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Duck Stamp Exemption Reminder

Last year a law was passed to exempt certain waterfowl harvesters in Alaska from having to purchase and carry a federal duck stamp. Please remember, everyone is required to purchase and carry a [State hunting license and State duck stamp](#)¹ to harvest waterfowl.

If you are [eligible to participate](#)² in the harvest of waterfowl and their eggs for subsistence purposes, you are not required to have a federal duck stamp in any harvest season.

If you are not eligible to hunt in the spring and summer, but are a [rural resident, defined by Federal Subsistence Management Regulations](#)³, you may hunt in the fall and winter seasons and are not required to have a federal duck stamp.

Proceeds from the sale of federal duck stamps are used to purchase and protect waterfowl habitat.

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¹ To purchase State hunting license and duck stamp, see <https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/Store/>

² If you are a permanent resident within a subsistence harvest area, you will be eligible to harvest migratory birds and their eggs for subsistence purposes in the spring and summer. See www.fws.gov/alaska/ambcc/regulations.htm

³ Go the Federal Subsistence Management Program web site at <https://www.doi.gov/subsistence> and click on "Statewide" then "Wildlife Regulations" and scroll to find "Are you a rural Alaska resident?" (see pg. 6)