



Ohio Revised Code

Section 1533.321 Multi-year or lifetime hunting and fishing licenses.

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Legislation: House Bill 110 (GA 134), House Bill 64 (GA 136)

(A) The chief of the division of wildlife may issue any of the following:

(1) Multi-year hunting or fishing licenses for three-, five-, or ten-year terms to a resident of this state;

(2) Lifetime hunting or fishing licenses to a resident of this state;

(3) A package consisting of any combination of license, stamp, or permit that the chief is authorized to issue under this chapter.

(B) The chief may adopt rules in accordance with section 1531.10 of the Revised Code governing multi-year hunting and fishing licenses, lifetime hunting and fishing licenses, and combination packages, including rules establishing fees for the combination packages. The chief shall ensure that the price for a combination package is not discounted by more than five per cent of the total fees for the licenses, permits, or stamps that a person would otherwise pay for those licenses, permits, or stamps if the person purchased them individually.

(C)(1) The multi-year and lifetime license fund is hereby created in the state treasury. The fund shall consist of money received from application fees for multi-year and lifetime hunting and fishing licenses.

(2) Each fiscal year, a prorated amount of the money from each multi-year and lifetime license fee shall be transferred from the multi-year and lifetime license fund to the fund into which the applicable single year license fee would otherwise be deposited. The prorated amount shall equal the total amount of the fee charged for the license divided by the number of years the license is valid. The chief shall adopt rules in accordance with section 1531.10 of the Revised Code for the administration of this division, including establishing a system that prorates lifetime license fees for deposit each year into the wildlife fund created in section 1531.17 of the Revised Code.



(3) Each fiscal year, all previous year's investment earnings from the multi-year and lifetime license fund shall be transferred into the wildlife fund created in section 1531.17 of the Revised Code.

(D)(1) Each applicant for a multi-year or lifetime fishing license who is a resident of this state shall pay a fee for each license in accordance with the following schedule:

<cp-base>Senior 3-year fishing license</cp-base>	<cp-base>\$26.00</cp-base>
<cp-base>Senior 5-year fishing license</cp-base>	<cp-base>\$43.34</cp-base>
<cp-base>Senior lifetime fishing license</cp-base>	<cp-base>\$81.00</cp-base>
<cp-base>3-year fishing license</cp-base>	<cp-base>\$69.34</cp-base>
<cp-base>5-year fishing license</cp-base>	<cp-base>\$115.56</cp-base>
<cp-base>10-year fishing license</cp-base>	<cp-base>\$231.12</cp-base>
<cp-base>Lifetime fishing license</cp-base>	<cp-base>\$576.00</cp-base>
<cp-base>Youth lifetime fishing license</cp-base>	<cp-base>\$414.00</cp-base>

(2) As used in division (D)(1) of this section:

(a) "Youth" means an applicant who is under the age of sixteen years at the time of application for a license.

(b) "Senior" means an applicant who is sixty-five years of age or older at the time of application for a license.

(E)(1) Each applicant for a multi-year or lifetime hunting license who is a resident of this state shall pay a fee for each license in accordance with the following schedule:

<cp-base>Senior 3-year hunting license</cp-base>	<cp-base>\$26.00</cp-base>
<cp-base>Senior 5-year hunting license</cp-base>	<cp-base>\$43.34</cp-base>



<cp-base>Senior lifetime hunting license</cp-base>	<cp-base>\$81.00</cp-base>
<cp-base>Youth 3-year hunting license</cp-base>	<cp-base>\$26.00</cp-base>
<cp-base>Youth 5-year hunting license</cp-base>	<cp-base>\$43.34</cp-base>
<cp-base>Youth 10-year hunting license</cp-base>	<cp-base>\$86.67</cp-base>
<cp-base>Youth lifetime hunting license</cp-base>	<cp-base>\$414.00</cp-base>
<cp-base>3-year hunting license</cp-base>	<cp-base>\$52.00</cp-base>
<cp-base>5-year hunting license</cp-base>	<cp-base>\$86.</cp-base>67
<cp-base>10-year hunting license</cp-base>	<cp-base>\$173.34</cp-base>
<cp-base>Lifetime hunting license</cp-base>	<cp-base>\$432.00</cp-base>

(2) As used in division (E)(1) of this section:

(a) "Youth" means an applicant who is under the age of eighteen years at the time of application for a license.

(b) "Senior" means an applicant who is sixty-five years of age or older at the time of application for a license.

(F) If a person who is issued a multi-year hunting or fishing license or lifetime hunting or fishing license in accordance with division (A) of this section subsequently becomes a nonresident after issuance of the license, the person's license remains valid in this state during its term, regardless of residency status.

The Legislative Service Commission presents the text of this section as a composite of the section as amended by multiple acts of the General Assembly. This presentation recognizes the principle stated in R.C. 1.52(B) that amendments are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of simultaneous operation.