

“commissioners” pursuant to Pub. L. 90-578. See chapter 43 (§631 et seq.) of Title 28.

§ 718g. Violations

Any person that violates or fails to comply with any provision of this subchapter (including a regulation promulgated under this subchapter) shall be subject to the penalties described in section 707 of this title.

(Mar. 16, 1934, ch. 71, §7, as added Pub. L. 109-266, §10(h), Aug. 3, 2006, 120 Stat. 678.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 718g, act Mar. 16, 1934, ch. 71, §7, 48 Stat. 452, related to penalties prior to repeal by Pub. L. 109-266, §10(h), Aug. 3, 2006, 120 Stat. 677.

§ 718h. Cooperation

The Secretary is authorized to cooperate with the States and the territories and possessions of the United States in the enforcement of this subchapter.

(Mar. 16, 1934, ch. 71, §8, as added Pub. L. 109-266, §10(h), Aug. 3, 2006, 120 Stat. 678.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 718h, act Mar. 16, 1934, ch. 71, §8, 48 Stat. 452; 1939 Reorg. Plan No. II, §4(f), eff. July 1, 1939, 4 F.R. 2731, 53 Stat. 1433, related to cooperation with States and Territories prior to repeal by Pub. L. 109-266, §10(h), Aug. 3, 2006, 120 Stat. 677.

§ 718i. Use of contest fees

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds received by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service in the form of fees for entering any Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp contest shall be credited—

(1) first, to the appropriation account from which expenditures for the administration of the contest are made; and

(2) second, to the extent any funds remain, to the Migratory Bird Conservation Fund.

(Mar. 16, 1934, ch. 71, §9, as added Pub. L. 109-266, §10(h), Aug. 3, 2006, 120 Stat. 678.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 9 of act Mar. 16, 1934, was classified to section 718 of this title prior to repeal by Pub. L. 109-266, §10(h), Aug. 3, 2006, 120 Stat. 677.

A prior section 718i, act June 28, 1941, ch. 259, §1, 55 Stat. 356, related to disposal of surplus stamps and restricted use of stamps to the fiscal year for which issued prior to repeal by act July 30, 1956, ch. 782, §3(d), formerly §3(c), 70 Stat. 722, renumbered Pub. L. 109-266, §10(i)(1), Aug. 3, 2006, 120 Stat. 679.

§ 718j. Definitions

(a) In general

In this subchapter, the terms defined in the Migratory Bird Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 715 et seq.) and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16 U.S.C. 703 et seq.) have the meanings given those terms in those Acts.

(b) Other definitions

In this subchapter:

(1) Hunting year

The term “hunting year” means the 1-year period beginning on July 1 of each year.

(2) Migratory waterfowl

The term “migratory waterfowl” means the species enumerated in paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of article I of the Convention between the United States and Great Britain for the Protection of Migratory Birds, signed at Washington on August 16, 1916 (USTS 628) (16 U.S.C. 703 et seq.).

(3) Secretary

The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of the Interior.

(4) State

The term “State” means—

(A) a State;

(B) the District of Columbia;

(C) the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico;

(D) Guam;

(E) American Samoa;

(F) the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands;

(G) the Federated States of Micronesia;

(H) the Republic of the Marshall Islands;

(I) the Republic of Palau; and

(J) the United States Virgin Islands.

(5) Take

The term “take” means—

(A) to pursue, hunt, shoot, capture, collect, or kill; or

(B) to attempt to pursue, hunt, shoot, capture, collect, or kill.

(Mar. 16, 1934, ch. 71, §10, as added Pub. L. 109-266, §10(h), Aug. 3, 2006, 120 Stat. 678.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Migratory Bird Conservation Act, referred to in subsec. (a), is act Feb. 18, 1929, ch. 257, 45 Stat. 1222, which is classified generally to subchapter III (§715 et seq.) of chapter 7 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 715 of this title and Tables.

The Migratory Bird Treaty Act, referred to in subsec. (a), is act July 3, 1918, ch. 128, 40 Stat. 755, which is classified generally to subchapter II (§703 et seq.) of chapter 7 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 710 of this title and Tables.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 718j, Mar. 16, 1934, ch. 71, §10, as added Pub. L. 97-307, Oct. 14, 1982, 96 Stat. 1450, related to crediting of funds received as fees for entering migratory-bird hunting and conservation stamp contest prior to repeal by Pub. L. 109-266, §10(h), Aug. 3, 2006, 120 Stat. 677.

§ 718k. Use of fees collected for Federal migratory bird permits

On and after October 21, 1998, all fees collected for Federal migratory bird permits shall be available to the Secretary, without further appropriation, to be used for the expenses of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in administering such Federal migratory bird permits, and shall remain available until expended.

(Pub. L. 105-277, div. A, §101(e) [title I], Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-231, 2681-236.)

SUBCHAPTER IV—A—PERMANENT ELECTRONIC DUCK STAMP

§ 718o. Definitions

In this subchapter:

(1) Actual stamp

The term “actual stamp” means a Federal migratory-bird hunting and conservation stamp required under the Act of March 16, 1934 (16 U.S.C. 718a et seq.) (popularly known as the “Duck Stamp Act”), that is printed on paper and sold through the means established by the authority of the Secretary immediately before December 18, 2014.

(2) Automated licensing system**(A) In general**

The term “automated licensing system” means an electronic, computerized licensing system used by a State fish and wildlife agency to issue hunting, fishing, and other associated licenses and products.

(B) Inclusion

The term “automated licensing system” includes a point-of-sale, Internet, telephonic system, or other electronic applications used for a purpose described in subparagraph (A).

(3) Electronic stamp

The term “electronic stamp” means an electronic version of an actual stamp that—

(A) is a unique identifier for the individual to whom it is issued;

(B) can be printed on paper or produced through an electronic application with the same indicators as the State endorsement provides;

(C) is issued through a State automated licensing system that is authorized, under State law and by the Secretary under this subchapter, to issue electronic stamps;

(D) is compatible with the hunting licensing system of the State that issues the electronic stamp; and

(E) is described in the State application approved by the Secretary under section 718q(b) of this title.

(4) Secretary

The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of the Interior.

(Pub. L. 113–239, § 2, Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 2847.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Act of March 16, 1934, referred to in par. (1), is act Mar. 16, 1934, ch. 71, 48 Stat. 451, known as the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp Act, and also popularly known as the Duck Stamp Act, which is classified generally to subchapter IV (§ 718 et seq.) of this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 718 of this title and Tables.

SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 113–239, § 1, Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 2847, provided that: “This Act [enacting this subchapter] may be cited as the ‘Permanent Electronic Duck Stamp Act of 2013.’”

§ 718p. Authority to issue electronic duck stamps**(a) In general**

The Secretary may authorize any State to issue electronic stamps in accordance with this subchapter.

(b) Consultation

The Secretary shall implement this section in consultation with State management agencies.

(Pub. L. 113–239, § 3, Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 2848.)

§ 718q. State application**(a) Approval of application required**

The Secretary may not authorize a State to issue electronic stamps under this subchapter unless the Secretary has received and approved an application submitted by the State in accordance with this section. The Secretary may determine the number of new States per year to participate in the electronic stamp program.

(b) Contents of application

The Secretary may not approve a State application unless the application contains—

(1) a description of the format of the electronic stamp that the State will issue under this subchapter, including identifying features of the licensee that will be specified on the stamp;

(2) a description of any fee the State will charge for issuance of an electronic stamp;

(3) a description of the process the State will use to account for and transfer to the Secretary the amounts collected by the State that are required to be transferred to the Secretary under the program;

(4) the manner by which the State will transmit electronic stamp customer data to the Secretary;

(5) the manner by which actual stamps will be delivered;

(6) the policies and procedures under which the State will issue duplicate electronic stamps; and

(7) such other policies, procedures, and information as may be reasonably required by the Secretary.

(c) Publication of deadlines, eligibility requirements, and selection criteria

Not later than 30 days before the date on which the Secretary begins accepting applications under this section, the Secretary shall publish—

(1) deadlines for submission of applications;

(2) eligibility requirements for submitting applications; and

(3) criteria for approving applications.

(Pub. L. 113–239, § 4, Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 2848.)

§ 718r. State obligations and authorities**(a) Delivery of actual stamp**

The Secretary shall require that each individual to whom a State sells an electronic stamp under this subchapter shall receive an actual stamp—

(1) by not later than the date on which the electronic stamp expires under section 718s(c) of this title; and

(2) in a manner agreed upon by the State and Secretary.

(b) Collection and transfer of electronic stamp revenue and customer information**(1) Requirement to transmit**

The Secretary shall require each State authorized to issue electronic stamps to collect and submit to the Secretary in accordance with this section—

(A) the first name, last name, and complete mailing address of each individual that purchases an electronic stamp from the State;

(B) the face value amount of each electronic stamp sold by the State; and

(C) the amount of the Federal portion of any fee required by the agreement for each stamp sold.

(2) Time of transmittal

The Secretary shall require the submission under paragraph (1) to be made with respect to sales of electronic stamps by a State according to the written agreement between the Secretary and the State agency.

(3) Additional fees not affected

This section shall not apply to the State portion of any fee collected by a State under subsection (c).

(c) Electronic stamp issuance fee

A State authorized to issue electronic stamps may charge a reasonable fee to cover costs incurred by the State and the Department of the Interior in issuing electronic stamps under this subchapter, including costs of delivery of actual stamps.

(d) Duplicate electronic stamps

A State authorized to issue electronic stamps may issue a duplicate electronic stamp to replace an electronic stamp issued by the State that is lost or damaged.

(e) Limitation on authority to require purchase of State license

A State may not require that an individual purchase a State hunting license as a condition of issuing an electronic stamp under this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 113-239, § 5, Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 2848.)

§ 718s. Electronic stamp requirements; recognition of electronic stamp

(a) Stamp requirements

The Secretary shall require an electronic stamp issued by a State under this subchapter—

(1) to have the same format as any other license, validation, or privilege the State issues under the automated licensing system of the State; and

(2) to specify identifying features of the licensee that are adequate to enable Federal, State, and other law enforcement officers to identify the holder.

(b) Recognition of electronic stamp

Any electronic stamp issued by a State under this subchapter shall, during the effective period of the electronic stamp—

(1) bestow upon the licensee the same privileges as are bestowed by an actual stamp;

(2) be recognized nationally as a valid Federal migratory bird hunting and conservation stamp; and

(3) authorize the licensee to hunt migratory waterfowl in any other State, in accordance with the laws of the other State governing that hunting.

(c) Duration

An electronic stamp issued by a State shall be valid for a period agreed to by the State and the Secretary, which shall not exceed 45 days.

(Pub. L. 113-239, § 6, Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 2849.)

§ 718t. Termination of State participation

The authority of a State to issue electronic stamps under this subchapter may be terminated—

(1) by the Secretary, if the Secretary—

(A) finds that the State has violated any of the terms of the application of the State approved by the Secretary under section 718q of this title; and

(B) provides to the State written notice of the termination by not later than the date that is 30 days before the date of termination; or

(2) by the State, by providing written notice to the Secretary by not later than the date that is 30 days before the termination date.

(Pub. L. 113-239, § 7, Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 2849.)

SUBCHAPTER V—JUNIOR DUCK STAMP CONSERVATION AND DESIGN PROGRAM

§ 719. Establishment of Program

(a) In general

The Secretary of the Interior (in this subchapter referred to as the “Secretary”) may carry out in accordance with this subchapter a program to be known as the “Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program” (in this subchapter referred to as the “Program”) to accomplish the goals of—

(1) providing to school children environmental education opportunities relating to the conservation and management of migratory birds; and

(2) increasing the capacity for schools, States, and other educational programs to conduct conservation and education programs.

(b) Program features

The Program shall consist of—

(1) conducting in all interested States the activities which on the day before October 6, 1994, are conducted under the program known as the Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program;

(2) other activities authorized under the Program by this subchapter or any other Act; and

(3) any other activity necessary to carry out the conservation and education goals of the Program.

(c) Effort to conduct Program in all States

(1) In general

The Secretary shall take appropriate steps to seek to conduct the Program in all of the States.

(2) Annual report

The Secretary shall annually submit a report to the Congress on the status of the Program in each of the States.

(Pub. L. 103-340, § 2, Oct. 6, 1994, 108 Stat. 3119; Pub. L. 106-316, § 2(1), Oct. 19, 2000, 114 Stat. 1276.)