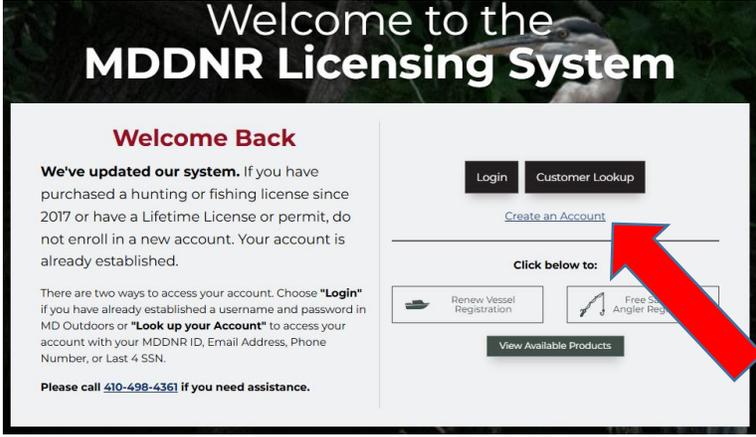
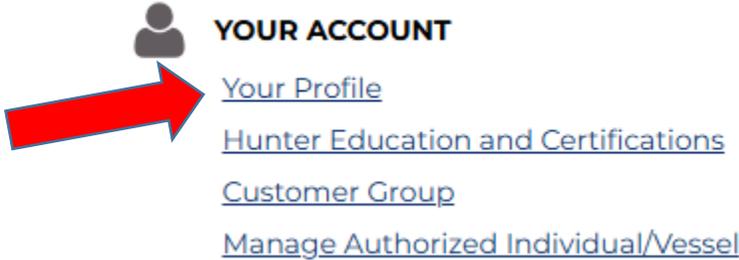
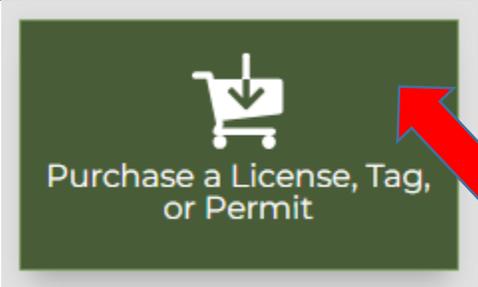
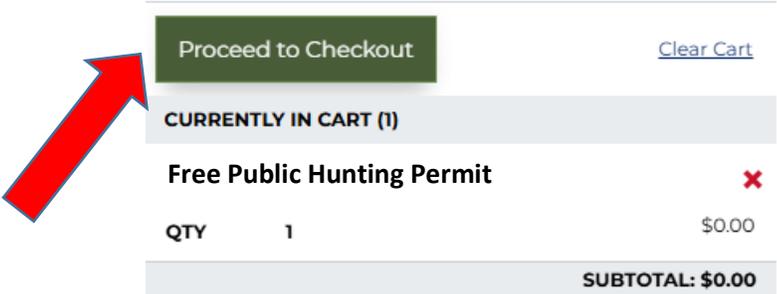


# How to Obtain the Free Public Hunting Permit Online

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| <p><b>Step 1:</b><br/>Log onto MD <a href="#">Outdoors</a>. If you have purchased a hunting or fishing license since 2017 or have a Lifetime License or permit, do not enroll in a new account. Your account is already established, use the Customer Lookup. If you never had a COMPASS account, you must select “Create and Account.”</p> |  <p>Welcome to the MDDNR Licensing System</p> <p><b>Welcome Back</b></p> <p>We've updated our system. If you have purchased a hunting or fishing license since 2017 or have a Lifetime License or permit, do not enroll in a new account. Your account is already established.</p> <p>There are two ways to access your account. Choose "Login" if you have already established a username and password in MD Outdoors or "Look up your Account" to access your account with your MDDNR ID, Email Address, Phone Number, or Last 4 SSN.</p> <p>Please call <a href="tel:410-698-4361">410-698-4361</a> if you need assistance.</p> <p>Buttons: Login, Customer Lookup, Create an Account, Renew Vessel Registration, Free State Angler Reg., View Available Products.</p> |                                   |          |  |          |     |   |  |        |                         |  |  |  |
| <p><b>Step 2:</b><br/>Check to verify your contact information is current in MD Outdoors. The email in your account will be used to send the parking permit.</p>  |  <p><b>YOUR ACCOUNT</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Your Profile</li> <li>Hunter Education and Certifications</li> <li>Customer Group</li> <li>Manage Authorized Individual/Vessel</li> </ul>  |                                   |          |  |          |     |   |  |        |                         |  |  |  |
| <p><b>Step 3:</b><br/>To see available products, click on the button to “Purchase a License, Tag, or Permit.”</p>   |  <p>Purchase a License, Tag, or Permit</p>   |                                   |          |  |          |     |   |  |        |                         |  |  |  |
| <p><b>Step 4:</b><br/>Find the “Free Public Hunting Permit” in the list of Hunting products and hit the “Add” button. The permit should be \$0.</p>   |  <p><b>Free Public Hunting Permit 2024/2025</b></p> <p>2025 Season   VALID: 08/01/2024 - 07/31/2025   <a href="#">View More Details</a></p> <p>Buttons: Add</p>   |                                   |          |  |          |     |   |  |        |                         |  |  |  |
| <p><b>Step 5:</b><br/>Proceed to Checkout and complete the checkout process. The Free Public Hunting Permit may be obtained after the hunter has a valid Hunting License or at the same time as purchasing a Hunting License.</p>   |  <p>Buttons: Proceed to Checkout, Clear Cart</p> <p><b>CURRENTLY IN CART (1)</b></p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td colspan="3"><b>Free Public Hunting Permit</b></td> <td><b>×</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>QTY</td> <td>1</td> <td></td> <td>\$0.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3"><b>SUBTOTAL: \$0.00</b></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>   | <b>Free Public Hunting Permit</b> |          |  | <b>×</b> | QTY | 1 |  | \$0.00 | <b>SUBTOTAL: \$0.00</b> |  |  |  |
| <b>Free Public Hunting Permit</b>   |   |                                   | <b>×</b> |  |          |     |   |  |        |                         |  |  |  |
| QTY   | 1   |                                   | \$0.00   |  |          |     |   |  |        |                         |  |  |  |
| <b>SUBTOTAL: \$0.00</b>   |   |                                   |          |  |          |     |   |  |        |                         |  |  |  |

### Step 6:

The Free Public Hunting Permit will print as a product on your hunting license.

**Free Public Hunting Permit 07/31/2024  
2024/2025**

**\$0.00**

Valid: 08/01/2024 - 07/31/2025

### Step 7:

Within one business day you will be emailed regulation packets and a parking pass. Print and fill out the parking pass. Your DNR ID is now your permit number.

**PUBLIC HUNTING PROGRAM 2021-2022**  
Maryland Department of Natural Resources – Wildlife and Heritage Service

**NEW!** The Central Region Public Hunting Permit and the Southern Region Public Hunting Permit are now one single permit called the **Free Public Hunting Permit**.

Call the Myrtle Grove Wildlife Office for reservations for Southern or Western Region properties at 301-743-5161.  
Call the Gwynnbrook Wildlife Office for reservations for Central or Eastern Region properties at 410-356-9272.

**PUBLIC HUNTING PERMIT AVAILABILITY**  
See pages 3-13 to see which properties require this permit.

| Option A - Online   | Option B - In Person   | Option C - Mail  |
|---|--|--|
| Apply online through COMPASS. Click on "Purchase New License" then "Hunting" and choose the Free Public Hunting Permit. When you complete the checkout process your seasonal permit will print on your hunting license. | After purchasing your hunting license you may obtain the Free Public Hunting Permit from either the Gwynnbrook or Myrtle Grove Office. Have your DNR ID available. | Mail a copy of your hunting license to the Gwynnbrook or Myrtle Grove Office. Please note which area you are interested in. Include a letter-sized envelope with return address and postage. |

If you are a Hunting License exempt please call the Gwynnbrook or Myrtle Grove Wildlife Office for instructions on how to get your permit.

For specific information on SPRING TURKEY SEASON see the Spring Turkey Hunting Guide.  
For specific information on WATERFOWL HUNTING see the Waterfowl Hunting Guide.

**Free Public Hunting Permit – Parking Permit**  
VALID: August 1, 2021 – July 31, 2025

DNR ID: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Found on Hunting License)

Place this permit on the dash of your vehicle. This permit is not valid unless the Free Public Hunting Permit has been purchased through COMPASS and appears in your hunting license. Special rules apply to hunting on these areas for the area covered by the Free Public Hunting Permit. By accepting and using the Free Public Hunting Permit, you agree to the rules and regulations contained in the permit packet.

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**If you have questions or issues please contact:**

**Gwynnbrook WMA – 410-356-9272 (Central and Eastern Region permit areas)  
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