



GEORGIA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

WILDLIFE RESOURCES DIVISION

Submit Application To:
LBRU-DISABILITY
2065 US Highway 278, SE
Social Circle, GA 30025

APPLICATION FOR 3 YEARS DISABILITY HUNTING & FISHING LICENSE

SEND COPIES--NO FORMS WILL BE RETURNED

Office use only: Date of Issue ___/___/___

Applicant Information

(YOUR APPLICATION WILL NOT BE PROCESSED WITHOUT PROOF OF GEORGIA RESIDENCY AND SIGNATURE). Attach copy of one of the following: Georgia Driver's License, voter registration card, automobile registration or State Issued ID card).

Name: _____ SSN ___/___/___

Mailing Address: _____

_____ Daytime Telephone:() _____
City State Zip

Driver's License #: _____ Date of Birth: ___/___/___ Sex: _____

Hunter Education #: _____ Hunter Education State: _____

Hunter Education required if born after January 1, 1961
(Only a fishing license will be issued without a Hunter Education number)

BY PLACING YOUR INITIALS HERE YOU WILL RECEIVE ONLY A FISHING LICENSE: _____

Qualifying Criteria For Disability License Issuance

Georgia Law O.C.G.A. 27-2-4 provides that a person may receive an honorary license provided he/she is permanently and totally disabled so as to prevent gainful employment, and provided the certification of such disability is made by one of the agencies listed below. Check the agency below that has certified you as disabled and attach a copy of such certification to the back of this form.

Forms received without such documentation will be returned to the applicant.

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| 1. ___ Social Security Administration (Notice of Award Letter) | 4. ___ Other Governmental Agency |
| 2. ___ United States Department of Veterans Affairs (100% disability) | 5. ___ Physician's Certification of Blindness |
| 3. ___ Railroad Retirement Board (Disability Retirements Only) | (Fishing License Only) Certification must state you are legally blind. |

You may call 1-800-772-1213 (Social Security Office):
Ask for a recently dated "Benefit Verification Letter" indicating when the disability began.

Applicant's Statement

In accordance with Ga. Code 27-2-4, I certify that I am totally disabled and unable to hold gainful employment and that I am a resident of Georgia. I further certify that my disability is permanent. I understand that it is unlawful for any person to use an honorary license for which they are not entitled.

Sign: _____ Date: _____

Instructions for completing Disability License Application Form

To qualify for your Disability License, you must satisfy several criteria:

1. You must be disabled to the extent that you **cannot hold gainful employment**
2. You must be a Georgia resident
3. The disability must be considered to be **permanent**.
4. You must be certified as being disabled by one of the following:
 - The Social Security Administration is acceptable **if it mentions disability as the reason for benefits**.
 - The Department of Veterans Affairs. They must state disability is **Total (or 100%) and Permanent**
 - The Railroad Retirement Board (**but only for Disability Retirements**).
 - Any unit of federal, state, county or municipal government recognized by the board, such as the United States Civil Service Commission, the State Merit System etc. **and from which you are receiving disability benefits**.

In very rare cases, your private physician may certify your disability. Such cases are limited to the following situations exclusively:

1. You have never worked in a job covered by any of the above referenced agencies, or did not work long enough to receive disability benefits from such agency (Note: documentation must include a copy of the rejection letter from the Social Security Administration Office)
2. You are legally blind. (Note: you may obtain an honorary **fishing only** license if you are totally blind and gainfully employed. However, you cannot obtain an Honorary Combination Hunting and Fishing License if you are blind and gainfully employed.)

In all other cases, proper documentation must accompany the application. Documentation from the agencies vary as to form, but in order to qualify as certification for free hunting and fishing licenses, any such documentation must contain the following elements.

1. It must state that **you are disabled**.
2. It must contain language attesting to the fact that such disability is **considered permanent**
3. It must state the **date the disability began**
4. It must be less **than one year since the documentation was prepared**. If more than one year has lapsed since the date of the documentation, it must be updated before being submitted.
5. It must show your **Georgia address**.

NOTE: Your Disability License is a full privilege Sportsman License, unless it is designated "FISHING ONLY". The only other things you may need are a no-charge Deer Harvest Record for hunting deer, HIP license for migratory birds and a Federal Duck Stamp for hunting waterfowl. The Deer Harvest Record and HIP are available anywhere licenses are sold. The Federal Waterfowl Stamp is available at Post Offices and at many license-selling outlets. There is a federally required fee for the Federal Waterfowl Stamp.

SPECIAL NOTE: Effective with Disability Licenses issued on/after July 1, 1998; such licenses are valid for three (3) years from date of issue. They may be renewed upon satisfactory documentation of continuing disability. Such documentation must be in the same form as was used to qualify for the license initially, and must be current; that is, such documentation must have been obtained within one (1) year of the date of requalification for the Disability License. Yearly income statements from Social Security are not acceptable documentation. The documentation that you send to us must state that you are receiving disability benefits. Doctor's statements are only acceptable if you are legally blind or have never worked at a job covered by Social Security or other federal, state or local government retirement plan. Persons disabled because of mental impairment eligible for honorary fishing license only.

We will not accept a copy of your check as proof of disability. If you are renewing your license, you can send in a copy of your yearly statement as proof of continuing disability. If you are applying for your license for the first time, you must send in a letter from one of the departments on the front of this application and it must state that you are disabled.