



State of California – Department of Fish and Wildlife
2023-2024 NEW FALCONRY LICENSE APPLICATION
DFW 360b (REV. 04/19/23)

EXAMINATION FEE: \$64.25 (Paid at Time of Exam)

LICENSE AND APPLICATION FEES: \$120.77 (\$102.23 License Fee* + \$18.54 Nonrefundable Application Fee*) **AND**

INSPECTION FEE*: \$339.75 (Up to Five Enclosures) **PLUS \$17.25** (For Each Additional Enclosure*).

*Fees include a nonrefundable three percent (3%) application fee, not to exceed \$7.50 per item. (Section 700.4, Title 14, California Code of Regulations)

IMPORTANT: Any person using raptors to take game or nongame birds, or mammals shall abide by all laws and regulations related to hunting, which includes having a valid California Hunting License.

SEE INSTRUCTION ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY. (You must include your Go ID# or a copy of your identification with this application).

FIRST NAME	M.I.	LAST NAME	GO ID#
MAILING ADDRESS			DAY TELEPHONE
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	GENDER ☐ MALE ☐ FEMALE ☐ NONBINARY
PERMANENT HOUSING FACILITY ADDRESS ☐ (Check Box if you own this property)			HAIR COLOR
			EYE COLOR
			HEIGHT
			WEIGHT
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	EMAIL ADDRESS (Voluntary)

LIST RAPTORS CURRENTLY POSSESSED UNDER YOUR FALCONRY LICENSE (Master Falconers - Attach additional list if needed)

SPECIES OF RAPTOR #1 (Apprentice, General or Master)	BAND NUMBER	SEX ☐ MALE ☐ FEMALE ☐ UNK	AGE	☐ WILD CAUGHT	DATE ACQUIRED
SPECIES OF RAPTOR #2 (General or Master Class Only)	BAND NUMBER	SEX ☐ MALE ☐ FEMALE ☐ UNK	AGE	☐ WILD CAUGHT	DATE ACQUIRED
SPECIES OF RAPTOR #3 (General or Master Class Only)	BAND NUMBER	SEX ☐ MALE ☐ FEMALE ☐ UNK	AGE	☐ WILD CAUGHT	DATE ACQUIRED
SPECIES OF RAPTOR #4 (Master Class Only)	BAND NUMBER	SEX ☐ MALE ☐ FEMALE ☐ UNK	AGE	☐ WILD CAUGHT	DATE ACQUIRED
SPECIES OF RAPTOR #5 (Master Class Only)	BAND NUMBER	SEX ☐ MALE ☐ FEMALE ☐ UNK	AGE	☐ WILD CAUGHT	DATE ACQUIRED

A SPONSOR IS REQUIRED IF APPLYING FOR AN APPRENTICE FALCONER

FIRST NAME	M.I.	LAST NAME	DAY TELEPHONE
MAILING ADDRESS			LAST 4 DIGITS OF GO ID #
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTY

I agree to sponsor this apprentice. I agree to assist this apprentice in learning about husbandry, training of raptors, relevant laws and regulations, and deciding what species of raptor is appropriate. I hereby certify that I am either a licensed master falconer or a licensed general falconer who has at least two years experience at the General level. In the event a license is granted for this apprentice, I understand that if I terminate sponsorship for this apprentice, I am required to immediately notify in writing the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, License and Revenue Branch PO Box 944209, Sacramento CA 94244-2090.

SPONSOR'S SIGNATURE	DATE
X	

I certify that I have read and am familiar with both the California and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service falconry regulations, CFR 50, Sections 21.29 through 21.30, and that the information I am submitting is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that any false statement herein may subject me to cancellation of the application, suspension or revocation of a license, and/or administrative, civil, or criminal penalties. I understand that my facilities, equipment, or raptors are subject to unannounced inspection pursuant to Section 670(j), Title 14, of the CCR. I certify that I have read, understand, and agree to abide by all conditions of this license, the applicable provisions of the FGC, and the regulations promulgated thereto. I certify that I am not currently under any Fish and Wildlife license or permit revocation or suspension, and that there are no other legal or administrative proceedings pending that would disqualify me from obtaining this license.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE	DATE
X	
PARENT'S/GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE (Required if applicant is under 18 years old)	DATE
X	

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CDFW OFFICE	CDFW EXAMINATION FEE TRANSACTION #	CDFW FALCONRY EXAM ☐ PASS ☐ FAIL (If applicant fails, they may retake the exam the next business day.)
REVIEWED BY/DATE	LRB APPROVED CLASS	TRANSACTION #
		ISSUED BY/DATE



INSTRUCTION FOR COMPLETING THE NEW FALCONRY LICENSE APPLICATION

Please allow 45 business days for the processing of your application. A person applying for a California falconry license for the first time or renewing a license that has lapsed for five or more years must take and pass a written examination given at any California Department of Fish and Wildlife (Department) office listed below and have their facility inspected by the Department. An applicant who provides documentation of successfully passing a federally approved examination in a state that has had its falconry regulations certified as specified in Title 50, CFR, Section 21.29, will not be required to take the examination in California if the applicant took the exam within five years from the date the application was submitted. Applicants must be 12 years of age or older to be issued an apprentice license and may possess only a red-tailed hawk or an American kestrel. Applicants under 18 years of age must have a parent or guardian co-sign this application.

Incomplete applications will be returned and could delay the issuance of your license. Contact the License and Revenue Branch at (916) 928-5846 or SPU@wildlife.ca.gov, if you need additional information regarding falconry licenses.

1. It is mandatory to complete all items unless specified as voluntary.
2. Sign and date the application.
3. Make a reservation to take the exam at the CDFW office listed below nearest you. The written exam will take approximately two hours and will be scored while you are present. If you fail the exam, you may take another examination no earlier than the next business day following the date of the failed examination. An applicant shall submit the nonrefundable falconry examination fee, as specified in Section 703, each time the applicant takes an examination.
4. Take this completed application, the examination fee, and a copy of your identification with you to the exam.

UPON PASSING THE EXAM:

5. **Important:** You must have your permanent falconry facilities built and ready to be inspected by the Department when you submit this application. Submit the inspection fee with this completed application. Your permanent falconry facility must pass an inspection by the Department, as specified in Section 670(j), before your license may be issued. The Department will contact you about scheduling an appointment to have your facility inspected. If you do not own the property where your falconry facilities are located, you must submit with this application a signed and dated statement from the property owner stating that they agree the falconry facilities, equipment and raptors may be inspected without advance notice, as specified in Section 670(j).
6. Mail this application, a copy of your identification, a statement from the property owner if required, and a cashier's check, money order, personal or business check*, or credit card authorization form online at www.wildlife.ca.gov/licensing/falconry, to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, License and Revenue Branch, PO Box 944209, Sacramento, CA 94244-2090. **DO NOT SEND CASH.**

Note: The Resident Falconer Raptor Capture, Recapture or Release Report (DFW 360f), and Falconry Hunting Take Report (DFW 360h) are available at www.wildlife.ca.gov/licensing/falconry or by contacting the Department at the address and telephone number listed above.

IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENT

Section 700.4(c), Title 14, of the California Code of Regulations (CCR) states any applicant applying for any license, tag, permit, reservation or other entitlement issued via Automated License Data System (ALDS) shall provide valid identification. Acceptable forms of identification include:

- Any license document or Get Outdoors Identification number (GO ID) previously issued via ALDS
- A valid driver's license or identification card issued to him or her by the Department of Motor Vehicles or by the entity issuing driver's licenses from the licensee's state of domicile
- US Military Identification Cards (Active or reserve duty, dependent, retired member, discharged from service, medical/religious personnel)
- US Certificate or Report of Birth Abroad
- US Birth Certificate
- Tribal Identification Card, as defined by each sovereign tribal nation
- US Passport
- A foreign government-issued photo identification
- Certificate of Naturalization or Citizenship
- Birth Certificate or passport issued from a US Territory

Any applicant less than 18 years of age applying for any license, tag, permit, reservation or other entitlement issued via the ALDS shall provide valid identification. Acceptable forms of identification include any form of identification described above; or a parent or legal guardian's identification as described above.

NOTICE

Disclosure Statement—Under Fish and Game Code (FGC) Sections 395-398 and Section 670, Title 14, of the California Code of Regulations, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife is authorized to collect information from applicants to maintain a record of licensure. All information requested on this application is mandatory unless otherwise indicated. An applicant's name and city of residence may be provided to the public if requested. Under FGC Section 391, other personal information submitted on this application may be released for law enforcement purposes, pursuant to court order, or for official natural resources management purposes.

A licensee may obtain a copy of his/her license records maintained by the Department by submitting a written request to the Custodian of Records, License and Revenue Branch, PO Box 944209 Sacramento, CA 94244-2090 or LRB@wildlife.ca.gov. All requests must include the requester's name, address, and telephone number.

PAYMENT POLICY

***Personal or business checks** will be accepted by the Department if name and address are imprinted on the check. Checks returned to the Department due to insufficient funds will render your license invalid. The Department may also deny the issuance or renewal of any license if a person has failed to reimburse the Department for the amount due. Any activity performed without a valid license is a violation of the Fish and Game Code and therefore subject to enforcement action.

****Credit Cards**—Licenses, permits, tags, stamps, or registrations may be purchased with a Visa or MasterCard.

*****Cash**—The Department does not accept cash at its license sales offices.

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE OFFICES

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FRESNO — 1234 East Shaw Avenue, Fresno, CA 93710, (559) 222-3761 Ext. 151

FAIRFIELD — 2825 Cordelia Road, Suite 100, Fairfield, CA 94534 (707) 428-2002

RANCHO CORDOVA — 1701 Nimbus Road, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670, (916) 358-2900

SAN DIEGO — 3883 Ruffin Road, San Diego, CA 92123, (858) 467-4201

EUREKA — 619 2nd Street Eureka, CA 95501 (707) 445-6493

STOCKTON — 2109 Arch Airport Road Suite 100, Stockton, CA 95206 (209) 234-3420