



2017 Saskatchewan Spring White Geese Hunting Supplement

Welcome hunters! This supplement contains information for your spring white geese season hunt, including open season dates, licence fees and bag limit information.

Waterfowl hunters are encouraged to take advantage of the spring white geese season this year. An extended season across the entire province, combined with liberal bag limits for both species of white geese, makes this an appealing hunting opportunity. High white geese populations result in damage to their breeding ground on the fragile tundra of northern Canada, and increases crop damage along their migration routes. Hunting is one of the few tools available to reduce populations of this migratory game bird.

For a summary of regulations, programs and wildlife management zones, see the [2016 Hunters' and Trappers' Guide](#). If you retained your copy from last fall, please refer to it, or get a copy from provincial licence issuers, Ministry of Environment and select provincial park offices.

Licence Fee

No provincial licence is required to hunt white geese during the spring season. A 2016 Federal Migratory Permit is required and is available online at permis-permits.ec.gc.ca/en or from any post office or select licence issuers. Cost is \$**17.85** and includes GST.

2017 Guide and Supplement Availability

- Spring Black Bear Supplement - April
- Big Game Draw Supplements (Saskatchewan resident and Canadian resident) - April
- Hunters' and Trappers' Guide (online) - July
- Hunters' and Trappers' Guide (print) - August

Open Season for Spring White Geese (All Hunters)

(includes white and blue phase snow geese and Ross' geese)

Open Game Bird Districts	Season Dates	Bag Limit	Additional Information
North and South Game Bird Districts	March 15 - June 15, 2017	Daily limit: 20 Possession limit: no possession limit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hunters are required to have a 2016 Federal Migratory Game Bird Permit and stamp in their possession while hunting white geese. • A valid provincial game bird licence or a wildlife habitat licence is not required. • White geese may be hunted all day (one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset) in both game bird districts.

Hunters are reminded to obtain landowner permission when accessing land and avoid any activities that may damage property (e.g. causing ruts by driving on wet fields).

- Electronic calls using white geese (snow and/or Ross' geese) vocalizations may be used to hunt white geese with no restrictions on the type or colour of the decoys used.
- The use of non-toxic shot is required for hunting migratory game birds in Canada. Non-toxic shot means bismuth shot, steel shot, tin shot, tungsten-bronze-iron shot, tungsten-iron shot, tungsten-iron-nickel-copper shot, tungsten-matrix shot, tungsten-nickel-iron shot or tungsten-polymer shot.