

WSO Offers Federal Duck Stamps

WSO has joined a program that allows us to sell Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps, known informally as federal Duck Stamps. These pictorial stamps are a vital tool for wetland conservation (they are not valid for postage), with ninety-eight cents out of every dollar generated by Duck Stamp sales going directly to purchase or lease wetland habitat for protection in the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service's national wildlife refuge system. In addition to its role as a hunting license and conservation tool, a current Duck Stamp serves as an entrance pass for national wildlife refuges where admission is normally charged. Each stamp is valid for a year, beginning July 1 and ending June 30 the following year. Visit the USFWS website, www.fws.gov/duckstamps, for more information.

In a consignment program, WSO purchases Duck Stamps and sells them to you at the price offered by your local post office – that's \$15 per Duck Stamp. By the way, WSO pays \$15 for each stamp and does not make a profit on these sales. Because the stamps offer such a great opportunity to conserve wetland habitats, we have undertaken this program to encourage you to purchase the stamps – from us, from your local post office, from a sporting goods store, from anywhere you find them. We also offer a reusable clear-plastic key-ring-type holder for the Duck Stamp that you can attach to your binocular strap, pack, etc., so everyone can see that you support this worthwhile conservation effort.



Duck Stamps go on sale annually late in June, and sales from WSO continue each year until sometime in February, when all unsold stamps must be returned. Orders received after that time will be held until the following year's stamps are available.

Stamps and holders are available from WSO on a prepaid basis only, as follows:

- If you want only stamps, send a check for \$15 for each stamp, plus one self-addressed stamped envelope, to the address below.
- If you want a stamp and a reusable plastic holder, include the form below and payment as follows:
 - for one stamp and holder, send \$17;
 - for two stamps and holders, send \$33;
 - for three stamps and holders, send \$49;
 - for larger orders (for a bird club, for example), request pricing.

Make checks payable to WSO and send your request for either stamps alone or stamps and holders to Christine Reel, 2022 Sherryl Lane, Waukesha, WI 53188. Questions: 262-547-6128, christinereel2@gmail.com – no phone or email orders will be accepted, however, because prepayment is required. Note that sales tax is included in the price of the holder; no tax is charged on the stamp itself.

If you are ordering stamps and holders, include your name and address on the following form – this form will be taped to a mailing envelope; if you are ordering stamps only, do not use this form.

Name _____

Address _____
