

## ***Attention New Residents***

### **South Carolina Resident License**

To qualify as a South Carolina resident, you must have a valid South Carolina driver's license or South Carolina state issued ID card. The date of issue on your South Carolina driver's license or state-issued ID card determines the length of your residency. There are residency requirements that determine the type of hunting or fishing license you can purchase.

For temporary, annual and three-year hunting and fishing licenses you must have been a resident for 30 days. For a lifetime license you must have been a resident for 180 days. For a disability and commercial licenses, you must have been a resident for 365 days.

If you hold a driver's license from another state, you are considered a nonresident and must purchase nonresident licenses. Ownership of property does not automatically qualify you as a resident. Active-duty military and their dependents stationed in SC for 60 days or longer and full-time students are exempt.

Link to the New Resident Recreational Hunting and Fishing License Application:

<https://www.dnr.sc.gov/licenses/pdf/expressresident.pdf>

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