

**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Fish and Wildlife Service****50 CFR Part 20**

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**Migratory Bird Hunting; Late Seasons and Bag and Possession Limits for Certain Migratory Game Birds****AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This rule prescribes the hunting seasons, hours, areas, and daily bag and possession limits for general waterfowl seasons and those early seasons for which States previously deferred selection. Taking of migratory birds is prohibited unless specifically provided for by annual regulations. This rule permits the taking of designated species during the 2009–10 season.

**DATES:** This rule is effective on September 26, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** You may inspect comments received on the migratory bird hunting regulations during normal business hours at the Service's office in room 4107, Arlington Square Building, 4501 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia. You may obtain copies of referenced reports from the street address above, or from the Division of Migratory Bird Management's Web site at <http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/>, or at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robert Blohm, Chief, or Ron W. Kokel, Division of Migratory Bird Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, (703) 358-1714.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Regulations Schedule for 2009**

On April 10, 2009, we published in the **Federal Register** (74 FR 16339) a proposal to amend 50 CFR part 20. The proposal provided a background and overview of the migratory bird hunting regulations process, and dealt with the establishment of seasons, limits, and other regulations for hunting migratory game birds under §§ 20.101 through 20.107, 20.109, and 20.110 of subpart K. Major steps in the 2009–10 regulatory cycle relating to open public meetings and **Federal Register** notifications were also identified in the April 10 proposed rule. Further, we explained that all sections of subsequent documents outlining hunting frameworks and guidelines were organized under numbered headings. Subsequent

documents will refer only to numbered items requiring attention. Therefore, it is important to note that we will omit those items requiring no attention, and remaining numbered items will be discontinuous and appear incomplete.

On May 27, 2009, we published in the **Federal Register** (74 FR 25209) a second document providing supplemental proposals for early- and late-season migratory bird hunting regulations. The May 27 supplement also provided detailed information on the 2009–10 regulatory schedule and announced the Service Migratory Bird Regulations Committee (SRC) and Flyway Council meetings.

On June 24 and 25, 2009, we held open meetings with the Flyway Council Consultants at which the participants reviewed information on the current status of migratory shore and upland game birds and developed recommendations for the 2009–10 regulations for these species plus regulations for migratory game birds in Alaska, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands, special September waterfowl seasons in designated States, special sea duck seasons in the Atlantic Flyway, and extended falconry seasons. In addition, we reviewed and discussed preliminary information on the status of waterfowl as it relates to the development and selection of the regulatory packages for the 2009–10 regular waterfowl seasons. On July 24, 2009, we published in the **Federal Register** (74 FR 36870) a third document specifically dealing with the proposed frameworks for early-season regulations. On August 25, 2009, we published in the **Federal Register** (74 FR 43008) a rulemaking establishing final frameworks for early-season migratory bird hunting regulations for the 2009–10 season. Subsequently, on August 31, 2009, we published a final rule in the **Federal Register** (74 FR 45032) amending subpart K of title 50 CFR part 20 to set hunting seasons, hours, areas, and limits for early seasons.

On July 29–30, 2009, we held open meetings with the Flyway Council Consultants, at which the participants reviewed the status of waterfowl and developed recommendations for the 2009–10 regulations for these species. On August 13, 2009, we published in the **Federal Register** (74 FR 41008) the proposed frameworks for the 2009–10 late-season migratory bird hunting regulations. We published final late-season frameworks for migratory game bird hunting regulations, from which State wildlife conservation agency officials selected late-season hunting dates, hours, areas, and limits for 2009–

10, in a late September 2009 **Federal Register**.

The final rule described here is the final in the series of proposed, supplemental, and final rulemaking documents for migratory game bird hunting regulations for 2009–10 and deals specifically with amending subpart K of 50 CFR part 20. It sets hunting seasons, hours, areas, and limits for species subject to late-season regulations and those for early seasons that States previously deferred.

**National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Consideration**

NEPA considerations are covered by the programmatic document "Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement: Issuance of Annual Regulations Permitting the Sport Hunting of Migratory Birds (FSES 88–14)," filed with the Environmental Protection Agency on June 9, 1988. We published a notice of availability in the **Federal Register** on June 16, 1988 (53 FR 22582). We published our record of decision on August 18, 1988 (53 FR 31341). In addition, an August 1985 environmental assessment entitled "Guidelines for Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations on Federal Indian Reservations and Ceded Lands" is available by writing to the street address indicated under the caption **ADDRESSES**.

In a notice published in the September 8, 2005 **Federal Register** (70 FR 53376), we announced our intent to develop a new Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for the migratory bird hunting program. Public scoping meetings were held in the spring of 2006, as detailed in a March 9, 2006 **Federal Register** (71 FR 12216). A scoping report summarizing the scoping comments and scoping meetings is available by either writing to the street address indicated under **ADDRESSES** or by viewing our Web site at <http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/>.

**Endangered Species Act Consideration**

Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531–1543; 87 Stat. 884), provides that, "The Secretary shall review other programs administered by him and utilize such programs in furtherance of the purposes of this Act" (and) shall "insure that any action authorized, funded or carried out \* \* \* is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of any endangered species or threatened species or result in the destruction or adverse modification of [critical] habitat \* \* \*". Consequently, we conducted consultations to ensure that actions resulting from these regulations would not likely jeopardize the continued

existence of endangered or threatened species or result in the destruction or adverse modification of their critical habitat. Findings from these consultations are included in the Section 7 Consultation on the Proposed 2009–10 Migratory Game Bird Hunting Regulations (dated August 24, 2009). The consultation concluded that the 2009–10 regulations are not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of either the whooping crane or Steller's eider. To prevent take of whooping cranes, the Contingency Plan for Federal-State Cooperative Protection of whooping cranes provides a protective program in 13 States. In addition, the State of Kansas will implement specific restrictions to avoid accidental shootings. To prevent take of Steller's eiders, the 2009–10 regulations include the continued implementation of measures initiated and outlined under the 2009 Alaska migratory bird subsistence regulations. These measures include Service initiated conservation measures that increase migratory bird hunter outreach prior to the opening of the hunting season, increased Service enforcement of migratory bird regulations, and conducting in-season harvest verification of Steller's eider mortality and injury. Additionally, any modifications resulting from this consultation may have caused modification of some regulatory measures previously proposed. The final frameworks reflect any modifications. Our biological opinions resulting from this section 7 consultation are public documents available for public inspection in the Service's Division of Endangered Species and Division of Migratory Bird Management, at the street address indicated under **ADDRESSES**.

#### Executive Order 12866

The Office of Management and Budget has determined that this rule is significant and has reviewed this rule under Executive Order 12866. OMB bases its determination of regulatory significance upon the following four criteria:

(a) Whether the rule will have an annual effect of \$100 million or more on the economy or adversely affect an economic sector, productivity, jobs, the environment, or other units of the government.

(b) Whether the rule will create inconsistencies with other Federal agencies' actions.

(c) Whether the rule will materially affect entitlements, grants, user fees, loan programs, or the rights and obligations of their recipients.

(d) Whether the rule raises novel legal or policy issues.

An economic analysis was prepared for the 2008–09 season. This analysis was based on data from the 2006 National Hunting and Fishing Survey, the most recent year for which data are available (see discussion in Regulatory Flexibility Act section below). This analysis estimates consumer surplus for three alternatives for duck hunting (estimates for other species are not quantified due to lack of data). The alternatives are (1) issue restrictive regulations allowing fewer days than those issued during the 2007–08 season, (2) issue moderate regulations allowing more days than those in alternative 1, and (3) issue liberal regulations identical to the regulations in the 2007–08 season. For the 2008–09 season, we chose alternative 3, with an estimated consumer surplus across all flyways of \$205–\$270 million. For the upcoming 2009–10 season, we again considered these three alternatives and again chose alternative 3 for ducks. We made minor modifications to the season frameworks for some other species, but these do not significantly change the economic impacts of the rule, which were not quantified for other species. For these reasons, we have not conducted a new economic analysis, but the 2008–09 analysis is part of the record for this rule and is available at <http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/NewReportsPublications/SpecialTopics/SpecialTopics.html#HuntingRegs> or at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

#### Regulatory Flexibility Act

The regulations have a significant economic impact on substantial numbers of small entities under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*). We analyzed the economic impacts of the annual hunting regulations on small business entities in detail as part of the 1981 cost-benefit analysis. This analysis was revised annually from 1990–95. In 1995, the Service issued a Small Entity Flexibility Analysis (Analysis), which was subsequently updated in 1996, 1998, 2004, and 2008. The primary source of information about hunter expenditures for migratory game bird hunting is the National Hunting and Fishing Survey, which is conducted at 5-year intervals. The 2008 Analysis was based on the 2006 National Hunting and Fishing Survey and the U.S. Department of Commerce's County Business Patterns, from which it was estimated that migratory bird hunters would spend approximately \$1.2 billion at small businesses in 2008. Copies of the Analysis are available upon request

from the street address indicated under **ADDRESSES** or from our Web site at <http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/NewReportsPublications/SpecialTopics/SpecialTopics.html#HuntingRegs> or at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

#### Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act

This rule is a major rule under 5 U.S.C. 804(2), the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act. For the reasons outlined above, this rule has an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more.

#### Paperwork Reduction Act

We examined these regulations under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). The various recordkeeping and reporting requirements imposed under regulations established in 50 CFR part 20, subpart K, are utilized in the formulation of migratory game bird hunting regulations. Specifically, OMB has approved the information collection requirements of our Migratory Bird Surveys and assigned control number 1018–0023 (expires 2/28/2011). This information is used to provide a sampling frame for voluntary national surveys to improve our harvest estimates for all migratory game birds in order to better manage these populations. OMB has also approved the information collection requirements of the Alaska Subsistence Household Survey, an associated voluntary annual household survey used to determine levels of subsistence take in Alaska, and assigned control number 1018–0124 (expires 1/31/2010). A Federal agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

#### Unfunded Mandates Reform Act

We have determined and certify, in compliance with the requirements of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act, 2 U.S.C. 1502 *et seq.*, that this rulemaking will not impose a cost of \$100 million or more in any given year on local or State government or private entities. Therefore, this rule is not a "significant regulatory action" under the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

#### Civil Justice Reform—Executive Order 12988

The Department, in promulgating this rule, has determined that it will not unduly burden the judicial system and that it meets the requirements of sections 3(a) and 3(b)(2) of Executive Order 12988.

### Takings Implication Assessment

In accordance with Executive Order 12630, this rule, authorized by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, does not have significant takings implications and does not affect any constitutionally protected property rights. This rule will not result in the physical occupancy of property, the physical invasion of property, or the regulatory taking of any property. In fact, these rules allow hunters to exercise otherwise unavailable privileges and, therefore, reduce restrictions on the use of private and public property.

### Energy Effects—Executive Order 13211

Executive Order 13211 requires agencies to prepare Statements of Energy Effects when undertaking certain actions. While this rule is a significant regulatory action under Executive Order 12866, it is not expected to adversely affect energy supplies, distribution, or use. Therefore, this action is not a significant energy action and no Statement of Energy Effects is required.

### Government-to-Government Relationship With Tribes

In accordance with the President's memorandum of April 29, 1994, "Government-to-Government Relations with Native American Tribal Governments" (59 FR 22951), Executive Order 13175, and 512 DM 2, we have evaluated possible effects on Federally-recognized Indian tribes and have determined that there are no effects on Indian trust resources. However, in the April 10 **Federal Register**, we solicited proposals for special migratory bird hunting regulations for certain Tribes on Federal Indian reservations, off-reservation trust lands, and ceded lands for the 2009–10 migratory bird hunting season. The resulting proposals were contained in a separate August 11, 2009, proposed rule (74 FR 40138). By virtue of these actions, we have consulted with Tribes affected by this rule.

### Federalism Effects

Due to the migratory nature of certain species of birds, the Federal Government has been given responsibility over these species by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. We annually prescribe frameworks from which the States make selections regarding the hunting of migratory birds, and we employ guidelines to establish special regulations on Federal Indian reservations and ceded lands. This process preserves the ability of the States and Tribes to determine which seasons meet their individual needs. Any State or Indian Tribe may be more restrictive than the Federal frameworks at any time. The frameworks are developed in a cooperative process with the States and the Flyway Councils. This process allows States to participate in the development of frameworks from which they will make selections, thereby having an influence on their own regulations. These rules do not have a substantial direct effect on fiscal capacity, change the roles or responsibilities of Federal or State governments, or intrude on State policy or administration. Therefore, in accordance with Executive Order 13132, these regulations do not have significant federalism effects and do not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

### Regulations Promulgation

The rulemaking process for migratory game bird hunting must, by its nature, operate under severe time constraints. However, we intend that the public be given the greatest possible opportunity to comment. Thus, when the preliminary proposed rulemaking was published, we established what we believed were the longest periods possible for public comment. In doing this, we recognized that when the comment period closed, time would be of the essence. That is, if there were a delay in the effective date of these regulations after this final rulemaking,

States would have insufficient time to select season dates and limits; to communicate those selections to us; and to establish and publicize the necessary regulations and procedures to implement their decisions. We therefore find that "good cause" exists, within the terms of 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3) of the Administrative Procedure Act, and these frameworks will, therefore, take effect immediately upon publication. Therefore, under authority of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (July 3, 1918), as amended (16 U.S.C. 703–711), we prescribe final frameworks setting forth the species to be hunted, the daily bag and possession limits, the shooting hours, the season lengths, the earliest opening and latest closing season dates, and hunting areas, from which State conservation agency officials will select hunting season dates and other options. Upon receipt of season selections from these officials, we will publish a final rulemaking amending 50 CFR part 20 to reflect seasons, limits, and shooting hours for the conterminous United States for the 2009–10 season.

### List of Subjects in 50 CFR Part 20

Exports, Hunting, Imports, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Transportation, Wildlife.

Dated: September 16, 2009.

**Thomas L. Strickland,**

*Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks.*

■ For the reasons set out in the preamble, title 50, chapter I, subchapter B, part 20, subpart K of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended as follows:

### PART 20—[AMENDED]

■ 1. The authority citation for part 20 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** Migratory Bird Treaty Act, 40 Stat. 755, 16 U.S.C. 703–712; Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956, 16 U.S.C. 742a–j; Pub. L. 106–108, 113 Stat. 1491, Note Following 16 U.S.C. 703.

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**Note - The following annual regulations provided for by §§20.104, 20.105, 20.106, 20.107, and 20.109 of 50 CFR part 20 will not appear in the Code of Federal Regulations because of their seasonal nature.**

CHECK STATE REGULATIONS FOR ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS AND DELINEATIONS OF GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS. SPECIAL RESTRICTIONS MAY APPLY ON FEDERAL AND STATE PUBLIC HUNTING AREAS AND FEDERAL INDIAN RESERVATIONS.

2. Section 20.104 is amended by adding the entries for the following States in alphabetical order to read as follows:

**§20.104 Seasons, limits, and shooting hours for rails, woodcock, and common snipe.**

Subject to the applicable provisions of the preceding sections of this part, areas open to hunting, respective open seasons (dates inclusive), shooting and hawking hours, and daily bag and possession limits for the species designated in this section are prescribed as follows:

Shooting and hawking hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset, except as otherwise restricted by State regulations.

Area descriptions were published in the August 13, 2009 (74 FR 41008) and August 25, 2009 (74 FR 43008), Federal Registers.

NOTE: The following seasons are in addition to the seasons published previously in the August 31, 2009, Federal Register (74 FR 45032).

	Sora & Virginia Rails	Clapper & King Rails	Woodcock	Common Snipe
Daily bag limit	25 (1)	15 (2)	3	8
Possession limit	25 (1)	30 (2)	6	16

ATLANTIC FLYWAY

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<u>Massachusetts</u> (5)	Sept. 1-Nov. 7	Closed	Oct. 15-Oct. 31 & Nov. 2-Nov. 14	Sept. 1-Dec. 16
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<u>Vermont</u>	Closed	Closed	Oct. 8-Nov. 6	Oct. 10-Dec. 18
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MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY

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<u>Louisiana</u>	Sept. 12-Sept. 27 & Nov. 14-Jan. 6	Sept. 12-Sept. 27 & Nov. 14-Jan. 6	Dec. 18-Jan. 31 28	Nov. 7-Dec. 11 Dec. 19-Feb.
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<u>Tennessee</u> Reelfoot Zone	Nov. 14-Nov. 15 & Dec. 5-Jan. 31	Closed	Oct. 31-Dec. 14	Nov. 14-Feb. 28

	Sora & Virginia Rails	Clapper & King Rails	Woodcock	Common Snipe
<u>Tennessee (cont.)</u>				
State Zone	Nov. 28-Nov. 29 & Dec. 5-Jan. 31	Closed	Oct. 31-Dec. 14	Nov. 14-Feb. 28
<u>Wisconsin</u>				
North Zone	Sept. 26-Nov. 24	Closed	Sept. 19-Nov. 2	Sept. 26-Nov. 24
South Zone	Oct. 3-Oct. 11 & Oct. 17-Dec. 6	Closed	Sept. 19-Nov. 2	Oct. 3-Oct. 11 & Oct. 17-Dec. 6
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<u>PACIFIC FLYWAY</u>				
<u>Arizona (18)</u>				
North Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 9-Jan. 17
South Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 23-Jan. 31
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<u>Idaho</u>				
Zone 1 & 2	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 3-Jan. 15
Zones 3	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 10-Jan. 22
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<u>Nevada</u>				
Lincoln and Clark Counties	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 17-Jan. 29
Rest of State	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 17-Jan. 30
		* * * * *		
<u>Oregon</u>				
Zone 1	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 17-Oct. 25 & Oct. 28-Jan. 31
Zone 2	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 10-Nov. 29 & Dec. 2-Jan. 24
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<u>Washington</u>				
East Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 17-Oct. 21 & Oct. 24-Jan. 31
West Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 17-Oct. 21 & Oct. 24-Jan. 31
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- (1) The bag and possession limits for sora and Virginia rails apply singly or in the aggregate of these species.
- (2) All bag and possession limits for clapper and king rails apply singly or in the aggregate of the two species and, unless otherwise specified, the limits are in addition to the limits on sora and Virginia rails in all States. In Delaware, the limits for clapper and king rails are 10 daily and 20 in possession. In Connecticut and Maryland, the limits for clapper and king rails are 10 daily and 10 in possession.

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- (5) In Massachusetts, the sora rail limits are 5 daily and 5 in possession; the Virginia rail limits are 10 daily and 10 in possession.

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- (18) In Arizona, Ashurst Lake in Unit 5B is closed to common snipe hunting.

3. In §20.105, paragraphs (a), (b), and (f) are amended by adding the entries for the following States in alphabetical order and paragraph (e) is revised to read as follows:

**§20.105 Seasons, limits, and shooting hours for waterfowl, coots, and gallinules.**

Subject to the applicable provisions of the preceding sections of this part, areas open to hunting, respective open seasons (dates inclusive), shooting and hawking hours, and daily bag and possession limits for the species designated in this section are prescribed as follows:

Shooting and hawking hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset, except as otherwise restricted by State regulations. Area descriptions were published in the August 13, 2009 (74 FR 41008) and August 25, 2009 (74 FR 43008), Federal Registers.

- (a) Common Moorhens and Purple Gallinules  
(Atlantic, Mississippi, and Central Flyways)

**NOTE:** The following seasons are in addition to the seasons published previously in the August 31, 2009 Federal Register (74 FR 45032). The zones named in this paragraph are the same as those used for setting duck seasons.

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<b><u>ATLANTIC FLYWAY</u></b>			
	* * * * *		
<u>Georgia</u>	Nov. 21-Nov. 29 & Dec. 12-Jan. 31	15	30
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<u>Virginia</u>	Oct. 8-Oct. 12 & Nov. 21-Dec. 5 & Dec. 12-Jan. 30	15 15 15	30 30 30
<u>West Virginia</u>			
Zone 1	Oct. 1-Oct. 14 & Dec. 16-Jan. 30	15 15	30 30

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>West Virginia (cont.)</u>			
Zone 2	Oct. 1-Oct. 14 & Dec. 9-Jan. 23	15 15	30 30
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<u>MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY</u>			
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<u>Louisiana</u>			
	Sept. 12-Sept. 27 & Nov. 14-Jan. 6	15 15	30 30
<u>Michigan</u>			
North Zone	Sept. 26-Nov. 20 & Nov. 26-Nov. 29	1 1	2 2
Middle Zone	Oct. 3-Nov. 29 & Dec. 5-Dec. 6	1 1	2 2
South Zone	Oct. 10-Dec. 6 & Jan. 2-Jan. 3	1 1	2 2
<u>Minnesota (3)</u>			
	Oct. 3-Dec. 1	15	30
	* * * * *		
<u>Tennessee</u>			
Reelfoot Zone	Nov. 14-Nov. 15 & Dec. 5-Jan. 31	15 15	30 30
State Zone	Nov. 28-Nov. 29 & Dec. 5-Jan. 31	15 15	30 30
<u>Wisconsin</u>			
North Zone	Sept. 26-Nov. 24	15	30
South Zone	Oct. 3-Oct. 11 & Oct. 17-Dec. 6	15	30
<u>CENTRAL FLYWAY</u>			
	* * * * *		
<u>Wyoming</u>			
	Closed		
	* * * * *		
<u>PACIFIC FLYWAY</u>			
All States	Seasons are in aggregate with coots and listed in paragraph (e).		
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(3) In Minnesota, the daily bag limit is 15 and the possession limit is 30 coots and moorhens in the aggregate.

(b) Sea Ducks (scoter, eider, and long-tailed ducks in Atlantic Flyway)

**NOTE:** The following seasons are in addition to the seasons published previously in the August 31, 2009 Federal Register (74 FR 45032).

Within the special sea duck areas, the daily bag limit is 7 scoter, eider, and long-tailed ducks of which no more than 4 may be scoters. Possession limits are twice the daily bag limit. These limits may be in addition to regular duck bag limits only during the regular duck season in the special sea duck hunting areas.

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Georgia</u>	Nov. 21-Nov. 29 &	7	14
	Dec. 12-Jan. 31	7	14
	* * * * *		
<u>Maryland</u>	Oct. 3-Jan. 30	5	10
<u>Massachusetts</u> (4)	Oct. 10-Jan. 30	7	14
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<u>North Carolina</u>	Oct. 1-Jan. 30	7	14
	* * * * *		
<u>South Carolina</u>	Oct. 17-Jan. 31	7	14
<u>Virginia</u>	Oct. 8-Jan. 30	7	14

**Note:** Notwithstanding the provisions of this part 20, the shooting of crippled waterfowl from a motorboat under power will be permitted in Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Delaware, Virginia, and Maryland in those areas described, delineated, and designated in their respective hunting regulations as special sea duck hunting areas.

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(4) In Massachusetts, the daily bag limit may include no more than 4 eiders (only 1 of which may be a hen) and 4 long-tailed ducks.

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(e) Waterfowl, Coots, and Pacific-Flyway Seasons for Common Moorhens and Purple Gallinules

#### **Definitions**

**The Atlantic Flyway:** Includes Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Vermont, Virginia, and West Virginia.

**The Mississippi Flyway:** Includes Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio, Tennessee, and Wisconsin.

**The Central Flyway:** Includes Colorado (east of the Continental Divide), Kansas, Montana (Blaine, Carbon, Fergus, Judith Basin, Stillwater, Sweetgrass, Wheatland, and all counties east thereof), Nebraska, New Mexico (east of the Continental Divide except that the Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation is in the Pacific Flyway), North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, and Wyoming (east of the Continental Divide).

**The Pacific Flyway:** Includes the States of Arizona, California, Colorado (west of the Continental Divide), Idaho, Montana (including and to the west of Hill, Chouteau, Cascade, Meagher, and Park Counties), Nevada, New Mexico (the Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation and west of the Continental Divide), Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming (west of the Continental Divide including the Great Divide Basin).

**Light Geese:** Includes lesser snow (including blue) geese, greater snow geese, and Ross' geese.

**Dark Geese:** Includes Canada geese, white-fronted geese, emperor geese, brant (except in California, Oregon, Washington, and the Atlantic Flyway), and all other geese except light geese.

**ATLANTIC FLYWAY**

**Flyway-wide Restrictions**

**Duck Limits:** The daily bag limit of 6 ducks may include no more than 4 mallards (2 hen mallards), 2 scaup, 1 black duck, 1 pintail, 1 canvasback, 1 mottled duck, 3 wood ducks, 2 redheads, and 1 fulvous tree duck. The possession limit is twice the daily bag limit.

**Harlequin Ducks:** All areas of the Flyway are closed to harlequin duck hunting.

**Merganser Limits:** The daily bag limit is 5 mergansers with 10 in possession and may include no more than 2 hooded mergansers daily and 4 in possession. In States that include mergansers in the duck bag limit, the daily limit is the same as the duck bag limit, of which only 2 daily and 4 in possession may be hooded mergansers.

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Connecticut</u>			
Ducks and Mergansers:		6	12
North Zone	Oct. 14-Oct. 24 & Nov. 13-Jan. 9		
South Zone	Oct. 14-Oct. 19 & Nov. 21-Jan. 23		
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
AFRP Unit	Oct. 1-Oct. 27 & Nov. 13-Dec. 3 & Jan. 1-Feb. 15	5 5 5	10 10 10
NAP H-Unit	Oct. 1-Oct. 17 & Nov. 24-Jan. 14	2 2	4 4
AP Unit	Nov. 2-Nov. 7 & Nov. 26-Jan. 9	3 3	6 6
South Zone (special season)	Jan. 15-Feb. 10	5	10
Light Geese:			
North Zone	Oct. 1-Jan. 14 & Feb. 20-Mar. 10	15 15	-- --

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Connecticut (cont.)</u>			
South Zone	Oct. 1-Nov. 30 & Jan. 6-Mar. 10	15 15	-- --
Brant:			
North Zone	Nov. 13-Jan. 9	2	4
South Zone	Nov. 27-Jan. 23	2	4
<u>Delaware</u>			
Ducks	Oct. 30-Nov. 11 & Nov. 23-Dec. 5 & Dec. 19-Jan. 30	6	12
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Canada Geese	Nov. 23-Dec. 5 & Dec. 19-Jan. 26	2 2	4 4
Light Geese (1)	Oct. 1-Jan. 30	15	--
Brant	Dec. 4-Jan. 30	2	4
<u>Florida</u>			
Ducks	Nov. 21-Nov. 29 & Dec. 12-Jan. 31	6	12
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Canada Geese	Nov. 21-Nov. 29 & Dec. 1-Jan. 30	5 5	10 10
Light Geese	Same as for Ducks	15	--
<u>Georgia</u>			
Ducks	Nov. 21-Nov. 29 & Dec. 12-Jan. 31	6	12
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Canada Geese (special season)	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Light Geese	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Brant	Closed	--	--
<u>Maine</u>			
Ducks (2):		6	12
North Zone	Sept. 28-Dec. 5		
South Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 24 & Nov. 9-Dec. 23		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Canada Geese:			
North Zone	Oct. 1-Dec. 9	2	4
South Zone	Same as for Ducks	2	4
Light Geese	Oct. 1-Jan. 31	15	--
Brant:			
North Zone	Oct. 13-Dec. 9	2	4
South Zone	Oct. 13-Oct. 24 & Nov. 9-Dec. 23	2 2	4 4

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Maryland</u>			
Ducks and Mergansers (3)	Oct. 17-Oct. 24 & Nov. 14-Nov. 27 & Dec. 15-Jan. 30	6	12
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
RP Zone	Nov. 16-Nov. 27 & Dec. 17-Mar. 6	5 5	10 10
AP Zone	Nov. 21-Nov. 27 & Dec. 17-Jan. 30	2 2	4 4
Light Geese	Oct. 10-Nov. 27 & Dec. 8-Jan. 30	15 15	-- --
Brant	Nov. 21-Nov. 27 & Dec. 11-Jan. 30	2 2	4 4
<u>Massachusetts</u>			
Ducks (4):		6	12
Western Zone	Oct. 14-Nov. 28 & Dec. 11-Jan. 2		
Central Zone	Oct. 15-Nov. 28 & Dec. 17-Jan. 9		
Coastal Zone	Oct. 16-Oct. 24 & Nov. 18-Jan. 16		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
NAP Zone			
Central Zone:	Oct. 15-Nov. 28 & Dec. 17-Jan. 9	2 2	4 4
(special season)	Jan. 15-Feb. 15	5	10
Coastal Zone:	Oct. 16-Oct. 24 & Nov. 18-Jan. 16	2 2	4 4
(special season) (5)	Jan. 18-Feb. 15	5	10
AP Zone	Oct. 20-Nov. 28 & Dec. 11-Dec. 22	3 3	6 6
Light Geese:			
Western Zone	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Central Zone	Same as for Ducks & Jan. 15-Feb. 15	15 15	30 30
Coastal Zone	Same as for Ducks & Jan. 18-Feb. 15	15 15	30 30
Brant:			
Western & Central Zone	Closed	--	--
Coastal Zone	Nov. 18-Nov. 28 & Dec. 16-Jan. 30	2 2	4 4
<u>New Hampshire</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
Inland Zone	Oct. 6-Nov. 8 & Nov. 25-Dec. 20		
Coastal Zone	Oct. 7-Oct. 18 & Nov. 25-Jan. 11		

		Season Dates	Bag	Limits Possession
<u>New Hampshire (cont.)</u>				
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10	
Coots		Same as for Ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:				
	Inland Zone	Same as for Ducks	2	4
	Coastal Zone	Same as for Ducks	2	4
Light Geese:				
	Inland Zone	Oct. 6-Dec. 20	15	--
	Coastal Zone	Oct. 7-Jan. 11	15	-
Brant:				
	Inland Zone	Oct. 6-Nov. 24	2	4
	Coastal Zone	Oct. 7-Nov. 25	2	4
<u>New Jersey</u>				
Ducks:				
	North Zone	Oct. 10-Oct. 31 & Nov. 17-Jan. 2	6	12
	South Zone	Oct. 17-Oct. 31 & Nov. 14-Jan. 7		
	Coastal Zone	Nov. 7-Nov. 14 & Nov. 26-Jan. 26		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10	
Coots		Same as for Ducks	15	15
Canada and White-fronted Geese:				
	North Zone	Nov. 14-Nov. 28 & Dec. 12-Jan. 18	3	6
	South Zone	Same as North Zone	3	6
	Coastal Zone	Nov. 26-Dec. 5 & Dec. 8-Jan. 18	3	6
season)	Jan. 19-Feb. 15	5	10	6 (special
Light Geese:				
	North Zone	Oct. 15-Feb. 15	15	--
	South Zone	Oct. 15-Feb. 15	15	--
	Coastal Zone	Oct. 15-Feb. 15	15	--
Brant:				
	North Zone	Oct. 10-Oct. 29 & Nov. 26-Jan. 2	2	4
	South Zone	Oct. 17-Oct. 31 & Nov. 26-Jan. 7	2	4
	Coastal Zone	Nov. 7-Nov. 14 & Nov. 26-Jan. 14	2	4
<u>New York</u>				
Ducks and Mergansers:			6	12
	Long Island Zone	Nov. 25-Nov. 29 & Dec. 8-Jan. 31		
	Lake Champlain Zone	Oct. 10-Oct. 13 & Oct. 24-Dec. 18		
	Northeastern Zone	Oct. 3-Oct. 11 & Oct. 23-Dec. 12		
	Southeastern Zone	Oct. 10-Oct. 18 & Nov. 7-Dec. 27		

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>New York (cont.)</u>			
Western Zone	Oct. 24-Dec. 6 & Dec. 26-Jan. 10		
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
Western Long Island (AFRP)	Nov. 25-Nov. 29 & Dec. 2-Feb. 14	5	10
Central Long Island (NAP-L)	Nov. 25-Nov. 29 & Dec. 7-Feb. 9	3	6
(Special season)	Feb. 10-Feb. 15	5	10
Eastern Long Island (NAP-H)	Nov. 25-Nov. 29 & Dec. 8-Jan. 31	2	4
Lake Champlain (AP) Zone	Oct. 20-Dec. 3	3	6
Northeast (AP) Zone	Oct. 24-Dec. 7	3	6
East Central (AP) Zone	Oct. 24-Nov. 20 & Nov. 28-Dec. 14	3	6
Hudson Valley (AP) Zone	Oct. 24-Nov. 20 & Dec. 18-Jan. 3	3	6
West Central (AP) Zone	Oct. 24-Nov. 21 & Dec. 26-Jan. 10	3	6
South (RP)	Oct. 24-Dec. 16 & Dec. 26-Jan. 10 & Mar. 1-Mar. 10	5 5 5	10 10 10
Light Geese (6):			
Long Island Zone	Nov. 24-Mar. 10	15	--
Lake Champlain Zone	Oct. 1-Dec. 29	15	--
Northeastern Zone	Oct. 1-Dec. 31 & Feb. 24-Mar. 10	15	--
Southeastern Zone	Oct. 10-Jan. 14 & Mar. 1-Mar. 10	15	--
Western Zone	Oct. 24-Dec. 16 & Dec. 26-Jan. 10 & Feb. 2-Mar. 10	15 15 15	-- -- --
Brant:			
Long Island Zone	Nov. 25-Nov. 29 & Dec. 18-Jan. 31	2	4
Lake Champlain Zone	Oct. 10-Nov. 28	2	4
Northeastern Zone	Oct. 3-Nov. 21	2	4
Southeastern Zone	Oct. 10-Nov. 28	2	4
Western Zone	Oct. 3-Nov. 21	2	4
<u>North Carolina</u>			
Ducks (7)	Oct. 7-Oct. 10 & Nov. 14-Dec. 5 & Dec. 19-Jan. 30	6	12
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
Resident Population Hunt Zone	Oct. 7-Oct. 17 & Nov. 14-Dec. 5 & Dec. 19-Feb. 6	5 5 5	10 10 10

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>North Carolina (cont.)</u>			
Southern James Bay Hunt Zone	Oct. 7-Nov. 7 & Nov. 14-Dec. 31	5 5	10 10
Northeast Hunt Zone (8)	Jan. 23-Jan. 30	1	2
Light Geese (9)	Oct. 17-Oct. 24 & Nov. 14-Mar. 10	15 15	-- --
Brant	Nov. 21-Dec. 5 & Dec. 19-Jan. 30	2 2	4 4
<u>Pennsylvania</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
North Zone	Oct. 10-Oct. 24 & Nov. 17-Jan. 9		
South Zone	Oct. 10-Oct. 17 & Nov. 16-Jan. 15		
Northwest Zone	Oct. 10-Nov. 28 & Dec. 14-Jan. 1		
Lake Erie Zone	Oct. 26-Jan. 2		
Mergansers Same as for Ducks	5	10	
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
AP Zone	Nov. 16-Nov. 28 & Dec. 19-Jan. 26	3 3	6 6
SJBP Zone	Oct. 26-Nov. 28 & Dec. 14-Jan. 28	3 3	6 6
Resident (RP) Zone	Oct. 24-Oct. 31 & Nov. 16-Nov. 28 & Dec. 11-Feb. 19	5 5 5	10 10 10
Light Geese	Nov. 6-Feb. 19	15	--
Brant	Oct. 10-Nov. 14 & Dec. 10-Dec. 31	2 2	4 4
<u>Rhode Island</u>			
Ducks	Oct. 9-Oct. 12 & Nov. 25-Nov. 29 & Dec. 5-Jan. 24	6	12
Mergansers Same as for Ducks	5	10	
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Canada Geese Nov. 21-Nov. 29 & (special season)	Dec. 5-Jan. 24 Jan. 29-Feb. 14	2 2	4 4
Light Geese	Oct. 10-Jan. 24	15	--
Brant	Dec. 6-Jan. 24	2	4
<u>South Carolina</u>			
Ducks (10)(11)	Nov. 25-Nov. 29 & Dec. 5 only & Dec. 12-Jan. 31	6	12
Mergansers (12)	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>South Carolina (cont.)</u>			
Canada and White-fronted Geese (13)	Nov. 25-Nov. 29 & Dec. 5-Feb. 5 & Feb. 8-Feb. 15	5 5 5	10 10 10
Light Geese	Same as for Ducks	15	--
Brant	Dec. 13-Jan. 31	2	4
<u>Vermont</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
Lake Champlain Zone	Oct. 10-Oct 13 & Oct. 24-Dec. 18		
Interior Zone	Oct. 10-Dec. 8		
Connecticut River Zone	Oct. 6-Nov. 8 & Nov. 25-Dec. 20		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Canada Geese			
Lake Champlain Zone:	Oct. 20-Dec. 3	3	6
Interior Zone:	Oct. 20-Dec. 3	3	6
Connecticut River Zone	Oct. 6-Nov. 8 & Nov. 25-Dec. 20	2 2	4 4
Light Geese			
Lake Champlain Zone	Oct. 1-Dec. 29	15	-
Interior Zone	Oct. 1-Dec. 29	15	-
Connecticut River Zone	Oct. 6-Dec. 20	15	-
Brant			
Lake Champlain Zone	Oct. 10-Nov. 28	2	4
Interior Zone	Oct. 10-Nov. 28	2	4
Connecticut River Zone	Oct. 6-Nov. 24	2	4
<u>Virginia</u>			
Ducks (14):	Oct. 8-Oct. 12 & Nov. 21-Dec. 5 & Dec. 12-Jan. 30	5	10
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
Eastern (AP) Zone	Nov. 21-Dec. 5 & Dec. 25-Jan. 30	2 2	4 4
Western (SJBP) Zone	Nov. 21-Dec. 5 & Dec. 15-Jan. 14 & Jan. 15-Feb. 13	3 3 5	6 6 10
Western (RP) Zone	Nov. 21-Dec. 5 & Dec. 12-Feb. 27	5 5	10 10
Light Geese	Oct. 8-Jan. 30	15	--
Brant	Nov. 21-Nov. 28 & Dec. 12-Jan. 30	2 2	4 4

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>West Virginia</u>			
Ducks (15):		6	12
Zone 1	Oct. 1-Oct. 14 & Dec. 16-Jan. 30		
Zone 2	Oct. 1-Oct. 14 & Dec. 9-Jan. 23		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
Zone 1	Oct. 1-Oct. 31 & Dec. 14-Jan. 31	5	10
Zone 2	Oct. 1-Oct. 31 & Dec. 14-Jan. 31	5	10
Light Geese:			
Zone 1	Same as for Canada geese	5	10
Zone 2	Same as for Canada geese	5	10
Brant			
Zone 1	Dec. 14-Jan. 31	2	4
Zone 2	Dec. 14-Jan. 31	2	4

- (1) In Delaware, the Bombay Hook NWR snow goose season is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays only.
- (2) In Maine, the daily bag limit may include no more than 4 of any species, with no more than 8 of any one species in possession. The season for Barrow's goldeneye is closed.
- (3) In Maryland, the black duck season is closed October 17 through October 24.
- (4) In Massachusetts, the daily bag limit may include no more than 4 of any single species in addition to the flyway-wide bag restrictions.
- (5) In Massachusetts, the special season in the Coastal Zone is restricted to that portion of the Coastal Zone north of the Cape Cod Canal.
- (6) In New York, light geese may be taken with the aid of recorded or electrically amplified calls in any area or zone when all other waterfowl seasons are closed.
- (7) In North Carolina, the season is closed for black ducks October 7 through October 10 and November 14 through November 30. The daily bag limit for Black and Mottled ducks are combined with no more than 1 allowed in the daily bag.
- (8) In North Carolina, a permit is required to hunt Canada geese in the Northeast Hunt Zone.
- (9) In North Carolina, electronic calls and unplugged shotguns are allowed for light geese from February 8 through March 10.
- (10) In South Carolina, the daily bag limit of 6 may not exceed 1 black-bellied whistling duck, 1 female mallard and 1 black duck or 1 mottled duck in the aggregate.
- (11) In South Carolina, on December 5, 2009, only youth less than 18 years of age may hunt, but they must be accompanied by an adult of at least 21 years of age who is fully licensed. Youth who are 16 and 17 years of age, who hunt, must possess a Federal Waterfowl Stamp and HIP permit.
- (12) In South Carolina, the daily bag limit for mergansers may include no more than 1 hooded merganser.
- (13) In South Carolina, the daily bag limit may include no more than 2 white-fronted geese.
- (14) In Virginia, the season is closed for black ducks October 8 through October 12.
- (15) In West Virginia, the daily bag limit may include no more than 4 long-tailed ducks and the season is closed for eiders, whistling ducks, and mottled ducks.

**MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY**

**Flyway-wide Restrictions**

**Duck Limits:** The daily bag limit of 6 ducks may include no more than 4 mallards (no more than 2 of which may be females), 1 mottled duck, 1 black duck, 1 pintail, 1 canvasback, 2 redheads, 2 scaup, and 3 wood ducks. The possession limit is twice the daily bag limit.

**Merganser Limits:** The merganser limits include no more than 2 hooded mergansers daily and 4 in possession. In states that include mergansers in the duck bag limit, the daily limit is the same as the duck bag limit, of which only 2 daily and 4 in possession may be hooded mergansers.

		Season Dates	Bag	Limits Possession
<u>Alabama</u>				
Ducks:			6	12
North Zone		Nov. 27-Nov. 28 & Dec. 5-Jan. 31		
South Zone		Same as North Zone		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10	
Coots		Same as for Ducks	15	30
Geese:				
Dark Geese:				
North Zone:				
SJBP Zone		Sept. 26-Oct. 7 & Dec. 5-Jan. 31	2	4
Rest of North Zone		Same as SJBP Zone	2	4
South Zone		Same as Rest of North Zone	2	4
Light Geese:				
North Zone:				
SJBP Zone		Same as Rest of North Zone	5	5
Monroe and Escambia Counties		Sept. 26-Oct. 7 & Oct. 31-Nov. 15 & Dec. 5-Jan. 31	5 5 5	5 10 5
Rest of North Zone		Same as for Dark Geese	5	5
South Zone		Same as for Dark Geese	5	5
<u>Arkansas</u>				
Ducks		Nov. 21-Nov. 29 & Dec. 10-Dec. 23 & Dec. 26-Jan. 31	6	12
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10	
Coots		Same as for Ducks	15	30
Geese:				
Canada:				
Northwest Zone				
		Sept. 26-Oct. 5 & Dec. 26-Jan. 31	2 2	4 4
Remainder of State				
White-fronted		Dec. 26-Jan. 31 Nov. 14-Dec. 5 & Dec. 12-Dec. 24 & Dec. 26-Jan. 31	2 2 2 2	4 4 4 4
Brant		Closed	--	--
Nov. 7-Dec. 24 &		20 Dec. 26-Jan. 31	-- 20	-- -

Light Geese

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Illinois</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
North Zone	Oct. 17-Dec. 15		
Central Zone	Oct. 31-Dec. 29		
South Zone	Nov. 14-Jan. 12		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
North Zone	Oct. 17-Jan. 9	2	4
Central Zone	Oct. 31-Nov. 15 & Nov. 24-Jan. 31	2	4
South Zone	Nov. 14-Nov. 15 & Nov. 29-Jan. 31	2	4
White-fronted:			
North Zone	Oct. 30-Jan. 9	2	4
Central Zone	Nov. 21-Jan. 31	2	4
South Zone	Nov. 14-Nov. 15 & Nov. 29-Jan. 31	2	4
Brant	Same as for Light Geese	1	2
Light Geese			
North Zone	Oct. 17-Jan. 9	20	--
Central Zone	Oct. 31-Jan. 31	20	-
South Zone	Nov. 14-Jan. 31	20	-
<u>Indiana</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
North Zone	Oct. 17-Dec. 15		
South Zone	Oct. 24-Nov. 1 & Nov. 25-Jan. 14		
Ohio River Zone	Oct. 31-Nov. 1 & Nov. 28-Jan. 24		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
North Zone	Oct. 17-Oct. 18 & Nov. 7-Jan. 17	2	4
South Zone	Oct. 24-Nov. 1 & Nov. 25-Jan. 28	2	4
Ohio River Zone	Oct. 31-Nov. 1 & Nov. 21-Jan. 31	2	4
Late Season Zone	Feb. 1-Feb. 15	5	10
White-fronted	Nov. 7-Jan. 31	1	2
Brant	Oct. 17-Jan. 29	1	2
Light Geese	Oct. 17-Jan. 29	20	-
<u>Iowa</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
North Duck Zone	Sept. 19-Sept. 23 & Oct. 10-Dec. 3		

		Season Dates	Bag	Limits Possession
<u>Iowa (cont.)</u>				
South Duck Zone		Sept. 19-Sept. 23 & Oct. 17-Dec. 10		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10	
Coots		Same as for Ducks	15	30
Geese:				
Canada:				
North Goose Zone		Sept. 26-Oct. 4 & Oct. 10-Dec. 13 & Dec. 19-Jan. 3	2 2 2	4 4 4
South Goose Zone		Sept. 26-Oct. 4 & Oct. 17-Dec. 13 & Dec. 19-Jan. 10	2 2 2	4 4 4
White-fronted:				
North Goose Zone		Sept. 26-Dec. 6	2	4
South Goose Zone		Sept. 26-Dec. 6	2	4
Brant:				
North Goose Zone		Same as for Canada geese	1	2
South Goose Zone		Same as for Canada geese	1	2
Light Geese		Sept. 26-Jan. 10	20	--
<u>Kentucky</u>				
Ducks:			6	12
West Zone		Nov. 26-Nov. 29 & Dec. 7-Jan. 31		
East Zone		Same as for West Zone		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10	
Coots		Same as for Ducks	15	30
Canada:				
Western Goose Zone:				
Fulton County		Nov. 23-Jan. 31	2	4
Rest of Zone		Nov. 23-Jan. 31	2	4
Pennyroyal/Coalfield Zone		Nov. 23-Jan. 31	2	4
Rest of State		Nov. 23-Jan. 31	2	4
White-fronted		Nov. 23-Jan. 31	2	4
Brant		Nov. 23-Jan. 31	2	4
Light Geese				
Western Goose Zone:				
Fulton County		Nov. 23-Jan. 31	20	-
Rest of Zone:		Nov. 23-Jan. 31	20	-
Rest of State		Nov. 23-Jan. 31	20	-
<u>Louisiana</u>				
Ducks:			6	12
West Zone		Nov. 14-Dec. 6 & Dec. 19-Jan. 24		
East Zone (including Catahoula Lake)		Nov. 21-Dec. 6 & Dec. 19-Jan. 31		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10	
Coots		Same as for Ducks	15	30

	Season Dates	Bag	Limits Possession
<u>Louisiana (cont.)</u>			
Geese:			
Canada (2)	Dec. 19-Jan. 31	1	2
White-fronted (2):			
West Zone	Nov. 14-Dec. 6 & Dec. 19-Feb. 5	2 2	4 4
East Zone	Nov. 9-Dec. 6 & Dec. 19-Jan. 31	2 2	4 4
Brant	Closed	-	--
Light Geese	Same as for White-fronted	20	--
<u>Michigan</u>			
Ducks (1):		6	12
North Zone	Sept. 26-Nov. 20 & Nov. 26-Nov. 29		
Middle Zone	Oct. 3-Nov. 29 & Dec. 5-Dec. 6		
South Zone	Oct. 10-Dec. 6 & Jan. 2-Jan. 3		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada :			
North Zone	Sept. 16-Oct. 30	2	4
Middle Zone	Oct. 3-Nov. 9 & Nov. 26-Dec. 2	2 2	4 4
South Zone:			
Muskegon Wastewater GMU	Oct. 13-Nov. 14 & Dec. 1-Dec. 12	2 2	4 4
Allegan County GMU	Nov. 28-Dec. 21 & Dec. 28-Jan. 17	2 2	4 4
Saginaw County GMU	Oct. 10-Nov. 12 & Nov. 26-Dec. 6 & Jan. 2-Jan. 31	2 2 2	4 4 4
Tuscola/Huron GMU	Same as Saginaw County GMU	2	4
Remainder of South Zone	Oct. 10-Nov. 12 & Nov. 26-Dec. 6 & Jan. 2-Jan. 31	2 2 5	4 4 10
White-fronted and Brant	Same as for Canada geese	1	2
Light Geese	Same as for Canada geese	10	30
<u>Minnesota</u>			
Ducks (1)(3)	Oct. 3-Dec. 1	6	12
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Coots (4)	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
West Zone:			
West Central Zone	Oct. 15-Oct. 18 & Oct. 24-Nov. 29	2 2	4 4
Rest of West Zone	Oct. 3-Dec. 1	2	4
(Special season)	Dec. 12-Dec. 21	5	10

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Minnesota (cont.)</u>			
Southeast Zone	Oct. 3-Dec. 11	2	4
(Special season)	Dec. 19-Dec. 28	2	4
Rest of State	Oct. 3-Dec. 11	2	4
(Special season)	Dec. 12-Dec. 21	5	10
White-fronted	Oct. 3-Dec. 27	1	2
Brant	Oct. 3-Dec. 28	1	2
Light Geese	Oct. 3-Dec. 28	20	40
<u>Mississippi</u>			
Ducks	Nov. 27-Nov. 29 & Dec. 4-Dec. 6 & Dec. 9-Jan. 31	6	12
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada	Nov. 23-Jan. 31	3	6
White-fronted	Nov. 21-Jan. 31	2	4
Brant	Same as for Canada geese	2	4
Light Geese	Same as for White-fronted	20	-
<u>Missouri</u>			
Ducks and Mergansers:		6	12
North Zone	Oct. 31-Dec. 29		
Middle Zone	Nov. 7-Jan. 5		
South Zone	Nov. 26-Jan. 24		
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada	Sept. 26-Oct. 7 & Nov. 26-Jan. 31	3 2	6 4
White-fronted	Nov. 26-Jan. 31	2	4
Brant	Same as for Canada geese	1	2
Light Geese	Oct. 31-Jan. 31	20	--
<u>Ohio</u>			
Ducks (1):		6	12
North Zone	Oct. 17-Dec. 6 & Dec. 26-Jan. 3		
South Zone	Oct. 17-Nov. 1 & Dec. 12-Jan. 24		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
North Zone:			
Lake Erie SJBZ Zone	Oct. 17-Nov. 29 & Dec. 7-Jan. 3	2 2	4 4
Rest of North Zone	Oct. 17-Nov. 29 & Dec. 19-Jan. 17	2 2	4 4
South Zone	Oct. 17-Nov. 8 & Dec. 12-Jan. 31	2 2	4 4

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Ohio (cont.)</u>			
White-fronted and Brant	Same as for Canada geese	2	4
Light Geese	Same as for Canada geese	10	30
<u>Tennessee</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
Reelfoot Zone	Nov. 14-Nov. 15 & Dec. 5-Jan. 31		
State Zone	Nov. 28-Nov. 29 & Dec. 5-Jan. 31		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
Northwest Zone	Dec. 5-Feb. 14	2	4
Southwest Zone	Oct. 3-Oct. 9 & Nov. 28-Jan. 31	2	4
Kentucky/Barkley Lakes Zone	Same as Southwest Zone	2	4
Rest of State	Same as Southwest Zone	2	4
fronted	Dec. 5-Feb. 14	2	4
Brant	Nov. 23-Jan. 31	2	4
Light Geese	Nov. 25-Mar. 10	20	--
<u>Wisconsin</u>			
Ducks (1):		6	12
North Zone	Sept. 26-Nov. 24		
South Zone	Oct. 3-Oct. 11 & Oct. 17-Dec. 6		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
Horicon Zone	Sept. 16-Dec. 16		Tag System--See State Regulations
Collins Zone	Sept. 16-Nov. 20		Tag System--See State Regulations
Exterior Zone:			
North Portion:			
Brown Co. Subzone - North	Sept. 19-Dec. 12	2	4
Remainder of North Portion	Sept. 19-Dec. 12	2	4
South Portion:			
Rock Prairie Subzone	Sept. 19-Oct. 11 & Oct. 17-Dec. 17	2	4
Brown Co. Subzone - South	Same as Rock Prairie Subzone	2	4
Mississippi River Subzone	Oct. 3-Oct. 11 & Oct. 17-Dec. 31	2	4
Remainder of South Portion	Same as Rock Prairie Subzone	2	4
White-fronted:			
Horicon Zone	Sept. 22-Dec. 16	1	2
Collins and Exterior Zones	Same as for Canada geese	1	2
Brant	Same as for Canada geese	1	2
Light Geese	Same as for Canada geese	10	20

- (1) In Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, and Wisconsin, the daily bag limit may include no more than one hen mallard.
- (2) In Louisiana, during the Canada goose season, the daily bag limit is 2 dark geese (whitefronts and Canada geese) with no more than 1 Canada goose. Possession limits are twice the daily bag limits.
- (3) In Minnesota, the daily bag limit for wood ducks is 2. Possession limits are twice the daily bag limit.
- (4) In Minnesota, the daily bag limit is 15 and the possession limit is 30 coots and moorhens in the aggregate.

**CENTRAL FLYWAY**

**Flyway-wide Restrictions**

**Duck Limits:** The daily bag limit is 6 ducks, which may include no more than 5 mallards (2 female mallards), 1 mottled duck, 1 pintail, 1 canvasback, 2 redheads, 2 scaup, and 3 wood ducks. The possession limit is twice the daily bag limit.

**Merganser Limits:** The daily bag limit is 5 mergansers with 10 in possession and may include no more than 2 hooded mergansers daily and 4 in possession. In states that include mergansers in the duck bag limit, the daily limit is the same as the duck bag limit, of which only 2 daily and 4 in possession may be hooded mergansers.

		Season Dates	Limits	
			Bag	Possession
<u>Colorado</u>				
Ducks (1):			6	12
Eastern Plains Zone:		Oct. 3-Oct. 19 & Nov. 7-Jan. 24		
Mountain/Foothills Zone:		Oct. 3-Nov. 30 & Dec. 19-Jan. 24		
Coots		Same as for Ducks	15	30
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10	
Dark Geese:				
Northern Front Range Unit		Oct. 3-Oct. 12 & Nov. 21-Feb. 14	4	8
South Park/San Luis Valley Unit		Same as N. Front Range Unit	4	8
North Park Unit		Same as N. Front Range Unit	4	8
Rest of State in Central Flyway		Nov. 21-Feb. 14	4	8
Light Geese:				
Northern Front Range Unit		Oct. 31-Feb. 14	20	--
South Park/San Luis Valley Unit		Same as N. Front Range Unit	20	--
North Park Unit		Same as N. Front Range Unit	20	--
Rest of State in Central Flyway		Same as N. Front Range Unit	20	--
<u>Kansas</u>				
Ducks (2):			5	10
High Plains		Oct. 10-Jan. 5 & Jan. 23-Jan. 31		
Low Plains:				
Early Zone		Oct. 10-Dec. 6 & Dec. 19-Jan. 3		
Late Zone		Oct. 31-Jan. 3 & Jan. 23-Jan. 31		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10	
Coots		Same as for Ducks	15	30

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Kansas (cont.)</u>			
Dark Geese (3):			
Canada	Oct. 31-Nov. 8 & Nov. 11-Feb. 14	3 3	6 6
White-fronted	Oct. 31-Nov. 8 & Nov. 5-Jan. 3 & Feb. 6-Feb. 14	2 2 2	4 4 4
Light Geese	Oct. 31-Nov. 8 & Nov. 11-Feb. 14	20 20	-- --
<u>Montana</u>			
Ducks and Mergansers (4):		6	12
Zone 1:	Oct. 3-Jan. 7		
Zone 2	Same as for Zone 1		
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Dark Geese	Oct. 3-Jan. 15	4	8
Light Geese	Oct. 3-Jan. 15	6	12
<u>Nebraska</u>			
Ducks (4):		6	12
High Plains:	Oct. 10-Jan. 13		
Low Plains:			
Zones 1 and 2:	Oct. 17-Oct. 18 & Oct. 24-Jan. 3		
Zones 3 and 4:	Oct. 10-Dec. 20 & Dec. 26-Dec. 27		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
Niobrara Unit	Oct. 24-Feb. 5	3	6
East Unit	Oct. 24-Jan. 27	3	6
North Central Unit	Oct. 10-Jan. 22	3	6
Platte River Unit	Same as for Niobrara Unit	3	6
White-fronted	Oct. 10-Dec. 20	2	4
Light Geese	Oct. 10-Jan. 8 & Jan. 23-Feb. 5	20 20	-- --
<u>New Mexico</u>			
Ducks and Mergansers (4)(5):		6	12
North Zone:	Oct. 10-Jan. 13		
South Zone:	Oct. 28-Jan. 31		
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Dark Geese (6):			
Middle Rio Grande Valley Unit (6)	Jan. 2-Jan. 24	2	2
Rest of State	Oct. 17-Jan. 31	4	8
Light Geese	Oct. 17-Jan. 31	20	80

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>North Dakota</u>			
Ducks (1):		6	12
High Plains	Sept. 26-Dec. 6 & Dec. 12-Jan. 3		
Remainder of State	Sept. 26-Dec. 6		
Mergansers Same as for Ducks	5	10	
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Geese (7):			
Canada Geese:			
Missouri River Zone	Sept. 26-Jan. 1	3	6
Rest of State	Sept. 26-Dec. 24	3	6
White-fronted	Sept. 26-Dec. 6	2	4
Light Geese	Sept. 26-Jan. 1	20	--
<u>Oklahoma</u>			
Ducks (1):		6	12
High Plains:	Oct. 10-Jan. 6		
Low Plains:			
Zone 1:	Oct. 24-Nov. 29 & Dec. 12-Jan. 17		
Zone 2:	Nov. 7-Nov. 29 & Dec. 12-Jan. 31		
Mergansers Same as for Ducks	5	10	
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada	Oct. 31-Nov. 29 & Dec. 12-Feb. 14	3	6
White-fronted	Oct. 31-Nov. 29 & Dec. 12-Feb. 5	2	4
Light Geese	Same as for Canada geese	20	-
<u>South Dakota</u>			
Ducks (4):		6	12
High Plains	Oct. 10-Dec. 22 & Dec. 23-Jan. 14		
Low Plains::			
North Zone	Sept. 26-Dec. 8		
Middle Zone	Same as for North Zone		
South Zone	Oct. 10-Dec. 22		
Mergansers Same as for Ducks	5	10	
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Geese:			
White-fronted	Sept. 26-Dec. 20	1	2
Canada:			
Unit 1	Oct. 1-Dec. 20	3	6
Unit 2	Oct. 31-Feb. 12	3	6
Unit 3	Oct. 17-Dec. 20 & Jan. 9-Jan. 17	3	6
Light Geese	Sept. 26-Dec. 20	20	-

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Texas</u>			
Ducks (8):		6	12
High Plains	Oct. 24-Oct. 25 & Oct. 30-Jan. 24		
Low Plains:			
North Zone	Oct. 31-Nov. 29 & Dec. 12-Jan. 24		
South Zone	Same as North Zone		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Geese:			
East Tier:			
South Zone:			
Canada geese and Brant	Oct. 31-Jan. 24	3	6
White-fronted	Oct. 31-Jan. 10	2	4
Light Geese	Oct. 31-Jan. 24	20	--
North Zone	Same as for South Zone		
West Tier:			
Dark Geese:			
Canada geese and Brant	Nov. 7-Feb. 7	4	8
White-fronted	Same as for Canada geese	1	2
Light Geese	Same as for Canada geese	20	--
<u>Wyoming</u>			
Ducks (1):		6	12
Zone 1	Oct. 3-Oct. 20 & Oct. 31-Jan. 17		
Zone 2	Sept. 26-Oct. 20 & Oct. 31-Jan. 10		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Dark Geese:			
Zone 1	Oct. 3-Oct. 20 & Oct. 31-Dec. 6 & Dec. 12-Jan. 30	5 5 5	10 10 10
Zone 2	Sept. 26-Nov. 29 & Dec. 12-Jan. 20	5 5	10 10
Zone 3 (3)	Oct. 3-Oct. 20 & Nov. 14-Feb. 8	2 4 4	4 8 8
Zone 4	Sept. 26-Oct. 20 & Oct. 31-Dec. 6 & Dec. 12-Jan. 23	5 5 5	10 10 10
Light Geese	Oct. 3-Dec. 27 & Jan. 21-Feb. 8	10 10	40 40

(1) In Colorado, North Dakota, Oklahoma, and Wyoming, the season for mottled ducks is closed the first 5 days of the season in each zone.

(2) In Kansas, the daily bag limit is 5 ducks, which may include no more than 2 redheads, 2 scaup, and 3 wood ducks, and only 1 from the following group - hen mallard, pintail, mottled duck (except for the first 5 days of the season, when mottled ducks are closed), or canvasback. The possession limit is twice the daily bag limit.

- (3) See State regulations for additional restrictions.
- (4) In Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, and South Dakota, the season for mottled ducks is closed.
- (5) In New Mexico, Mexican-like ducks are included in the aggregate with mallards.
- (6) In New Mexico, the season for dark geese is closed in Bernalillo, Sandoval, Sierra, and Valencia Counties. In the Middle Rio Grande Valley Unit, a state permit is required.
- (7) In North Dakota, see State regulations for additional shooting hour restrictions.
- (8) In Texas, the daily bag limit is 6 ducks, which may include no more than 5 mallards (only 2 of which may be hens), 2 redheads, 2 scaup, 3 wood ducks, 1 canvasback, 1 pintail, and 1 dusky duck (mottled duck, black duck and their hybrids, or Mexican-like duck). The season for dusky ducks is closed the first 5 days of the season in all zones. The possession limit is twice the daily bag limit.

**PACIFIC FLYWAY**

**Flyway-wide Restrictions**

**Duck and Merganser Limits:** The daily bag limit of 7 ducks (including mergansers) may include no more than 2 female mallards, 2 pintails, 2 redheads, 3 scaup, and 1 canvasback. The possession limit is twice the daily bag limit.

**Coot and Common Moorhen Limits:** Daily bag and possession limits are in the aggregate for the two species.

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Arizona</u>			
Ducks (1):		7	14
North Zone:			
Scaup Oct. 24-Jan. 17	3	6	
Other Ducks	Oct.9-Jan.17		
South Zone:			
Scaup Nov. 7-Jan. 31	3	6	
Other Ducks	Oct. 23-Jan. 31		
Coots and moorhens	Same as Other Ducks	25	25
Geese:			
North Zone:	Oct. 9-Jan. 17		
Dark Geese		3	6
Light Geese		6	12
South Zone:	Oct. 23-Jan. 31		
Dark Geese		3	6
Light Geese		6	12
<u>California</u>			
Ducks:		7	14
Northeastern Zone:			
Scaup Oct. 10-Jan. 3	3	6	
Other Ducks	Oct. 10-Jan. 22		
Colorado River Zone:			
Scaup Nov. 7-Jan. 31	3	6	
Other Ducks	Oct. 23-Jan. 31		
Southern Zone:			
Scaup Nov. 7-Jan. 31	3	6	
Other Ducks	Oct. 24-Jan. 31		

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>California (cont.)</u>			
Southern San Joaquin Valley Zone:			
Scaup	Nov. 14-Jan. 31	3	6
Other Ducks	Oct. 10-Nov. 1 & Nov. 14-Jan. 31		
Balance-of-State Zone:			
Scaup	Nov. 7-Jan. 31	3	6
Other Ducks	Oct. 24-Jan. 31		
Coots and moorhens	Same as for Other Ducks	25	25
Geese:			
Northeastern Zone:		8	16
Canada Geese:			
Small Canada Geese (2)	Oct. 10-Jan. 17	1	2
Large Canada Geese (3)	Oct. 10-Jan. 17	2	4
White-fronted Geese	Oct. 10-Jan. 17	4	8
Light Geese	Oct. 10-Jan. 17	6	12
Colorado River Zone:		6	12
Dark Geese	Oct. 23-Jan. 31	3	6
Light Geese	Oct. 23-Jan. 31	6	12
Southern Zone:		8	16
Dark Geese	Oct. 24-Jan. 31	3	6
Light Geese:			
Imperial Valley	Nov. 7-Jan. 31 & Feb. 13-Feb. 28	6	12
Rest of Zone	Oct. 24-Jan. 31	6	12
Balance-of-State Zone:		8	16
Canada Geese:			
Small Canada geese (2)	Oct. 24-Jan. 31	6	12
Large Canada geese (3)		6	12
White-fronted Geese:			
Sacramento Valley	Oct. 24-Dec. 14	2	4
Rest of Zone	Oct. 24-Jan. 31	4	8
Light Geese	Oct. 24-Jan. 31	6	12
Del Norte & Humboldt Counties:		6	12
Canada:			
Small Canada geese (2)	Nov. 7-Jan. 31 & Feb. 20-Mar. 10	6	12
Large Canada geese (3)	Nov. 7-Jan. 31	1	2
White-fronted Geese	Oct. 24-Jan. 31	4	8
Light Geese	Oct. 24-Jan. 31	6	12
Brant			
North Zone	Nov. 7-Dec. 6	2	4
South Zone	Nov. 14-Dec. 13	2	4
<u>Colorado</u>			
Ducks:		7	14
Scaup	Sept. 26-Oct. 13 & Nov. 6-Jan. 12	3	6
Other Ducks	Sept. 26-Oct. 13 & Nov. 6-Jan. 31		
Coots	Same as for Other Ducks	25	25

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Colorado (cont.)</u>			
Dark Geese	Sept. 26-Oct. 4 & Nov. 6-Jan. 31	3 3	6 6
Light Geese	Same as for Dark Geese	10	20
<u>Idaho</u>			
Ducks:		7	14
Zone 1:			
Scaup	Oct. 24-Jan. 15	3	6
Other Ducks	Oct. 3-Jan. 15		
Zone 2	Same as Zone 1		
Zone 3:			
Scaup	Oct. 31-Jan. 22	3	6
Other Ducks	Oct. 10-Jan. 22		
Coots	Same as for Other Ducks	25	25
Dark Geese:			
Zone 1	Oct. 3-Jan. 15	4	8
Zone 2	Oct. 10-Jan. 22	4	8
Zone 3	Same as for Zone 2	4	8
Zone 4	Same as for Zone 1	4	8
Zone 5	Same as for Zone 1	4	8
Light Geese:			
Zone 1	Oct. 3-Jan. 15	10	20
Zone 2	Oct. 29-Jan. 22 & Feb. 20-Mar. 10	10 10	20 20
Zone 3	Same as for Zone 2	10	20
Zone 4 (4)	Same as for Zone 1	10	20
Zone 5 (5)	Same as for Zone 1	10	20
<u>Montana</u>			
Ducks		7	14
Scaup	Oct. 3-Dec. 27	3	6
Other Ducks	Oct. 3-Jan. 15		
Coots	Same as for Other Ducks	25	25
Geese (6):			
Dark	Oct. 3-Jan. 15	4	8
Light	Oct. 3-Jan. 15	6	12
<u>Nevada</u>			
Ducks:		7	14
Lincoln & Clark Counties:			
Scaup	Nov. 7-Jan. 29	3	6
Other Ducks	Oct. 17-Jan. 29		
Rest of State:			
Scaup	Nov. 7-Jan. 30	3	6
Other Ducks	Oct. 17-Jan. 30		
Coots and moorhens	Same as for Other Ducks	25	25
Dark Geese:			
Lincoln & Clark Counties	Oct. 17-Jan. 29	3	6
Rest of State	Oct. 17-Jan. 30	3	6

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Nevada (cont.)</u>			
Light Geese:			
Lincoln & Clark Counties	Oct. 17-Jan. 29	10	20
Rest of State (7)	Oct. 17-Jan. 30	10	20
<u>New Mexico</u>			
Ducks (8)			
Scaup Nov. 7-Jan. 31		7	14
Other Ducks	Oct. 19-Jan. 31	4	
Coots	Same as for Other Ducks	12	24
Moorhens and gallinules	Same as for Other Ducks	12	24
Dark Geese:			
North Zone	Sept. 26-Oct. 11 & Nov. 2-Jan. 31	3 3	6 6
South Zone	Oct. 17-Jan. 31	2	4
Light Geese:			
North Zone	Same as Dark Geese	1	2 South
Zone Same as Dark Geese		1	2
<u>Oregon</u>			
Ducks:			
		7	14
Zone 1:			
Columbia Basin Unit:			
Scaup	Nov. 7-Jan. 31	3	6
Other Ducks	Oct. 17-Oct. 25 & Oct. 28-Jan. 31		
Rest of Zone 1	Same as for Columbia Basin Unit		
Zone 2:			
Scaup Oct. 10-Nov. 29 &		3	6
	Dec. 2-Jan. 5	3	6
Other Ducks	Oct. 10-Nov. 29 & Dec. 2-Jan. 24		
Coots	Same as for Other Ducks	25	25
Geese:			
Northwest General Goose Zone:			
Dark Geese	Oct. 17-Oct. 25 & Nov. 5-Jan. 31	4 4	8 8
Small Canada Geese (2)		1	2
Light Geese	Same as for Dark Geese	6	12
Northwest Special Permit Zone (9):			
Dark Geese	Oct. 24-Nov. 8 & Nov. 21-Jan. 17 & Feb. 6-Feb. 28	4 4 4	8 8 8
Dusky Canada geese		1 per season	
Small Canada geese (2)		2	4
Light Geese	Same as for Dark Geese	4	8
Southwest General Zone:			
Dark Geese	Oct. 17-Nov. 29 & Dec. 12-Jan. 31	4 4	8 8
Light Geese	Same as for Dark Geese	6	12

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Oregon (cont.)</u>			
South Coast Zone:			
Dark Geese	Oct. 3-Oct. 20 & Nov. 25-Jan. 31 & Feb. 20-Mar. 10	4 4 4	8 8 8
Light Geese	Oct. 3-Oct. 20 & Nov. 25-Jan. 31	6 6	12 12
Harney, Lake, and Malheur County Zone:			
Dark Geese	Oct. 10-Nov. 29 & Dec. 19-Jan. 31	4 4	8 8
Small Canada geese		1	2
White-fronted geese:			
Lake County		1	2
Rest of Zone		4	8
Light Geese	Same as Dark Geese	6	12
Klamath County Zone:			
Dark Geese	Oct. 10-Nov. 29 & Dec. 19-Jan. 22 &	4 4	8 8
Small Canada geese		1	2
White-fronted geese (special season)	Feb. 20-Mar. 10	2	4
Light Geese	Oct. 10-Nov. 29 & Dec. 19-Jan. 22 & Feb. 20-Mar. 10	4 4 4	8 8 8
Eastern Zone:			
Dark Geese	Oct. 17-Oct. 25 & Nov. 7-Jan. 31	4 4	8 8
Small Canada geese		1	2
Light Geese	Same as Dark Geese	6	12
Tillamook County (9):			
Dark Geese	Nov. 28-Feb. 28	2	4
Light Geese	Nov. 28-Feb. 28	4	8
Brant	Nov. 14-Nov. 29	2	4
<u>Utah (10)</u>			
Ducks:		7	14
Zone 1:			
Scaup	Oct. 3-Dec. 27	3	6
Other Ducks	Oct. 3-Jan. 16		
Zone 2	Same as for Zone 1		
Coots	Same as for Other Ducks	25	25
Geese:			
Light:			
North Goose Zone	Oct. 24-Jan. 16 & Feb. 18-Mar. 10	10 10	20 20
Rest of State	Oct. 31-Jan. 31 & Feb. 27-Mar. 10	10 10	20 20
Dark:			
North Goose Zone	Oct. 3-Jan. 16	3	6
Rest of State	Oct. 3-Oct. 15 & Oct. 31-Jan. 31	3 3	6 6

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Washington</u>			
Ducks:		7	14
East Zone:			
Scaup Nov. 7-Jan. 31	3	6	
Other Ducks	Oct. 17-Oct 21 & Oct. 24-Jan. 31		
West Zone (11)	Same as the East Zone		
Coots	Same as for Other Ducks	25	25
Geese:			
Management Area 1 (12):		4	8
Light Geese	Oct 17-Jan. 31		
Dark Geese	Oct 17-Oct. 29 & Nov. 7-Jan. 31		
Management Area 2A (13)	Nov. 14-Nov. 25 & Nov. 28-Nov. 30 & Dec. 9-Jan. 31	4 4 4	8 8 8
Dusky Canada geese		1 per season	
Late-Season Canada Geese	Feb. 6-Mar. 10	4	8
Dusky Canada geese		1 per season	
Management Area 2B (13)	Oct. 17-Jan. 16	4	8
Dusky Canada geese		1 per season	
Management Areas 3 (12)	Oct. 17-Oct. 29 & Nov. 7-Jan. 31	4 4	8 8
Management Areas 4 & 5 (12)	Oct. 17-Oct. 21 & Oct. 24-Jan. 31	4 4	8 8
Brant (14):			
Skagit County	Jan. 16-Jan. 31	2	4
Pacific County	Jan. 9-Jan. 24	2	4
<u>Wyoming</u>			
Ducks:		7	14
Snake River Zone:			
Scaup Sept. 26-Dec. 20	3	6	
Other Ducks	Sept. 26-Jan. 8		
Balance of State Zone	Same as Snake River Zone		
Coots	Same as for Other Ducks	25	25
Dark Geese:	Sept. 26-Dec. 31	3	6

- (1) In Arizona, the daily limit may include no more than either 2 hen mallards or 2 Mexican-like ducks, or 1 of each; and not more than 4 hen mallards and Mexican-like ducks, in the aggregate, may be in possession.
- (2) In California and Oregon, small Canada geese are Cackling and Aleutian Canada geese.
- (3) In California, large Canada geese are Western and Lesser Canada geese.
- (4) In Idaho, the season on light geese is closed in Fremont and Teton Counties.
- (5) In Idaho, that portion of Zone 5 within Power and Bingham Counties in GMU 68, the light goose season is October 22 to January 15 and February 20 to March 10.
- (6) In Montana, check State regulations for special seasons/exceptions in Freezout Lake WMA; Canyon Ferry; Flathead; Deer Lodge County; and Missoula County.
- (7) In Nevada, there is no open season on light geese in Ruby Valley within Elko and White Pine Counties.
- (8) In New Mexico, the daily bag limit consists of no more than 7 mallards (of which only 2 may be hen mallards), 2 redheads, 2 scaup (when open), and 1 northern pintail.

- (9) In Oregon, the Northwest Special Permit Zone is closed to all goose hunting, except for designated areas. See State regulations for specific boundary descriptions, times, days, and other conditions of the special permit season.
- (10) In Utah, the shooting hours are 8:00 a.m. to sunset on October 6 in Cache, Salt Lake, Davis, Weber, and Box Elder Counties.
- (11) In Washington, the daily bag limit in the West Zone may include no more than 4 scoters and 4 oldsquaws, with the possession limit twice the daily bag limit. The daily bag and possession limit, and the season limit, for harlequins is 1.
- (12) In Washington, in State Goose Area 4, hunting is only on Saturdays, Sundays, Wednesdays, and certain holidays. In State Goose Areas 1, 3, and 5, hunting is everyday. See State regulations for details, including shooting hours.
- (13) In Washington, see State regulations for specific dates and conditions of permit hunts and closures for Canada geese.
- (14) In Washington, brant may be hunted in Skagit and Pacific Counties only; see State regulations for specific dates.

(f) Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days

The following seasons are open only to youth hunters. Youth Hunters must be accompanied into the field by an adult at least 18 years of age. This adult can not duck hunt but may participate in other open seasons.

**Definition**

**Youth Hunters:** Includes youths 15 years of age or younger.

**NOTE:** The following seasons are in addition to the seasons published previously in the August 31, 2009 Federal Register (74 FR 45032). Bag and possession limits will conform to those set for the regular season.

		Season Dates
<u>ATLANTIC FLYWAY</u>		
	* * * * *	
<u>Florida</u>	Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and geese	Feb. 6 & 7
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<u>Maryland</u>	Ducks, coots, snow geese, Canada geese, sea ducks, and brant (10)	Nov. 7
<u>Massachusetts</u>	Ducks, mergansers, coots, and geese	Oct. 10 & 12
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<u>North Carolina</u>	Ducks, mergansers, Canada geese (11), tundra swans (12), and coots	Feb. 6
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<u>South Carolina</u>	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots Feb. 6 & 7	
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	Season Dates
<u>Virginia</u>	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, gallinules, tundra swans (12) and Canada geese (13)	Oct. 24
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<u>MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY</u>	
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<u>Arkansas</u>	
Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Dec. 5 & 6
<u>Illinois</u>	
Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules:	
North Zone	Oct. 10 & 11
Central Zone	Oct. 24 & 25
South Zone	Oct. 31 & Nov. 1
<u>Indiana</u>	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, gallinules, and geese:	
North Zone	Oct. 10 & 11
South Zone	Oct. 17 & 18
Ohio River Zone	Oct. 24 & 25
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<u>Kentucky</u>	
Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules:	
West Zone	Feb. 6 & 7
East Zone	Nov. 7 & 8
<u>Louisiana</u>	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, gallinules, and geese:	
West Zone	Nov. 7 & 8
East Zone	Nov. 14 & 15
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<u>Mississippi</u>	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, gallinules, and geese	Feb. 6 & 7
<u>Missouri</u>	
Ducks, coots, mergansers, moorhens, gallinules, and geese:	
North Zone	Oct. 24 & 25
Middle Zone	Oct. 31 & Nov. 1
South Zone	Nov. 21 & 22
<u>Ohio</u>	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, gallinules, and geese	Oct. 3 & 4

Season Dates

Tennessee

Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, gallinules, and geese:

Reelfoot Zone	Feb. 13 & 14
Remainder of State	Feb. 6 & 7

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CENTRAL FLYWAY

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Kansas (5)

Ducks, dark geese, mergansers and coots:

High Plains	Oct. 3 & 4
Low Plains:	
Early Zone	Oct. 3 & 4
Late Zone	Oct. 24 & 25

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Oklahoma

Ducks, mergansers, coots, and geese:

High Plains	Oct. 3 & 4
Low Plains:	
Zone 1	Oct. 10 & 11
Zone 2	Oct. 31 & Nov. 1

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Texas

Ducks, mergansers, and coots:

High Plains	Oct. 17 & 18
Low Plains:	
North Zone	Oct. 24 & 25
South Zone	Oct. 24 & 25

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PACIFIC FLYWAY

Arizona

Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules

North Zone	Oct. 3 & 4
South Zone	Feb. 6 & 7

California

Ducks, geese, brant, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules

Northeastern Zone	Sept. 26 & 27
Colorado River Zone	Feb. 6 & 7
Southern Zone	Feb. 6 & 7
Southern San Joaquin Valley	Feb. 6 & 7
Balance-of-State Zone	Feb. 6 & 7

Season Dates

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Nevada

Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules

Lincoln and Clark Counties

Rest of State

Feb. 13 & 14

Oct. 3

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(5) In Kansas, the nonresident youth, must be licensed and possess state and federal duck stamps as required by state or federal regulation to hunt waterfowl.

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(10) In Maryland, the adult must also possess a valid Maryland hunting license or be exempt from hunting license requirements.

(11) In North Carolina, the daily bag limit in the Northeast Hunt Zone may not include Canada geese except by permit.

(12) In North Carolina and Virginia, the daily bag limit may not include tundra swans except by permit.

(13) In Virginia, the daily bag limit for Canada geese is 2.

4. Section 20.106 is amended by adding the entries for the following States in alphabetical order to read as follows:

**§20.106 Seasons, limits, and shooting hours for sandhill cranes.**

Subject to the applicable provisions of the preceding sections of this part, areas open to hunting, respective open seasons (dates inclusive), shooting and hawking hours, and daily bag and possession limits on the species designated in this section are as follows:

Shooting and Hawking hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset, except as otherwise restricted by State regulations. Area descriptions were published in the August 25, 2009 (74 FR 43008) Federal Register.

Note: The following seasons are in addition to the seasons published previously in the August 31, 2009 Federal Register (74 FR 45032).

	Season Dates	Bag	Limits Possession
<u>CENTRAL FLYWAY</u>			
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<u>Oklahoma</u> (1)	Oct. 24-Jan. 24	3	6
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	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Texas (1):</u>			
Zone A	Nov. 7-Feb. 7	3	6
Zone B	Nov. 27-Feb. 7	3	6
Zone C	Dec. 19-Jan. 24	2	4
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(1) Each person participating in the regular sandhill crane seasons must have a valid sandhill crane hunting permit and/or a State-issued Harvest Information Survey Program (HIP) certification for game bird hunting in their possession while hunting.

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5. Section 20.107 is revised to read as follows:

**§20.107 Seasons, limits, and shooting hours for swans.**

Subject to the applicable provisions of the preceding sections of this part, areas open to hunting, respective open seasons (dates inclusive), shooting and hawking hours, and daily bag and possession limits on the species designated in this section are as follows:

Shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset, except as otherwise restricted by State regulations. Hunting is by State permit only.

**NOTE:** Successful permittees must immediately validate their harvest by that method required in State regulations.

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<b><u>ATLANTIC FLYWAY</u></b>			
<u>North Carolina</u>	Nov. 14-Jan. 30	1 tundra swan per season	
<u>Virginia</u>	Dec. 1-Jan 30	1 tundra swan per season	
<b><u>CENTRAL FLYWAY (1)</u></b>			
<u>Montana</u>	Oct. 3-Jan. 7	1 tundra swan per season	
<u>North Dakota</u>	Oct. 3-Jan. 3	1 tundra swan per season	
<u>South Dakota</u>	Oct. 3-Dec. 20	1 tundra swan per permit	
<b><u>PACIFIC FLYWAY (1)(2)</u></b>			
<u>Montana (3)</u>	Oct. 10-Dec. 1	1 swan per season	
<u>Nevada (4)(5)</u>	Oct. 17-Jan. 3	2 swans per season	

	Season Dates	Bag	Limits Possession
<u>Utah</u> (5)(6)	Oct. 3-Dec. 13	1 swan per season	

- (1) See State regulations for description of area open to swan hunting.
- (2) Any species of swan may be taken.
- (3) In Montana, all harvested swans must be reported by way of a bill measurement card within 3 days of harvest.
- (4) All harvested swans and tags must be checked or registered within 5 days of harvest.
- (5) Harvests of trumpeter swans are limited to 5 in Nevada and 10 in Utah. When it has been determined that the quota of trumpeter swans allotted to Nevada and Utah will have been filled, the season for taking of any swan species in the respective State will be closed by either the Director upon giving public notice through local information media at least 48 hours in advance of the time and date of closing, or by the State through State regulations with such notice and time (not less than 48 hours) as they deem necessary.
- (6) In Utah, all harvested swans and tags must be checked or registered within 3 days of harvest.

6. Section 20.109 is amended by adding the entries for the following States in alphabetical order to read as follows:

**§20.109 Extended seasons, limits, and hours for taking migratory game birds by falconry.**

Subject to the applicable provisions of the preceding sections of this part, areas open to hunting, respective open seasons (dates inclusive), hawking hours, and daily bag and possession limits for the species designated in this section are prescribed as follows:

Hawking hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset except as otherwise restricted by State regulations. Area descriptions were published in the August 13, 2009 (74 FR 41008) and August 25, 2009 (74 FR 43008) Federal Registers.

**Limits:** The daily bag limit may include no more than 3 migratory game birds, singly or in the aggregate. The possession limit is twice the daily bag limit. These limits apply to falconry during both regular hunting seasons and extended falconry seasons -- unless further restricted by State regulations. The falconry bag and possession limits are not in addition to regular season limits. Unless otherwise specified, extended falconry for ducks does not include sea ducks within the special sea duck areas. Although many States permit falconry during the gun seasons, only extended falconry seasons are shown below. Please consult State regulations for details.

**NOTE:** The following seasons are in addition to the seasons published previously in the August 31, 2009 Federal Register (73 FR 45032).

Extended Falconry Dates

ATLANTIC FLYWAY

Delaware

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Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Feb. 1-Mar. 6
Brant	Feb. 1-Mar. 6

Extended Falconry Dates

Florida

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Ducks, mergansers, light geese, and coots Oct. 30-Nov. 12 &  
Feb. 8-Mar. 5

Georgia

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Ducks, mergansers, gallinules, coots, and sea ducks Nov. 30-Dec. 11 &  
Feb. 1-Feb. 12

Maine

Ducks, mergansers, and coots (4):  
North Zone Dec. 10-Feb. 1  
South Zone Jan. 6-Feb. 27

Maryland

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Ducks Feb. 1-Mar. 10

Brant Feb. 1-Mar. 10

Light Geese Feb. 2-Feb. 20

Massachusetts

Ducks, mergansers, sea ducks, and coots Feb. 1-Feb. 11

New Hampshire

Ducks, mergansers, and coots:  
Inland Zone Nov. 9-Nov. 24 &  
Dec. 21-Jan. 18  
Coastal Zone Jan. 25-Mar. 10

New Jersey

Woodcock:  
North Zone Oct. 1-Oct. 14 &  
Nov. 8-Jan. 15  
South Zone Oct. 1-Nov. 6 &  
Nov. 29-Dec. 31 &  
Jan. 3-Jan. 15

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 Extended Falconry Dates
 

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New Jersey (cont.)

## Ducks, mergansers, coots, and brant:

North Zone	Jan. 3-Feb. 9
South Zone	Jan. 8-Feb. 14
Coastal Zone	Jan. 27-Mar. 2

New York

## Ducks, mergansers and coots:

Long Island Zone	Nov. 1-Nov. 24 & Nov. 30-Dec. 7 & Feb. 1-Feb. 13
Northeastern Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 2 & Oct. 12-Oct. 22 & Dec. 13-Jan. 13
Southeastern Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 9 & Oct. 19-Nov. 6 & Dec. 28-Jan. 13
Western Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 23 & Dec. 7-Dec. 25 & Jan. 11-Jan. 13

North Carolina

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## Ducks, mergansers and coots

Oct. 26-Nov. 7 &  
Feb. 1-Feb. 20Pennsylvania

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## Ducks, mergansers, and coots:

North Zone	Oct. 26-Nov. 16 & Jan. 11-Jan. 16 & Feb. 22-Mar. 10
South Zone	Oct. 19-Nov. 14 & Feb. 20-Mar. 10
Northwest Zone	Nov. 30-Dec. 12 & Jan. 11-Jan. 16 & Feb. 12-Mar. 10
Lake Erie Zone	Jan. 25-Mar. 10

## Canada Geese:

SJBP Zone	Feb. 27-Mar. 10
AP Zone	Feb. 2-Mar. 10
RP Zone	Mar. 9-Mar. 10

Extended Falconry Dates

South Carolina

Ducks, mergansers, and coots

Nov. 4-Nov. 24 &  
Nov. 30-Dec. 4 &  
Dec. 6-Dec. 11

Virginia

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Moorhens and gallinules

Dec. 7-Dec. 11 &  
Feb. 1-Feb. 20

Ducks, mergansers, and coots

Dec. 7-Dec. 11 &  
Feb. 1-Feb. 20

Canada Geese:  
Eastern (AP) Zone

Dec. 12-Dec. 24 &  
Feb. 1-Feb. 27

Western (SJBP) Zone

Dec. 12-Dec. 14 &  
Feb. 15-Feb. 27

Brant

Oct. 8-Nov. 20 &  
Nov. 30-Dec. 11

MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY

Arkansas

Ducks, mergansers, and coots

Dec. 7-Dec. 9 &  
Feb. 1-Feb. 15

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Illinois

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Ducks, mergansers, and coots

Feb. 11-Mar. 10

Indiana

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Ducks, mergansers, and coots:  
North Zone

Sept. 27-Sept. 30 &  
Feb. 14-Mar. 10

South Zone

Oct. 17-Oct. 23 &  
Feb. 17-Mar. 10

Ohio River Zone

Oct. 24-Oct. 30 &  
Feb. 17-Mar. 10

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 Extended Falconry Dates
 

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Iowa

Ducks, mergansers, and coots	
North Zone	Dec. 15-Jan. 28
South Zone	Dec. 15-Jan. 28
Canada Geese:	
North Goose Zone	Jan. 4-Jan. 5
South Goose Zone	Jan. 11-Jan. 12
White-fronted Geese:	
North Goose Zone	Dec. 7-Jan. 10
South Goose Zone	Dec. 7-Jan. 10

Kentucky

Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Nov. 5-Nov. 25 & Nov. 30-Dec. 6
Canada Geese:	
Western Goose Zone:	
Fulton County	Nov. 5-Nov. 22
Rest of Zone	Nov. 5-Nov. 22
Pennyroyal/Coalfield Zone	Nov. 5-Nov. 22
Rest of State	Nov. 5-Nov. 22
White-fronted geese, brant, and light geese	Nov. 5-Nov. 22

Louisiana

Rails and moorhens	Nov. 7-Nov. 13 & Jan. 7-Feb. 5
Ducks	
West Zone	Nov. 7-Nov. 13 & Dec. 7-Dec. 18 & Jan. 25-Feb. 5
East Zone	Nov. 7-Nov. 20 & Dec. 7-Dec. 18 & Feb. 1-Feb. 5

Michigan

Ducks, mergansers, coots, and moorhens	Jan. 4-Feb. 17
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Minnesota

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Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Dec. 2-Jan. 16

Extended Falconry Dates

Mississippi

Mourning Doves	Nov. 21-Nov. 29 & Jan. 16-Feb. 12
Ducks, mergansers and coots	Feb. 8-Mar. 8

Missouri

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Ducks, mergansers, and coots: Statewide	Feb. 10-Mar. 10
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Ohio

Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 1-Sept. 16 & Oct. 3-Oct. 4
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Tennessee

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Mergansers and coots	Sept. 26-Oct. 22
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Wisconsin

Rails, snipe, moorhens, and gallinules North Duck Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 25 & Nov. 25-Dec. 16
South Duck Zone	Sept. 1-Oct. 2 & Oct. 12-Oct. 16 & Dec. 7-Dec. 16

Woodcock	Sept. 1-Sept. 18 & Nov. 3-Dec. 16
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Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 19-Sept. 20 & Jan 8 - Feb 21
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CENTRAL FLYWAY

Kansas

Ducks, mergansers, and coots: Low Plains: Early Zone and Late Zone	Feb. 24-Mar. 10
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 Extended Falconry Dates
 

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Montana (2)

Ducks, mergansers, and coots (1)

Sept. 23-Oct. 2

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Oklahoma

Ducks, mergansers, and coots:

Low Plains:

Zones 1 and 2

Feb. 15-Mar. 1

South Dakota

Ducks, mergansers, and coots (1)

High Plains

Sept. 4-Sept. 11

Low Plains

North Zone

Sept. 4-Sept. 18 &  
Sept. 21-Sept. 25 &  
Dec. 9-Dec. 19

Middle Zone

Sept. 4-Sept. 18 &  
Sept. 21-Sept. 25 &  
Dec. 9-Dec. 19

South Zone

Sept. 4-Sept. 18 &  
Sept. 21-Oct. 6Texas

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Ducks, mergansers, and coots:

Low Plains:

North Zone and South Zone

Jan. 25-Feb. 8

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Wyoming

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Ducks, mergansers, and coots (1)

Zone 1

Sept. 26-Sept. 27 &  
Oct. 21-Oct. 28

Zone 2

Sept. 19-Sept. 20 &  
Oct. 21-Oct. 28

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PACIFIC FLYWAY

Extended Falconry Dates

Arizona

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Ducks and mergansers:

North Zone Oct. 5-Oct. 8  
 South Zone Feb. 1-Feb. 4

California

Ducks, mergansers, and coots:

Colorado River Zone Feb. 1-Feb. 4  
 Southern Zone Feb. 1-Feb. 5  
 Balance-of-State Zone Feb. 1-Feb. 5  
 Southern San Joaquin Zone Feb. 1-Feb. 3

Canada Geese and White-fronted Geese:

Northeastern Zone Jan. 18-Jan. 20  
 Southern Zone (5) Same as for Ducks  
 Balance-of-State Zone (6) Same as for Ducks  
 Southern San Joaquin Zone Closed

Brant

Northern Zone Oct. 24-Nov. 6 &  
 Dec. 7-Feb. 5  
 Southern Zone Oct. 24-Nov. 13 &  
 Dec. 14-Feb. 5

Light Geese:

Northeastern Zone Jan. 18-Jan. 20  
 Southern Zone (5) Same as for Ducks  
 Balance-of-State Zone (6) Same as for Ducks  
 Southern San Joaquin Zone Closed

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New Mexico

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Rails

Nov. 28-Jan. 3

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Washington

Mourning doves

Oct. 1-Dec. 16

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(2) In Montana, the bag limit is 2 and the possession limit is 6.

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- (4) In Maine, the daily bag and possession limits for black ducks are 1 and 2, respectively.
- (5) In California, the falconry season for geese is concurrent with the regular season for white geese in the Imperial County special management area.
- (6) In California, the falconry season for geese is concurrent with the regular season for small Canada geese in Del Norte and Humboldt counties.

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