Available" if you do not want to rank blinds. If someone chooses "Any Available", the lowest numerical blind available will be awarded to the person when drawn.

Please review blinds and have a ranking strategy before arriving so that you may fill out the card quickly. Once you have filled out the card, you will drop it in the locked box. Please be respectful of other hunters during this process. If someone is at the box, please wait at a safe distance while they put the card in the box. If there are multiple hunters present, take your card to a safe place to fill it out away from the box so others can grab cards or put their completed cards in the box. Please bring your own pen or pencil, and fill out the card legibly.

Drawn hunters will be contacted by Kentucky Fish and Wildlife staff within a few days after the drawing. Staff will share specifics for building blinds and any other necessary information. They will ask you if you would like to designate a blind co-owner. If you intend to name a co-owner, please have that person's name, address, phone number and Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Customer ID number available.

The rules for applying remain similar to previous seasons. Each hunter may only apply once per area. If any hunter is found to have put more than one card in the box with their name/customer ID, they will be disqualified and any blinds they were awarded will be forfeited.

All applicants must have a current hunting license and migratory bird permit before the drawing begins. Anyone not meeting this requirement will be disqualified. Purchasing a license immediately after the drawing will not keep a hunter from being disqualified. Any cards intentionally altered (folding, creasing, etc.) to increase the likelihood of being drawn will be disqualified. Any cards which are illegible will be disqualified.

We hope everyone has a safe and successful waterfowl season in the year ahead. We wish you luck in these drawings.