

Horicon Marsh Learn to Hunt Waterfowl Application 2023

Thirty novice hunters from ages 10 through adult will have the unique opportunity to experience a mentored hunt at Horicon Marsh on the Horicon National Wildlife Refuge. The program will be hosted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Wisconsin Waterfowl Association, Friends of Horicon National Wildlife Refuge, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and Ducks Unlimited.

Successful applicants must also complete the mandatory four hour orientation and training class prior to their drawn hunt date. The class will include waterfowl identification, gun safety, water safety, duck calling, range estimation and hunting tactics.

The hunts will be mentored by experienced waterfowl hunters. There will be one mentor per hunter and only the novice hunter will be allowed to hunt. Applicants are not required to have completed hunter education certification in order to participate in a mentored Learn to Hunt program but do need to obtain a DNR customer number prior to class.

Classroom Dates

Saturday, 09/16/23 or

Sunday, 10/7/23 9:30am – 2:30pm

Class will be held at the Horicon National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center W4279 Headquarters Rd., Mayville

Hunt Dates

- 1) Saturday, 09/16/23 (PM hunt)
- 2) Sunday, 09/17/23 (AM hunt)
- 3) Saturday, 10/7/23 (PM hunt)
- 4) Sunday, 10/8/23 (AM hunt)
- 5) Sunday, 10/22/23 (AM hunt)

Applicant Name

Parent or Guardian Name/Phone/Email if applicant is under 18)

Applicant Date of Birth

Applicant Address, Email, and Phone

Applicant DNR Customer Number (required). Can be acquired without prior attendance of state hunter education course

First time applicants will be given priority. Have you participated in the Horicon Marsh Learn to Hunt Waterfowl in the past?

Please rank dates in order of preference below. Adults may choose the September classroom date but may only choose October hunt dates due to Wisconsin hunting regulations. September 16 and 17 is the statewide youth waterfowl hunt.

Classroom Date

1st choice

2nd choice

Hunt Date

1st choice

2nd choice

3rd choice

4th choice

Do you have a shotgun available for the hunt? If not, please indicate need below and one can be provided.

Is there a need for any special accommodations?

Please tell us what, if any, hunting and or gun handling experience you have had.

Emergency Contact Name

Emergency Contact Phone

Applications must be received via mail/email by September 7, 2023. Email to horicon@fws.gov or mail to Attn: Waterfowl LTH Horicon National Wildlife Refuge W4279 Headquarters Rd, Mayville, WI 53050

For more information please contact Erin Railsback, Visitor Services Manager at Horicon National Wildlife Refuge at 920-387-6514 or email Erin_Railsback@fws.gov



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