

Wildlife Restoration Act

**Tax on Firearms & Ammunition
(11%)**

**Tax on Pistols, Revolvers, & Handguns
(10%)**

**Tax on Bows, Quivers, Broadheads, Arrows, and
Points (11%)
(*\$0.52 per arrow shaft*)**

Revenue transferred or deposited to the Trust Fund



Interest earned
on Trust Fund
[16 U.S.C. 669b(b)]



**North American Wetlands
Conservation Fund**

Wildlife Restoration Trust Fund

Initial Deductions from the Trust Fund



WSFR Administrative Funds
(\$ based on prior year
amount, adjusted to CPI)
Taken from total taxes
[16 U.S.C. 669c(a)]



**Traditional Multistate
Conservation Grant Program**
(\$3 million)
Taken from total taxes
[16 U.S.C. 669h-2(a)(1)(A)]



**R3 Multistate
Conservation Grant Program**
(\$5 million)
*Taken from taxes on bows, quivers,
broadheads, arrows, & points*
[16 U.S.C. 669h-2(a)(1)(B)]



**Enhanced Hunter Education
and Safety Program / R3¹**
(\$8 million)
Taken from total taxes
[16 U.S.C. 669h-1(a)]



**Basic Hunter Education and
Safety Subprogram / R3¹**
*½ of taxes collected on pistols, revolvers,
handguns, bows, quivers, broadheads,
arrows, & points*
[16 U.S.C. 669c(c)]

Distribution of Remaining Trust Fund after Initial Deductions



Traditional Wildlife Restoration Program
Remaining funds from taxes on firearms, ammunition, pistols, revolvers,
handguns, bows, quivers, broadheads, arrows, & points.
[16 U.S.C. 669c(b)]

¹ R3 refers to hunter recruitment and recreational shooter recruitment activities (16 U.S.C. 669a(3)) authorized under the Modernizing PR Act (P. Law 116-94).

Apportionment of Funds under the Wildlife Restoration Programs/Subprograms



Basic Hunter Education and Safety Subprogram (BHE) / R3

Enhanced Hunter Education and Safety Program (EHE) / R3 (\$8 million)

Traditional Wildlife Restoration Program

½ of taxes collected on pistols, revolvers, handguns, bows, quivers, broadheads, arrows, & points
[16 U.S.C. 669c(c)]

Taken from total taxes
[16 U.S.C. 669h-1(a)]

Taken from taxes on firearms, ammunition, pistols, revolvers, handguns, bows, quivers, broadheads, arrows, and points.
[16 U.S.C. 669c(b)]

Funds distributed as separate BHE/R3 and EHE/R3 apportionments, using the same formula for each. Formula based on population compared to the total U.S. population using last census figures.
[16 U.S.C. 669c(c)(1-3)] [16 U.S.C. 669h-1(a)(1)]

* No state shall receive more than 3% or less than 1% of the total available funds.

* Puerto Rico, Guam, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, & Northern Mariana Islands receive 1/6 of 1%.

Funds distributed using a two-part formula:

(a) 50 % area of each State bears to the total area of all the States; and

(b) 50% number of paid, certified hunting license holders in each State bears to the total number of paid, certified hunting licenses of all the States.
[16 U.S.C. 669c(c)(b)]

* No state shall receive more than 5% or less than ½ of 1% of the total available funds.

* Guam, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, & Northern Mariana Islands receive 1/6 of 1%. Puerto Rico receives ½ of 1%.



States/Insular areas annual apportionment for Basic Hunter Education and Safety Subprogram / R3

States/Insular areas annual apportionment for Enhanced Hunter Education and Safety Program / R3

States/Insular areas annual apportionment for Traditional Wildlife Restoration Program

Wildlife Restoration Program, Subprogram, Subaccount Information



5231: Enhanced Hunter Education & Safety Program / R3¹

- 1-year funds.
- 75% Federal / 25% non-Federal
- Reverted funds are reapportioned (as WR funds) the following year.

States may choose to allocate all or part of their 5231 apportionment to the new Public Target Range – EHE Subaccount (5241) for acquiring land for, expanding, or constructing public target ranges.



5240: Public Target Range – EHE Safety Margin Rollup

5241: Public Target Range – EHE Subaccount²

- 5-year funds.
- 90% Federal / 10% non-Federal
- Reverted funds are reapportioned (as WR funds) the following year.



States may choose to allocate their 5221 on WR eligible activities. (50 CFR 80.60)



5220: Wildlife Restoration Program Safety Margin Rollup

5222: Traditional Wildlife Restoration Program

- 2-year funds.
- 75% Federal / 25% non-Federal
- Reverted funds are returned to the USFWS to carry out the Migratory Bird Conservation Act.

States may choose to allocate not more than 10% of their current year WR apportionment (5222) to the new Public Target Range – WR Subaccount (5252) to be combined with 5241 funds. [16 U.S.C. 669h-1(a)(3)]

5221: Basic Hunter Education & Safety Subprogram / R3

- 2-year funds.
- 75% Federal / 25% non-Federal
- Reverted funds are returned to the USFWS to carry out the Migratory Bird Conservation Act.

States may choose to allocate all or part of their 5221 apportionment to the new Public Target Range – BHE Subaccount (5251) for acquiring land for, expanding, or constructing public target ranges.



5250: Public Target Range – WR/BHE Safety Margin Rollup

5252: Public Target Range – WR Subaccount²

- 5-year funds.
- 90% Federal / 10% non-Federal
- Reverted funds are returned to the USFWS to carry out the Migratory Bird Conservation Act.

5251: Public Target Range – BHE Subaccount²

- 5-year funds.
- 90% Federal / 10% non-Federal
- Reverted funds are returned to the USFWS to carry out the Migratory Bird Conservation Act.

¹ If the current year's apportionment of Basic Hunter Education funding (5221 and 5251) is fully obligated for activities listed at 16 U.S.C. 669g(b), then the State may use their current year's apportionment of Enhanced Hunter Education funds (5231) for eligible activities related to Wildlife Restoration, Basic Hunter Education, or Enhanced Hunter Education.

² Eligible activities for funding include acquiring land for, expanding, or construction public target ranges.

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