



Dear Landowners / Agents:

**September 2020 Alligator Season** CITES hide tags for “**Core Counties**” and special properties will be issued on the designated dates and times below by Texas Parks and Wildlife Department staff. Alligator CITES tags cost \$21.00 each. If tags are not picked up as scheduled, tags will be issued by **appointment only** as time permits. No hide tags will be issued after **September 7, 2020**. Only **check or money order** will be accepted as payment for alligator hide tags; please note that cash or credit cards cannot be accepted. Alligator hide tags will not be issued to anyone that does not submit a valid **date of birth and driver’s license number or TPWD hunting license number**.

Landowners/agents must have the **GPS** coordinates for their property entrance, **aerial map** of property and **deed or property tax** showing ownership. **There are no exceptions to this requirement**. The GPS coordinates should be in **degree, minute and decimal seconds** (e.g. 29°58’08.13”N, 93°54’51.96”W). **Landowner’s agents must have a notarized affidavit for each landowner represented**.

In areas where hide tag issuance rates are not straightforward (such as easements, property transfers, multiple owners of the same property, undivided interests, disputable habitat, etc.) TPWD reserves the right to not issue for a given property until all parties reach a suitable agreement.

Issuance rates will be determined by the Department. If a private or public entity controls the waterbody then all hide tags may be issued to the public or private entity for distribution as they see fit.

Tag issuance is generally based on the landowner holding at least 300 acres of alligator habitat. Applicants that receive a tag every three years (“opportunity issuance”) receive tags from TPWD to grant hunting opportunity to those with a component of land adjacent to a waterbody, and is not a recognition of alligator habitat per se. Landowners eligible for the one-in-three year issuance rate must pick up tags for their own property (agent status cannot be assigned).

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and current TPWD safety protocol, please be advised that **ALL APPLICANTS FOR ALLIGATOR TAGS MUST WEAR A MASK AND PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING**. Please note that some issuance locations have changed from previous years due to temporary facility closures. To streamline issuance and limit exposure, **tags will not be issued to new properties unless the landowner notifies staff before the issuance date**.

If an issuance location is not listed below for your county, or if you intend to pick up tags at a location other than that assigned for your county, prior notice should be given.

Bay City Service Center (979-323-9553) located at 2105 Avenue M, Bay City, TX 77414. **Wednesday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Brazoria and Matagorda Counties).**

Guadalupe Delta WMA (361-552-6637) located at 13815 S. Hwy. 35, Port Lavaca, TX 77979. **Wednesday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Calhoun, Jackson, Refugio and Victoria Counties).**

J. D. Murphree WMA (409-736-3625) located at 10 Parks and Wildlife Drive, Port Arthur, TX 77640. **Tuesday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020 from 8:00 am to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Chambers, Jefferson, Galveston, Liberty and Orange Counties)**

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Lufkin Field Office (936-639-1879) located at 1805 E. Lufkin Avenue, Lufkin, TX 75901. **Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Angelina, Trinity and Nacogdoches Counties)**

462 Castlewood Road (936- 327-8487), Livingston, TX 77351. **Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Liberty, Polk, San Jacinto and Tyler Counties)**

Jasper District Office Complex (409-384-6894) located at 289 CR 098, Jasper, TX 75951. **Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Jasper, Hardin, Newton, Sabine and San Augustine Counties)**

**Forms related to the September alligator hunting season can now be found online:**  
[https://tpwd.texas.gov/business/permits/land/wildlife\\_management/alligator/](https://tpwd.texas.gov/business/permits/land/wildlife_management/alligator/)

**Please bring your 2019 (or most recent) Application and Receipt for Alligator Hide Tags form (PWD 369) if you have it.**

Sincerely,

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