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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### 50 CFR Part 20

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#### Migratory Bird Hunting; 2025-26 Seasons for Certain Migratory Game Birds

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This rule prescribes the seasons, hours, areas, and daily bag and possession limits for hunting migratory game birds. Taking of migratory game birds is prohibited unless specifically provided for by annual regulations. This rule permits the taking of designated species during the 2025-26 season.

**DATES:** This rule takes effect on August 22, 2025.

**ADDRESSES:** You may inspect comments received on the migratory bird hunting regulations at <https://www.regulations.gov> at Docket No. FWS-HQ-MB-2024-0127. You may obtain copies of referenced reports from the Division of Migratory Bird Management's website at <https://www.fws.gov/program/migratory-birds> or at <https://www.regulations.gov> at Docket No. FWS-HQ-MB-2024-0127.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jerome Ford, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, (703) 358-2606. Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Regulations Schedule for 2025

On January 21, 2025, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service, we) published in the **Federal Register** (90 FR 7056) a proposal to amend title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at part 20. The proposal provided a background and overview of the

migratory bird hunting regulations process and addressed the establishment of seasons, limits, and other regulations for hunting migratory game birds under §§ 20.100 through 20.107, 20.109, and 20.110 of subpart K. Major steps in the 2025-26 regulatory cycle relating to open public meetings and **Federal Register** notifications were illustrated in the diagram at the end of the January 21, 2025, proposed rule (90 FR 7056 at 7065).

We provided the meeting dates and locations for the Service Regulations Committee (SRC) on our website at <https://www.fws.gov/event/us-fish-and-wildlife-service-migratory-bird-regulations-committee-meeting> and Flyway Council meetings on flyway calendars posted on our website at <https://www.fws.gov/partner/migratory-bird-program-administrative-flyways>. On November 19, 2024, we held open meetings with the Flyway Council Consultants, at which the participants reviewed information on the current status of migratory game birds and developed recommendations for the 2025-26 regulations for these species. The January 21, 2025, proposed rule provided detailed information on the proposed 2025-26 regulatory schedule.

On April 24, 2025, we published in the **Federal Register** (90 FR 17300) the proposed frameworks for migratory game bird hunting regulations during the 2025-26 season. On August 18, 2025, we published in the **Federal Register** (90 FR 40178) the final frameworks for migratory game bird hunting regulations, from which State wildlife conservation agency officials selected seasons, hours, areas, and limits for hunting migratory birds during the 2025-26 season.

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 the 2025-26 season and deals specifically with amending subpart K of 50 CFR part 20. It sets hunting seasons, hours, areas, and limits for migratory game bird species. This final rule is the culmination of the annual rulemaking process allowing migratory game bird hunting, which started with the January 21, 2025, proposed rule. As discussed elsewhere in this document, we supplemented that proposal on April 24, 2025, and published final season frameworks on August 18, 2025, that provided the regulatory frameworks from which the States selected their hunting seasons. This final rule sets the migratory game bird hunting seasons based on that input from the States.

#### Required Determinations

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

The programmatic document, "Second Final Supplement, USFWS, Issuance of Annual Regulations Permitting the Hunting of Migratory Birds" (EIS No. 20130139), filed with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on May 24, 2013, addresses NEPA compliance by the Service for issuance of the annual framework regulations for hunting of migratory game bird species. We published a notice of availability in the **Federal Register** on May 31, 2013 (78 FR 32686), and our record of decision on July 26, 2013 (78 FR 45376). We also address NEPA compliance for waterfowl hunting frameworks through the annual preparation of separate environmental assessments, the most recent being the Duck Hunting Regulations for the 2025-26 Season and its corresponding 2025 finding of no significant impact.

##### *Endangered Species Act Consideration*

Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), provides that the Secretary 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 a biological opinion, which concluded that the regulations are not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of any endangered or threatened species. Additionally, these findings may have caused modification of some regulatory measures previously proposed, and the final frameworks (90 FR 40178, August 18, 2025) reflect any such modifications. The biological opinion is available from <https://www.regulations.gov> at Docket No. FWS-HQ-MB-2024-0127.

Executive Order (E.O.) 12866, as reaffirmed by E.O. 13563, provides that the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA) in the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) will review all significant rules. This action is a significant regulatory action, as defined under section 3(f)(1) of E.O. 12866 (58 FR 51735, October 4, 1993).

An economic analysis was prepared for the 2025-26 migratory bird hunting

season. This analysis was based on data from the 2011 and the 2016 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation (National Survey), the most recent years for which data are available. See discussion under Required Determinations, *Regulatory Flexibility Act*, below. This analysis estimated consumer surplus for four alternatives for hunting regulations. As defined by OMB in Circular A-4, consumers' surplus is the difference between what a consumer pays for a unit of a good or service and the maximum amount the consumer would be willing to pay for that unit. The duck hunting regulatory alternatives are (1) not opening a hunting season; (2) issuing restrictive regulations that allow fewer days than the 2024–25 season; (3) issuing moderate regulations that allow more days than in Alternative 2 but fewer days than the 2024–25 season, and (4) issuing liberal regulations that allow days similar to the 2024–25 season. The estimated consumer surplus associated with liberal regulations issued for the 2024–25 season across all flyways was \$624 million to \$816 million (2024\$). We also chose Alternative 4 (liberal regulations) for the 2009–10 through 2024–25 seasons. The 2025–26 analysis is part of the record for this rulemaking action and is available at <https://www.regulations.gov> at Docket No. FWS–HQ–MB–2024–0127.

#### *Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.)*

The annual migratory bird hunting regulations have a significant economic impact on substantial numbers of small entities, such as restaurants, grocery stores, lodging, transportation, and sporting goods stores under the *Regulatory Flexibility Act* (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.). An initial regulatory flexibility analysis was prepared to analyze the economic impacts of the annual hunting regulations on small business entities. This analysis is updated annually. The primary source of information about hunter expenditures for migratory game bird hunting is the National Survey, which is generally conducted at 5-year intervals. The 2022 National Survey did not collect migratory bird expenditure data, so the 2025–26 migratory bird hunting season analysis is based on the 2011 and 2016 National Surveys and the U.S. Department of Commerce's County Business Patterns, from which it is estimated that migratory bird hunters will spend approximately \$2.5 billion (2024\$) at small businesses during the 2025–26 migratory bird hunting season. In summary, this final rule will have a significant beneficial economic impact

on small entities. Without these annual regulations, States cannot establish migratory bird hunting seasons. A wide range of businesses and individuals benefit economically from the establishment of the annual migratory bird hunting regulations. The initial regulatory flexibility analysis can be found in the economic analysis of the migratory game bird hunting regulations for the 2025–26 season. Copies of the economic analysis are available upon request from the person listed above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** or from <https://www.regulations.gov> at Docket No. FWS–HQ–MB–2024–0127.

#### *Congressional Review Act*

Pursuant to subtitle E of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act (also known as the Congressional Review Act or CRA, 5 U.S.C. 801 et seq.), OIRA designated this action as a major rule, as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2), because it is likely to result in an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more. However, because this final rule establishes a regulatory program for activity related to hunting and because hunting seasons are time sensitive, we establish the effective date of this final rule using the exemption in the CRA at 5 U.S.C. 808(1).

#### *Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.)*

This final rule does not contain any new collection of information that requires approval by OMB under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.). OMB has previously approved the information collection requirements associated with migratory bird surveys and the procedures for establishing annual migratory bird hunting seasons under the following OMB control numbers:

- 1018–0019, “North American Woodcock Singing Ground Survey” (expires 02/28/2027).
- 1018–0023, “Migratory Bird Surveys, 50 CFR 20.20” (expires 05/31/2026). Includes Migratory Bird Harvest Information Program, Migratory Bird Hunter Surveys, Sandhill Crane Survey, and Parts Collection Survey.
- 1018–0171, “Establishment of Annual Migratory Bird Hunting Seasons, 50 CFR part 20” (expires 11/30/2027).

You may view the information collection request(s) at <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>. An 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 (2 U.S.C. 1501 et seq.)*

We have determined and certify, in compliance with the requirements of the *Unfunded Mandates Reform Act* (2 U.S.C. 1501 et seq.) that this final rulemaking does not include any Federal mandate that may result in the expenditure by State, local, and Tribal governments, in the aggregate, or by the private sector, of \$100 million or more (adjusted for inflation) in any 1 year and does not significantly or uniquely affect small governments.

#### *Civil Justice Reform—E.O. 12988*

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

#### *Takings Implication Assessment—E.O. 12630*

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

#### *Energy Effects—E.O. 13211*

E.O. 13211 requires agencies to prepare statements of energy effects when undertaking certain actions. While this final rule is a significant regulatory action under E.O. 12866, it is not likely to have a significant adverse effect on the supply, distribution, or use of energy and has not been designated by OIRA as a significant energy action. Therefore, 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), E.O. 13175, and 512 DM 2, we have evaluated possible effects on federally recognized Indian Tribes with respect to impacts to Tribes' treaty rights to hunt waterfowl. We have determined that there are de minimis effects on Indian

Tribes for that aspect of their treaty rights. Through this process to establish annual hunting regulations, we regularly coordinate with Tribes that are affected by this final rulemaking action. Tribes have the opportunity to attend spring and fall flyway meetings, provide comments on **Federal Register** publications concerning migratory bird hunting, and, whenever needed, we hold informal consultations with Tribes regarding trust resources, trust assets, health, and safety. Also, in an effort to streamline the migratory bird hunting regulation process, four informational webinars were held to present a proposed new process to Tribes, giving Tribes the opportunity to provide input and to ask questions about the Tribal migratory bird hunting regulations. This final rule will not have substantial direct effects on one or more Indian Tribes, on the relationship between the Federal Government and Indian Tribes, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities between the Federal Government and Indian Tribes.

This final rule is general in nature and does not directly affect any specific Tribal lands, treaty rights, or Tribal trust resources. In addition, this final rule does not interfere with the ability of Tribes to manage themselves or their funds or to regulate migratory bird activities on Tribal lands. Therefore, we conclude that this final rule does not have “Tribal implications” under section 1(a) of E.O. 13175 with respect to waterfowl treaty rights. Thus, formal government-to-government consultation is not required by E.O. 13175 and related policies of the Department of the Interior. We will continue to collaborate with Tribes on concerns related to migratory bird hunting regulations.

#### **Federalism Effects—E.O. 13132**

Due to the migratory nature of certain species of birds, the Federal Government has been given responsibility over these species by the MBTA. 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 Tribe may be more restrictive in its regulations 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. This final rule will not have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Therefore, in accordance with E.O. 13132, these regulations do not have federalism implications and do not warrant the preparation of a federalism summary impact statement.

#### **Review of Public Comments**

The preliminary proposed rulemaking, which appeared in the January 21, 2025, **Federal Register**, opened the public comment period for migratory game bird hunting regulations for the 2025–26 hunting season. We subsequently published in the **Federal Register** the proposed regulatory frameworks for the 2025–26 migratory game bird hunting season on April 24, 2025, which also included a request for public comments. We previously addressed all pertinent comments from both rules in our August 18, 2025, final rule (90 FR 40178 at 40179–40185).

#### **Regulations Promulgation**

The rulemaking process for migratory game bird hunting, by its nature, operates under a time constraint as seasons must be established each year or hunting seasons remain closed. However, we intend that the public be provided extensive opportunity for public input and involvement in compliance with Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 551 *et seq.*) requirements. Thus, when the preliminary proposed rulemaking was published, we established what we concluded were the longest periods possible for public comment and the most opportunities for public involvement. We also provided notification of our participation in multiple Flyway Council meetings, opportunities for additional public review and comment on all Flyway Council proposals for regulatory change, and opportunities for additional public review during the SRC meeting. Therefore, we conclude that sufficient public notice and opportunity for involvement have been given to affected persons.

Further, States need sufficient time to communicate these season selections to their affected publics, and to establish and publicize the necessary regulations and procedures to implement these seasons. Thus, we find that “good cause” exists, within the terms of 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3) of the Administrative

Procedure Act, and, therefore, under authority of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (July 3, 1918), as amended (16 U.S.C. 703–711), these regulations will take effect less than 30 days after publication. Accordingly, with each conservation agency having had an opportunity to participate in selecting the hunting seasons desired for its State or Territory on those species of migratory birds for which open seasons are now prescribed, and consideration having been given to all other relevant matters presented, certain sections of title 50, chapter I, subchapter B, part 20, subpart K of the CFR are hereby amended as set forth below.

#### **List of Subjects in 50 CFR Part 20**

Endangered and threatened species, Exports, Hunting, Imports, Plants, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Transportation, Wildlife.

**Kevin Lilly,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks.*

#### **Regulation Promulgation**

For the reasons described 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—MIGRATORY BIRD HUNTING**

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

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 703 *et seq.*, and 16 U.S.C. 742a–j.

**Note:** The following annual hunting regulations provided for by §§ 20.101 through 20.107 and 20.109 of 50 CFR part 20 will not appear in the Code of Federal Regulations because of their seasonal nature.

- 2. Section 20.101 is revised to read as follows:

#### **§ 20.101 Seasons, limits, and shooting hours for Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.**

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.

#### **CHECK COMMONWEALTH REGULATIONS FOR AREA DESCRIPTIONS AND ANY ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS.**

*Puerto Rico.*

**Restrictions:** In Puerto Rico, the season is closed on the ruddy duck,

white-cheeked pintail, West Indian whistling duck, fulvous whistling duck, masked duck, purple gallinule,

American coot, Caribbean coot, white-crowned pigeon, and plain pigeon.

*Closed Areas:* Closed areas are described in the August 18, 2025, **Federal Register** (90 FR 40178).

Species	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Doves and Pigeons:			
Zenaida, white-winged, and mourning doves (1) .....	Sept. 6–Nov. 3 .....	30	90
Scaly-naped pigeons .....	Sept. 6–Nov. 3 .....	5	15
Ducks .....	Nov. 15–Dec. 2 & .....	6	18
Common Gallinules .....	Jan. 10–Jan. 26 .....	6	18
Snipe .....	Nov. 15–Dec. 22 & .....	6	18
	Jan. 10–Jan. 26 .....	6	18
	Nov. 15–Dec. 22 & .....	8	24
	Jan. 10–Jan. 26 .....	8	24

(1) The daily bag limit for Zenaida, white-winged, and mourning doves is in the aggregate and may include not more than 10 Zenaida and 3 mourning doves. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

■ 3. Section 20.102 is revised to read as follows:

**§ 20.102 Seasons, limits, and shooting hours for Alaska.**

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. Area descriptions were published in the

August 18, 2025, **Federal Register** (90 FR 40178).

**Note:** Light geese include lesser snow (including blue) geese, greater snow geese, and Ross's geese.

**Falconry:** The total combined bag and possession limit for migratory game birds taken with the use of a raptor under a falconry permit is three per day, nine in possession, and may not exceed a more restrictive limit for any species listed in this section.

**Special Tundra Swan Season:** In Game Management Units (Units) 17, 18, 22, and 23, in the North Zone, the

tundra swan season is from September 1 through October 31 with a season limit of 3 tundra swans per hunter. This season is by State permit only; hunters will be issued one permit allowing the take of up to three tundra swans. Hunters will be required to file a harvest report with the State after the season is completed. Up to 500 permits may be issued in Unit 18; 300 permits each in Units 22 and 23; and 200 permits in Unit 17.

**CHECK STATE REGULATIONS FOR AREA DESCRIPTIONS AND ANY ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS.**

Area	Season dates							
North Zone .....	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.							
Gulf Coast Zone .....	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.							
Southeast Zone .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 30 & Dec. 16–Dec. 31.							
Pribilof and Aleutian Islands Zone .....	Oct. 8–Jan. 22.							
Kodiak Zone .....	Oct. 8–Jan. 22.							

Area	Daily bag and possession limits							
	Ducks (1)	Canada & cackling geese (2)(3)(4)(5)	White-fronted geese (6)(7)	Light geese	Brant	Emperor geese	Snipe	Sandhill cranes (8)(9)
North Zone .....	10–30	4–12	4–12	6–18	2–6	Closed .....	8–24	3–9
Gulf Coast Zone ...	8–24	4–12	4–12	6–18	2–6	Closed .....	8–24	2–6
Southeast Zone ...	7–21	4–12	4–12	6–18	2–6	Closed .....	8–24	2–6
Pribilof and Aleutian Islands Zone.	7–21	4–12	4–12	6–18	2–6	Closed .....	8–24	2–6
Kodiak Zone .....	7–21	4–12	4–12	6–18	2–6	Closed .....	8–24	2–6

(1) The basic duck bag limits may include no more than two canvasbacks daily and may not include sea ducks. In addition to the basic duck limits, the sea duck limit is 10 daily, including no more than 6 each of either harlequin or long-tailed ducks. Sea ducks include scoters, common and king eiders, harlequin ducks, long-tailed ducks, and common, hooded, and red-breasted mergansers. The season for Steller's and spectacled eiders is closed.

(2) Daily bag and possession limits are in the aggregate for the two species.

(3) In Game Management Units (Units) 5 and 6, in the Gulf Coast Zone, the taking of Canada and cackling geese is only permitted from September 28 through December 16. In the Middleton Island portion of Unit 6, the taking of Canada and cackling geese is by special permit only. The maximum number of Canada and cackling geese permits is 10 for the season. A mandatory goose-identification class is required. Hunters must check in and out. The daily bag and possession limits are one Canada or cackling goose. The season will close if harvest includes five dusky Canada geese. A dusky Canada goose is any dark-breasted Canada goose (Munsell 10 YR color value five or less) with a bill length between 40 and 50 millimeters.

(4) In Unit 9, in the Gulf Coast Zone, and Unit 17 and Unit 18, in the North Zone, for Canada and cackling geese, the daily bag limit is 3 and the possession limit is 9.

(5) In Unit 10, in the Pribilof and Aleutian Islands Zone, for Canada and cackling geese, the daily bag limit is 6 and the possession limit is 18.

(6) In Unit 9, in the Gulf Coast Zone, Unit 10, in the Pribilof and Aleutian Islands Zone, and Unit 17, in the North Zone, for white-fronted geese, the daily bag limit is 6 and the possession limit is 18.

(7) In Unit 18, in the North Zone, for white-fronted geese, the daily bag limit is 10 and the possession limit is 30.

(8) In the North and Southeast Zones, for sandhill cranes, season dates are September 1 through October 21, in the Gulf Coast Zone are October 1 through November 20, and in the Pribilof and Aleutian Islands and Kodiak Zones are October 8 through November 27.

(9) In Unit 17, in the North Zone, for sandhill cranes, the daily bag limit is 2 and the possession limit is 6.

■ 4. Section 20.103 is revised to read as follows:

**§ 20.103 Seasons, limits, and shooting hours for doves and pigeons.**

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 noted. Area descriptions were published in the August 18, 2025, **Federal Register** (90 FR 40178).

CHECK STATE REGULATIONS FOR AREA DESCRIPTIONS AND ANY ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS.

(a) **Doves.**

**Note:** Unless otherwise specified, the seasons listed below are for mourning and white-winged doves. The daily bag and possession limits are in the aggregate for the two species.

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<b>EASTERN MANAGEMENT UNIT</b>			
<i>Alabama:</i>			
North Zone:			
12 noon to sunset .....	Sept. 6 only .....	15	15
one-half hour before sunrise to sunset .....	Sept. 7–Oct. 19 & .....	15	45
	Nov. 22–Nov. 30 & .....	15	45
	Dec. 13–Jan. 18 .....	15	45
South Zone:			
12 noon to sunset .....	Sept. 13 only .....	15	15
one-half hour before sunrise to sunset .....	Sept. 14–Oct. 26 & .....	15	45
	Nov. 22–Dec. 30 & .....	15	45
	Dec. 13–Jan. 18 .....	15	45
<i>Delaware</i> .....			
<i>Florida</i> .....			
<i>Georgia</i> .....			
<i>Illinois (1)</i> .....			
<i>Indiana</i> .....			
<i>Kentucky:</i>			
11 a.m. to sunset .....	Sept. 1 only .....	15	15
one-half hour before sunrise to sunset .....	Sept. 2–Oct. 26 & .....	15	45
	Nov. 27–Dec. 7 & .....	15	45
	Dec. 20–Jan. 11 .....	15	45
<i>Louisiana:</i>			
North Zone .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 28 & .....	15	45
	Oct. 11–Nov. 16 & .....	15	45
	Dec. 20–Jan. 18 .....	15	45
South Zone .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 21 & .....	15	45
	Oct. 18–Nov. 30 & .....	15	45
	Dec. 13–Jan. 11 .....	15	45
<i>Maryland:</i>			
12 noon to sunset .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 18 .....	15	45
one-half hour before sunrise to sunset .....	Oct. 25–Nov. 28 & .....	15	45
	Dec. 20–Jan. 9 .....	15	45
<i>Mississippi:</i>			
North Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 & .....	15	45
	Oct. 18–Nov. 16 & .....	15	45
	Dec. 27–Jan. 25 .....	15	45
South Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 & .....	15	45
	Oct. 18–Nov. 16 & .....	15	45
	Dec. 27–Jan. 25 .....	15	45
<i>North Carolina</i> .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 4 & .....	15	45
	Nov. 8–Nov. 29 & .....	15	45

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<i>Ohio (1)</i> .....	Dec. 16–Jan. 31 .....	15	45
	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 & .....	15	45
	Dec. 13–Jan. 1 .....	15	45
<i>Pennsylvania</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 28 & .....	15	45
	Dec. 20–Jan. 3 .....	15	45
<i>Rhode Island</i> : .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 & .....	15	45
	Oct. 18–Dec. 16 .....	15	45
<i>South Carolina</i> : .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 4 & .....	15	45
	Nov. 15–Nov. 29 & .....	15	45
	Dec. 22–Jan. 31 .....	15	45
<i>Tennessee</i> : .....	Sept. 1 only .....	15	15
12 noon to sunset .....	Sept. 2–Sept. 28 & .....	15	45
one-half hour before sunrise to sunset .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 2 & .....	15	45
	Dec. 8–Jan. 15 .....	15	45
<i>Virginia</i> : .....	Sept. 1 only .....	15	15
12 noon to sunset .....	Sept. 2–Oct. 19 & .....	15	45
one-half hour before sunrise to sunset .....	Nov. 22–Nov. 30 & .....	15	45
	Dec. 19–Jan. 19 .....	15	45
<i>West Virginia</i> : .....	Sept. 1 only .....	15	15
12 noon to sunset .....	Sept. 2–Oct. 12 & .....	15	45
one-half hour before sunrise to sunset .....	Nov. 3–Nov. 16 & .....	15	45
	Dec. 8–Jan. 10 .....	15	45
<i>Wisconsin</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 29 .....	15	45

**CENTRAL MANAGEMENT UNIT**

<i>Arkansas</i> .....	Sept. 6–Oct. 26 & .....	15	45
<i>Colorado</i> .....	Dec. 8–Jan. 15 .....	15	45
<i>Iowa</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 29 .....	15	45
<i>Kansas</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 29 .....	15	45
<i>Minnesota</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 29 .....	15	45
<i>Missouri</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 29 .....	15	45
<i>Montana</i> .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 30 .....	15	45
<i>Nebraska</i> .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 30 .....	15	45
<i>New Mexico</i> : .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 29 .....	15	45
North Zone .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 28 & .....	15	45
South Zone .....	Dec. 1–Jan. 1 .....	15	45
<i>North Dakota</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 29 .....	15	45
<i>Oklahoma</i> .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 31 & .....	15	45
<i>South Dakota</i> .....	Dec. 1–Dec. 29 .....	15	45
<i>Texas (2)</i> : .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	15	45
North Zone .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 & .....	15	45
	Dec. 19–Jan. 7 .....	15	45
Central Zone .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 26 & .....	15	45
	Dec. 12–Jan. 14 .....	15	45
South Zone .....	Sept. 14–Oct. 26 & .....	15	45
	Dec. 12–Jan. 22 .....	15	45
Special White-winged Dove Area .....	Sept. 5–Sept. 7 & .....	15	45
	Sept. 12–Sept. 13 .....	15	45
<i>Wyoming</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 29 .....	15	45

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<i>Arizona</i> .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 & .....	15	45
<i>California</i> .....	Nov. 21–Jan. 4 .....	15	45
	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 & .....	15	45
	Nov. 8–Dec. 22 .....	15	45
<i>Idaho</i> .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 30 .....	15	45
<i>Nevada</i> .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 30 .....	15	45
<i>Oregon</i> : .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 & .....	15	45
Zone 1 .....	Nov. 15–Dec. 14 .....	15	45
Zone 2 .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 30 .....	15	45
<i>Utah</i> .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 30 .....	15	45

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Washington .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 30 .....	15	45

**OTHER POPULATIONS**

Hawaii (3) .....	Nov. 1–Jan. 11 .....	10	30
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(1) In *Illinois* and *Ohio*, shooting hours are sunrise to sunset.  
 (2) In *Texas*, the daily bag limit is 15 mourning, white-winged, and white-tipped doves in the aggregate, of which no more than 2 may be white-tipped doves with a maximum 90-day season. Possession limits are three times the daily bag limit. During the special season in the Special White-winged Dove Area of the South Zone, the daily bag limit is 15 mourning, white-winged, and white-tipped doves in the aggregate, of which no more than 2 may be mourning doves and no more than 2 may be white-tipped doves. Possession limits are three times the daily bag limit. Shooting hours in the Special White-winged Dove area are from noon to sunset.

(3) In *Hawaii*, the season is open only on the islands of Hawaii and Maui. On the island of Hawaii, the daily bag limit is 10 mourning doves, spotted doves, and chestnut-bellied sandgrouse in the aggregate. On the island of Maui, the daily bag limit is 10 mourning doves. Shooting hours are from one-half hour before sunrise through one-half hour after sunset. See State regulations for additional restrictions on hunting dates and areas.

**(b) Band-tailed Pigeons.**

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Arizona .....	Sept. 26–Oct. 9 .....	2	6
California:			
North Zone .....	Sept. 20–Sept. 28 .....	2	6
South Zone .....	Dec. 20–Dec. 28 .....	2	6
Colorado (1) .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 14 .....	2	6
New Mexico (1):			
North Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 14 .....	2	6
South Zone .....	Oct. 1–Oct. 14 .....	2	6
Oregon .....	Sept. 15–Sept. 23 .....	2	6
Utah (1) .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 14 .....	2	6
Washington .....	Sept. 15–Sept. 23 .....	2	6

(1) Each band-tailed pigeon hunter must have a band-tailed pigeon hunting permit issued by the State.

■ 5. Section 20.104 is revised to read as follows:

**§ 20.104 Seasons, limits, and shooting hours for rails, woodcock, and 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 noted. Area descriptions were published in the August 18, 2025, **Federal Register** (90 FR 40178).

**Note:** Unless otherwise specified, the daily bag and possession limits for sora and Virginia rails are in the aggregate, and the daily bag and possession limits for clapper and king rails are in the aggregate.

**CHECK STATE REGULATIONS FOR AREA DESCRIPTIONS AND ANY ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS.**

Area	Sora and Virginia rails	Clapper and king rails	Woodcock	Snipe
Daily bag limit .....	25 .....	15 .....	3 .....	8
Possession limit .....	75 .....	45 .....	9 .....	24

**ATLANTIC FLYWAY**

Connecticut (1) .....	Sept. 3–Oct. 25 & Nov. 3–Nov. 29.	Sept. 3–Oct. 25 & Nov. 3–Nov. 29.	Oct. 23–Dec. 13 .....	Sept. 3–Oct. 11 & Oct. 18–Jan. 3.
Delaware (2) .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Nov. 24–Nov. 30 & Dec. 25–Jan. 31.	Sept. 23–Nov. 30 & Dec. 25–Jan. 31.
Florida .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Dec. 18–Jan. 31 .....	Nov. 1–Feb. 15.
Georgia .....	Sept. 8–Sept. 13 & Oct. 6–Nov. 30.	Sept. 8–Sept. 13 & Oct. 6–Nov. 30.	Dec. 6–Jan. 19 .....	Nov. 15–Feb. 28.
Maine (3) .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 20 .....	Closed .....	Sept. 27–Nov. 18 .....	Sept. 1–Jan. 2.
Maryland (1) .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 20 .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 20 .....	Oct. 25–Nov. 28 & Jan. 12–Jan. 28.	Sept. 27–Jan. 29.
Massachusetts (4) .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 6 .....	Closed .....	Oct. 2–Nov. 22 .....	Sept. 1–Dec. 15.
New Hampshire .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Oct. 1–Nov. 14 .....	Sept. 15–Nov. 14.
New Jersey (2)(5):				
North Zone .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 20 .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 20 .....	Oct. 18–Oct. 25 & Oct. 28–Nov. 29.	Sept. 6–Jan. 8.
South Zone .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 20 .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 20 .....	Nov. 8–Dec. 6 & Dec. 20–Jan. 1	Sept. 6–Jan. 8.
New York (6) .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Closed .....	Oct. 1–Nov. 14 .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9.

Area	Sora and Virginia rails	Clapper and king rails	Woodcock	Snipe
<i>North Carolina</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 20 .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 20 .....	Dec. 11–Jan. 31 .....	Oct. 28–Feb. 28.
<i>Pennsylvania (7)</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 20 .....	Closed .....	Oct. 18–Nov. 28 & Dec. 15–Dec. 24.	Oct. 18–Nov. 28 & Dec. 15–Dec. 24.
<i>Rhode Island (8)</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Oct. 18–Dec. 1 .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9.
<i>South Carolina</i> .....	Sept. 8–Sept. 12 & Oct. 6–Dec. 9.	Sept. 8–Sept. 12 & Oct. 6–Dec. 9.	Dec. 18–Jan. 31 .....	Nov. 14–Feb. 28.
<i>Vermont</i> .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Sept. 27–Nov. 10 .....	Sept. 27–Nov. 10.
<i>Virginia (9)</i> .....	Sept. 6–Oct. 25 & Nov. 11–Nov. 30.	Sept. 6–Oct. 25 & Nov. 11–Nov. 30.	Nov. 11–Nov. 30 & Dec. 26–Jan. 19.	Sept. 29–Nov. 30 & Dec. 19–Jan. 31.
<i>West Virginia (10)</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Closed .....	Oct. 18–Nov. 22 & Dec. 1–Dec. 9.	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.

## MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY

<i>Alabama (11)</i> .....	Sept. 13–Sept. 21 & Nov. 28–Jan. 27.	Sept. 13–Sept. 21 & Nov. 28–Jan. 27.	Dec. 13–Dec. 14 & Dec. 20–Jan. 31.	Nov. 8–Feb. 22.
<i>Arkansas</i> .....	Sept. 13–Nov. 21 .....	Closed .....	Nov. 1–Dec. 15 .....	Nov. 1–Feb. 15.
<i>Illinois (12)</i> .....	Sept. 6–Nov. 14 .....	Closed .....	Oct. 18–Dec. 1 .....	Sept. 6–Dec. 21.
<i>Indiana (13)</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Closed .....	Oct. 15–Nov. 28 .....	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
<i>Iowa (14)</i> .....	Sept. 6–Nov. 14 .....	Closed .....	Oct. 4–Nov. 17 .....	Sept. 6–Nov. 30.
<i>Kentucky</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Closed .....	Oct. 25–Nov. 7 & Nov. 10–Dec. 10.	Sept. 17–Oct. 26 & Nov. 27–Feb. 1.
<i>Louisiana</i> .....	Sept. 20–Sept. 28 & Nov. 8–Jan. 7.	Sept. 20–Sept. 28 & Nov. 8–Jan. 7.	Dec. 18–Jan. 31 .....	Nov. 2–Dec. 7 & Dec. 20–Feb. 28.
<i>Michigan</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Closed .....	Sept. 15–Oct. 29 .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9.
<i>Minnesota</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Closed .....	Sept. 20–Nov. 3 .....	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
<i>Mississippi</i> .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 & Nov. 22–Dec. 31.	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 & Nov. 22–Dec. 31.	Dec. 18–Jan. 31 .....	Nov. 14–Feb. 28.
<i>Missouri</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Closed .....	Oct. 18–Dec. 1 .....	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
<i>Ohio (12)</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Closed .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 24 .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 19 & Dec. 6–Jan. 1.
<i>Tennessee</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Closed .....	Nov. 8–Nov. 30 & Jan. 10–Jan. 31.	Nov. 14–Feb. 28.
<i>Wisconsin</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Closed .....	Sept. 20–Nov. 3 .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9.

## CENTRAL FLYWAY

<i>Colorado</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
<i>Kansas</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Closed .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 24 .....	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
<i>Montana</i> .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
<i>Nebraska (10)</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Closed .....	Oct. 4–Nov. 17 .....	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
<i>New Mexico (15)</i> .....	Sept. 13–Nov. 21 .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Oct. 11–Jan. 25.
<i>North Dakota</i> .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Sept. 20–Nov. 3 .....	Sept. 13–Nov. 30.
<i>Oklahoma</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Closed .....	Nov. 1–Dec. 15 .....	Sept. 27–Jan. 11.
<i>South Dakota (16)</i> .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 31.
<i>Texas</i> .....	Sept. 20–Sept. 28 & Nov. 1–Dec. 31.	Sept. 20–Sept. 28 & Nov. 1–Dec. 31.	Dec. 18–Jan. 31 .....	Nov. 1–Feb. 15.
<i>Wyoming</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.

## PACIFIC FLYWAY

<i>Arizona</i> .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Oct. 23–Jan. 31 & Feb. 7 & Feb. 8.
<i>California</i> .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Oct. 18–Feb. 1.
<i>Colorado</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
<i>Idaho:</i>				
Zone 1 .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16.
Zone 2 .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16.
Zone 3 .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Oct. 19–Jan. 31.
Zone 4 .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16.
<i>Montana</i> .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
<i>Nevada:</i>				
Northeast Zone ....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Sept. 27–Dec. 2 & Dec. 13–Jan. 19.
Northwest Zone ....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Oct. 11–Jan. 4 & Jan. 7–Jan. 25.
South Zone (17) ...	Closed .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 19 & Oct. 22–Jan. 25.
<i>New Mexico</i> .....	Sept. 13–Nov. 21 .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Oct. 17–Jan. 31.
<i>Oregon:</i>				
Zone 1 .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Nov. 1–Feb. 15.
Zone 2 .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Oct. 11–Jan. 25.
<i>Utah:</i>				
Northern Zone ....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 17.
Southern Zone ....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Oct. 11–Jan. 24.
<i>Washington:</i>				
East Zone .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 19 & Oct. 22–Jan. 25.
West Zone .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 19 & Oct. 22–Jan. 25.
<i>Wyoming</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	Closed .....	Closed .....	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.

(1) In Connecticut and Maryland, the daily bag limit for clapper and king rails is 10 and may include no more than 1 king rail. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

(2) In Delaware and New Jersey, the limits for clapper and king rails are 10 daily and 30 in possession.

(3) In *Maine*, the daily bag and possession limit for sora and Virginia rails is 25.  
 (4) In *Massachusetts*, the limits for sora are 5 daily and 15 in possession; the limits for Virginia rails are 10 daily and 30 in possession.  
 (5) In *New Jersey*, the season for king rail is closed by State regulation.  
 (6) In *New York*, the limits for sora and Virginia rails are 8 daily and 24 in possession. Seasons for sora and Virginia rails and snipe are closed on Long Island.  
 (7) In *Pennsylvania*, the limits for sora and Virginia rails are three daily and nine in possession.  
 (8) In *Rhode Island*, the limits for sora and Virginia rails are 3 daily and 9 in possession, the limits for clapper and king rails are 1 daily and 3 in possession, and the limits for snipe are 5 daily and 15 in possession.  
 (9) In *Virginia*, the limit for king rail is one daily and three in possession.  
 (10) In *West Virginia* and *Nebraska*, the limits for sora and Virginia rails are 10 daily and 30 in possession.  
 (11) In *Alabama*, the limits for sora and Virginia rails are 15 daily and 45 in possession.  
 (12) In *Illinois* and *Ohio*, shooting hours are from sunrise to sunset.  
 (13) In *Indiana*, the season on Virginia rails is closed.  
 (14) In *Iowa*, the limits for sora and Virginia rails are 12 daily and 36 in possession.  
 (15) In *New Mexico*, in the Central Flyway portion of the State, the limits for sora and Virginia rails are 10 daily and 20 in possession.  
 (16) In *South Dakota*, the snipe limits are 5 daily and 15 in possession.  
 (17) In *Nevada*, the snipe season in the portion of the South Zone including Moapa Valley to the confluence of the Muddy and Virgin rivers is only open October 25 through January 25.

■ 6. Section 20.105 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 noted. Area

descriptions were published in the August 18, 2025, **Federal Register** (90 FR 40178).

CHECK STATE REGULATIONS FOR AREA DESCRIPTIONS AND ANY ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS.

(a) *Gallinules*.

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<b>ATLANTIC FLYWAY</b>			
<i>Delaware</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	15	45
<i>Florida</i> (1) .....	Nov. 10–Dec. 13 .....	15	45
<i>Georgia</i> .....	Nov. 22–Nov. 30 & .....	15	45
<i>New Jersey</i> .....	Dec. 6–Jan. 25 .....	15	45
<i>New Jersey</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 20 .....	1	3
<i>New York</i> :			
<i>Long Island</i> .....	Closed .....	.....	.....
<i>Remainder of State</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	8	24
<i>North Carolina</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 20 .....	15	45
<i>Pennsylvania</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 20 .....	3	9
<i>South Carolina</i> .....	Sept. 8–Sept. 12 & .....	15	45
<i>Virginia</i> .....	Oct. 6–Dec. 9 .....	15	45
<i>West Virginia</i> .....	Sept. 6–Oct. 25 & .....	15	45
	Nov. 11–Nov. 30 .....	15	45
	Oct. 4–Oct. 12 & .....	15	45
	Dec. 2–Jan. 31 .....	15	45
<b>MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY</b>			
<i>Alabama</i> .....	Sept. 13–Sept. 21 & .....	15	45
	Nov. 28–Jan. 27 .....	15	45
<i>Arkansas</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	15	45
<i>Kentucky</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	3	9
<i>Louisiana</i> .....	Sept. 20–Sept. 28 & .....	15	45
<i>Michigan</i> .....	Nov. 8–Jan. 7 .....	15	45
<i>Minnesota</i> (2):	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	1	3
<i>North Zone</i> .....	Sept. 27–Nov. 25 .....	15	45
<i>Central Zone</i> .....	Sept. 27–Oct. 5 & .....	15	45
<i>South Zone</i> .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 30 .....	15	45
	Sept. 27–Oct. 5 & .....	15	45
	Oct. 18–Dec. 7 .....	15	45
<i>Mississippi</i> .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 & .....	15	45
	Nov. 22–Dec. 31 .....	15	45
<i>Ohio</i> (3) .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	15	45
<i>Tennessee</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	15	45
<i>Wisconsin</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	8	24
<b>CENTRAL FLYWAY</b>			
<i>New Mexico</i> .....	Sept. 13–Nov. 21 .....	1	3
<i>Oklahoma</i> .....	Sept. 1–Nov. 9 .....	15	45
<i>Texas</i> .....	Sept. 20–Sept. 28 & .....	15	45
	Nov. 1–Dec. 31 .....	15	45

Area	Season dates	Limits		
		Bag	Possession	
<i>PACIFIC FLYWAY</i>				
<i>All States</i> .....		Seasons are in the aggregate with coots and listed in paragraph (d).		
<p>(1) In <i>Florida</i>, the season applies to common gallinules only.</p> <p>(2) In <i>Minnesota</i>, the daily bag limit is 15 and the possession limit is 45 coots and gallinules in the aggregate.</p> <p>(3) In <i>Ohio</i>, shooting hours are from sunrise to sunset.</p>				
(b) <i>Early (September) Duck Seasons.</i>		<p><b>Note:</b> Unless otherwise specified, the seasons listed below are for teal only.</p>		
Area	Season dates	Limits		
		Bag	Possession	
<i>ATLANTIC FLYWAY</i>				
<i>Delaware</i> (1) .....	Sept. 20–Sept. 28 .....	6	18	
<i>Florida</i> (2) .....	Sept. 20–Sept. 24 .....	6	18	
<i>Georgia</i> .....	Sept. 13–Sept. 21 .....	6	18	
<i>Maryland</i> (1) .....	Sept. 18–Sept. 27 .....	6	18	
<i>North Carolina</i> (1) .....	Sept. 11–Sept. 20 .....	6	18	
<i>South Carolina</i> (3) .....	Sept. 20–Sept. 28 .....	6	18	
<i>Virginia</i> (1):				
Area East of Interstate 95 .....	Sept. 20–Sept. 28 .....	6	18	
Area West of Interstate 95 .....	Sept. 23–Sept. 28 .....	6	18	
<i>MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY</i>				
<i>Alabama</i> .....	Sept. 13–Sept. 21 .....	6	18	
<i>Arkansas</i> (3) .....	Sept. 20–Sept. 28 .....	6	18	
<i>Illinois</i> (3) .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 14 .....	6	18	
<i>Indiana</i> (3) .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 14 .....	6	18	
<i>Iowa</i> (3) .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 14 .....	6	18	
<i>Kentucky</i> (2) .....	Sept. 20–Sept. 24 .....	6	18	
<i>Louisiana</i> .....	Sept. 20–Sept. 28 .....	6	18	
<i>Michigan</i> .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 9 .....	6	18	
<i>Minnesota</i> (3)(4) .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 10 .....	6	18	
<i>Mississippi</i> .....	Sept. 20–Sept. 28 .....	6	18	
<i>Missouri</i> (3) .....	Sept. 13–Sept. 21 .....	6	18	
<i>Ohio</i> (3) .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 14 .....	6	18	
<i>Tennessee</i> (2) .....	Sept. 13–Sept. 17 .....	6	18	
<i>Wisconsin</i> .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 9 .....	6	18	
<i>CENTRAL FLYWAY</i>				
<i>Colorado</i> (1) .....	Sept. 13–Sept. 21 .....	6	18	
<i>Kansas</i> (1):				
Low Plains .....	Sept. 13–Sept. 21 .....	6	18	
High Plains .....	Sept. 20–Sept. 28 .....	6	18	
<i>Nebraska</i> (1)(5):				
Low Plains .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 14 .....	6	18	
High Plains .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 14 .....	6	18	
<i>New Mexico</i> .....	Sept. 13–Sept. 21 .....	6	18	
<i>Oklahoma</i> .....	Sept. 13–Sept. 21 .....	6	18	
<i>Texas</i> :				
High Plains .....	Sept. 20–Sept. 28 .....	6	18	
Rest of State .....	Sept. 20–Sept. 28 .....	6	18	

(1) Area restrictions. See State regulations.

(2) In *Florida*, *Kentucky*, and *Tennessee*, the daily bag limit is six wood ducks and teal in the aggregate, of which no more than two may be wood ducks. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

(3) Shooting hours are from sunrise to sunset.

(4) In *Minnesota*, hunting is prohibited on wild rice beds that are posted open to rice harvest within the boundaries of the Mille Lacs Indian Reservation, within one-half mile of wild rice beds that are posted open to rice harvest within the boundaries of the Leech Lake Reservation, and on wild rice waters within the boundaries of the White Earth Reservation. See State and Tribal regulations for more information.

(5) In *Nebraska*, the season is open to both Tier I and Tier II licensed holders.

## (c) Special Early Canada and Cackling Geese Seasons.

**Note:** Unless otherwise specified, the daily bag and possession limits for Canada and cackling geese are in the aggregate.

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<b>ATLANTIC FLYWAY</b>			
<i>Connecticut</i> (1):			
North Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 .....	15	45
South Zone .....	Sept. 15–Sept. 30 .....	15	45
<i>Delaware</i> (2):			
Outside of Special Teal Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 .....	15	45
Inside of Special Teal Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 19 & .....	15	45
<i>Florida</i> .....	Sept. 20–Sept. 25 .....	15	45
<i>Georgia</i> .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 28 .....	5	15
<i>Maine</i> :	Sept. 6–Sept. 28 .....	5	15
North Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 .....	8	24
South Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 .....	10	30
Coastal Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 .....	10	30
<i>Maryland</i> (1)(3):			
Eastern Unit .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 .....	8	24
Western Unit .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 .....	8	24
<i>Massachusetts</i> :			
Central Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 19 .....	15	45
Coastal Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 19 .....	15	45
Western Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 19 .....	15	45
<i>New Hampshire</i> .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 .....	5	15
<i>New Jersey</i> (1)(3)(4) .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 .....	15	45
<i>New York</i> (5):			
Lake Champlain Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 .....	8	24
Northeastern Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 .....	15	45
East Central Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 .....	15	45
Hudson Valley Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 .....	15	45
West Central Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 .....	15	45
South Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 .....	15	45
Western Long Island Zone .....	Closed .....	.....	.....
Central Long Island Zone .....	Sept. 2–Sept. 30 .....	15	45
Eastern Long Island Zone .....	Sept. 2–Sept. 30 .....	15	45
<i>North Carolina</i> (6)(7) .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 .....	15	45
<i>Pennsylvania</i> (8)(9)(10) .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 .....	8	24
<i>Rhode Island</i> (1) .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 .....	15	45
<i>South Carolina</i> .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 .....	15	45
<i>Vermont</i> :			
Lake Champlain Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 .....	8	24
Interior Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 .....	8	24
Connecticut River Zone (11) .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 .....	5	15
<i>Virginia</i> (12) .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 .....	10	30
<i>West Virginia</i> .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 14 .....	5	15
<b>CENTRAL FLYWAY</b>			
<i>North Dakota</i> :			
Missouri River Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 7 .....	15	45
Western ND Canada, and Cackling Goose Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 .....	15	45
Remainder of State .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 22 .....	15	45
<i>Oklahoma</i> .....	Sept. 13–Sept. 22 .....	8	24
<i>South Dakota</i> (13) .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 .....	15	45
<i>Texas</i>			
East Goose Zone (13) .....	Sept. 13–Sept. 28 .....	5	15
<b>PACIFIC FLYWAY</b>			
<i>Colorado</i> .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 9 .....	5	15
<i>Idaho</i>			
Zone 4 .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 .....	5	15
<i>Oregon</i> :			
Northwest Permit Zone .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 20 .....	5	15
Southwest Zone .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 10 .....	5	15
Eastern Zone .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 10 .....	5	15
Mid-Columbia Zone .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 10 .....	5	15
<i>Washington</i> :			
Area 1 .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 14 .....	5	15
Area 2 Inland .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 14 .....	5	15

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Area 2 Coast (14) .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 14 .....	5	15
Area 3 .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 14 .....	5	15
Area 4 .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 7 .....	5	10
Area 5 .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 7 .....	5	10
<i>Wyoming:</i>			
Teton County Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 8 .....	5	15
Balance of State Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 8 .....	5	15

(1) Shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

(2) In *Delaware*, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset, the use of unplugged shotguns capable of holding more than three shotshells is allowed, and the use of electronic calls is allowed outside the Special Teal Zone from September 1 through September 25 and inside the Special teal zone from September 1 through September 19 only.

(3) In *Maryland* and *New Jersey*, the use of shotguns capable of holding more than three shotshells is allowed.

(4) In *New Jersey*, the use of electronic calls is allowed.

(5) In *New York*, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset, the use of shotguns capable of holding more than three shotshells is allowed, and the use of electronic calls is allowed, except during Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days in Lake Champlain, Northeastern, and Southeastern Goose Hunting Areas. During the designated Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days in these areas, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to sunset, shotguns must be capable of holding no more than three shotshells, and electronic calls are not allowed. See State regulations for further details.

(6) In *North Carolina*, the use of unplugged guns and electronic calls is allowed in the area west of U.S. Highway 17 only.

(7) In *North Carolina*, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset in the area west of U.S. Highway 17 only.

(8) In *Pennsylvania*, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset from September 1 to September 19. On September 20, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to sunset.

(9) In *Pennsylvania*, the area south of State Route (SR) 198 from the Ohio State line to intersection of Interstate 79 (I-79), west of I-79 to SR 358, north of SR 358 to the Ohio State line: The season dates are September 1 to September 13. The daily limit is one Canada goose with a possession limit of three geese. The season is closed on State Game Lands 214. Note: this restriction does not apply to youth participation on youth waterfowl hunting days when regular season regulations apply.

(10) In *Pennsylvania*, in the area of Lancaster and Lebanon Counties north of the Pennsylvania Turnpike I-76, east of SR 501 to SR 419, south of SR 419 to the Lebanon-Berks County line, west of the Lebanon-Berks County line and the Lancaster-Berks County line to SR 1053, west of SR 1053 to the Pennsylvania Turnpike I-76, the daily bag limit is one goose with a possession limit of three geese. On State Game Lands No. 46 (Middle Creek Wildlife Management Area), the season is closed. However, during youth waterfowl hunting days, regular season regulations apply.

(11) In *Vermont*, the season in the Connecticut River Zone is the same as the New Hampshire Inland Zone season, set by New Hampshire.

(12) In *Virginia*, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset from September 1 to September 19 in the area east of I-95. Shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset from September 1 to September 22 in the area west of I-95.

(13) See State regulations for additional information and restrictions.

(14) In *Washington*, in Pacific County, the daily bag and possession limits are 15 and 45 Canada and cackling geese in the aggregate, respectively.

**(d) Waterfowl, Coots, and Pacific-Flyway Seasons for Gallinules.**

**Definitions**

**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.

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

**Central Flyway:** Includes Colorado (east of the Continental Divide), Kansas, Montana (Blaine, Carbon, Fergus, Judith Basin, Stillwater, Sweetgrass, Wheatland Counties, 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).

**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's geese.

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

**Note:** Unless otherwise specified, the daily bag and possession limits for Canada and cackling geese are in the aggregate.

**Atlantic Flyway**

**Flyway-Wide Restrictions**

**Duck Limits:** The daily bag limit of six ducks may include no more than four mallards (two female mallards), one scaup (except as footnoted below), two black ducks, three pintails, one mottled

duck, one fulvous whistling-duck, three wood ducks, two redheads, two canvasbacks, four sea ducks (including no more than three scoters, three long-tailed ducks, and three eiders [and no more than one female eider]). The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

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

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

**Merganser Limits:** The daily bag limit is five mergansers. In States that include mergansers in the duck bag limit, the daily limit is the same as the duck bag limit. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<i>Connecticut:</i>			
Ducks and Mergansers (1):			
North Zone .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 18 & .....	6	18
South Zone .....	Nov. 11–Jan. 10 .....	6	18
Coots .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 13 & .....	6	18
Canada, Cackling, and White-fronted Geese (2):	Nov. 11–Nov. 11 & .....	6	18
Atlantic Flyway Resident Population (AFRP) Unit .....	Nov. 15–Jan. 20 .....	6	18
Same as for Ducks .....	15		45
North Atlantic Population (NAP) High Unit:			
North Zone .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 18 & .....	2	6
South Zone .....	Nov. 11–Jan. 10 .....	2	6
Late Season .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 13 & .....	2	6
Same as for Ducks .....	Nov. 8–Jan. 14 .....	2	6
Same as for Ducks .....	Jan. 15–Feb. 14 .....	5	15
Same as for Ducks .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 18 & .....	1	3
Same as for Ducks .....	Nov. 4–Nov. 29 .....	1	3
Same as for Ducks .....	Dec. 15–Feb. 14 .....	5	15
Light Geese .....	Oct. 1–Jan. 10 & .....	25	.....
Brant:	Feb. 17–Mar. 10 .....	25	.....
North Zone .....	Dec. 8–Jan. 10 .....	1	3
South Zone .....	Dec. 16–Jan. 19 .....	1	3
<i>Delaware:</i>			
Ducks .....	Nov. 1–Nov. 9 & .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Nov. 26–Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
Coots .....	Dec. 17–Jan. 31 .....	6	18
Canada, Cackling, and White-fronted Geese (2) .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Light Geese (3) .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Brant .....	Dec. 20–Jan. 3 & .....	1	3
Same as for Ducks .....	Jan. 17–Jan. 31 .....	1	3
Same as for Ducks .....	Oct. 18–Jan. 31 & .....	25	.....
Same as for Ducks .....	Feb. 7 only .....	25	.....
Same as for Ducks .....	Dec. 20–Jan. 3 & .....	1	3
Same as for Ducks .....	Jan. 17–Jan. 31 .....	1	3
<i>Florida:</i>			
Ducks (4) .....	Nov. 22–Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Dec. 6–Jan. 25 .....	6	18
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Canada and Cackling Geese .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Light Geese .....	Nov. 22–Nov. 30 & .....	5	15
Same as for Ducks .....	Dec. 1–Jan. 30 .....	5	15
Same as for Ducks .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	.....
<i>Georgia:</i>			
Ducks .....	Nov. 22–Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Dec. 6–Jan. 25 .....	6	18
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Canada, Cackling, and White-fronted Geese (2) .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Light Geese .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 26 & .....	5	15
Same as for Canada, Cackling, and White-fronted Geese .....	Nov. 22–Nov. 30 & .....	5	15
Same as for Canada, Cackling, and White-fronted Geese .....	Dec. 6–Jan. 25 .....	5	15
Same as for Canada, Cackling, and White-fronted Geese .....	Same as for Canada, Cackling, and White-fronted Geese .....	5	15
Brant .....	Closed .....	.....	.....
<i>Maine:</i>			
Ducks (5):			
North Zone .....	Sept. 29–Dec. 6 .....	6	18
South Zone .....	Oct. 1–Oct. 11 & .....	6	18
Coastal Zone .....	Oct. 29–Dec. 25 .....	6	18
Oct. 4–Oct. 11 & .....	Oct. 4–Oct. 11 & .....	6	18
Nov. 6–Jan. 6 .....	Nov. 6–Jan. 6 .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Canada, Cackling, and White-fronted Geese (2):			
North Zone .....	Oct. 1–Dec. 9 .....	2	6
South Zone .....	Oct. 1–Oct. 11 & .....	2	6
Coastal Zone .....	Oct. 29–Dec. 25 .....	2	6
Oct. 4–Oct. 11 & .....	Oct. 4–Oct. 11 & .....	3	9
Oct. 25–Jan. 6 .....	Oct. 25–Jan. 6 .....	3	9
Light Geese .....	Oct. 1–Jan. 30 .....	25	.....

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Brant:			
North Zone .....	Sept. 29–Nov. 1 .....	1	3
South Zone .....	Oct. 1–Oct. 11 & .....	1	3
Coastal Zone .....	Oct. 29–Nov. 20 .....	1	3
Coastal Zone .....	Oct. 4–Oct. 11 & .....	1	3
Coastal Zone .....	Dec. 11–Jan. 6 .....	1	3
<i>Maryland:</i>			
Ducks and Mergansers (6)(7)			
Eastern Zone .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 18 & .....	6	18
Eastern Zone .....	Nov. 15–Nov. 28 & .....	6	18
Western Zone .....	Dec. 16–Jan. 31 .....	6	18
Western Zone .....	Oct. 4–Oct. 18 & .....	6	18
Western Zone .....	Nov. 22–Nov. 28 & .....	6	18
Western Zone .....	Dec. 16–Jan. 31 .....	6	18
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Canada, Cackling, and White-fronted Geese (2):			
Resident Population (RP) Zone .....	Nov. 22–Nov. 28 & .....	5	15
Resident Population (RP) Zone .....	Dec. 15–Mar. 7 .....	5	15
AP Zone .....	Dec. 19–Jan. 3 & .....	1	3
AP Zone .....	Jan. 14–Jan. 31 .....	1	3
Light Geese .....	Oct. 1–Nov. 28 & .....	25	.....
Light Geese .....	Dec. 15–Jan. 31 & .....	25	.....
Brant .....	Feb. 7 only .....	25	.....
Brant .....	Dec. 29–Jan. 31 .....	1	3
<i>Massachusetts:</i>			
Ducks (8)(9):			
Western Zone .....	Oct. 13–Nov. 28 & .....	6	18
Western Zone .....	Dec. 13–Jan. 3 .....	6	18
Central Zone .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 28 & .....	6	18
Central Zone .....	Dec. 15–Jan. 3 .....	6	18
Coastal Zone .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 18 & .....	6	18
Coastal Zone .....	Nov. 28–Jan. 28 .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Canada and Cackling Geese:			
NAP Zone:			
Central Zone .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 28 & .....	2	6
Central Zone .....	Dec. 15–Jan. 3 .....	2	6
Late Season .....	Jan. 17–Feb. 14 .....	5	15
Coastal Zone .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 18 & .....	2	6
Coastal Zone .....	Nov. 28–Jan. 28 .....	2	6
Late Season (10) .....	Jan. 29–Feb. 14 .....	5	15
Western Zone .....	Oct. 13–Nov. 15 .....	1	3
Late Season .....	Dec. 15–Feb. 14 .....	5	15
Light Geese:			
Western Zone .....	Oct. 13–Nov. 28 & .....	25	.....
Western Zone .....	Dec. 13–Jan. 3 .....	25	.....
Central Zone .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 28 & .....	25	.....
Central Zone .....	Dec. 15–Jan. 3 & .....	25	.....
Coastal Zone (10) .....	Jan. 17–Feb. 14 .....	25	.....
Coastal Zone (10) .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 18 & .....	25	.....
Coastal Zone (10) .....	Nov. 28–Feb. 14 .....	25	.....
Brant:			
Western and Central Zones .....	Closed .....	.....	.....
Coastal Zone .....	Nov. 28–Jan. 1 .....	1	2
<i>New Hampshire:</i>			
Ducks:			
Northern Zone .....	Oct. 2–Nov. 30 .....	6	18
Inland Zone .....	Oct. 13–Nov. 11 & .....	6	18
Coastal Zone .....	Nov. 27–Dec. 26 .....	6	18
Coastal Zone .....	Oct. 2–Oct. 8 & .....	6	18
Coastal Zone .....	Nov. 27–Jan. 18 .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Canada and Cackling Geese .....	Same as for Ducks .....	2	6
Brant:			
Northern Zone .....	Oct. 2–Oct. 31 .....	1	3
Inland Zone .....	Oct. 13–Nov. 11 .....	1	3
Coastal Zone .....	Oct. 2–Oct. 8 & .....	1	3
Coastal Zone .....	Nov. 27–Dec. 19 .....	1	3
<i>New Jersey:</i>			
Ducks (11):			

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
North Zone .....	Oct. 18–Oct. 25 & .....	6	18
South Zone .....	Nov. 22–Jan. 22 .....	6	18
Coastal Zone .....	Oct. 18–Oct. 25 & .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Nov. 22–Jan. 22 .....	6	18
Coots .....	Nov. 22–Jan. 30 .....	6	18
Same as for Ducks .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Same as for Ducks .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Canada, Cackling, and White-fronted Geese (2):			
North Zone .....	Nov. 27–Nov. 29 & .....	1	3
Special Season .....	Dec. 23–Jan. 22 .....	1	3
South Zone .....	Jan. 23–Feb. 14 .....	5	15
Special Season .....	Nov. 27–Nov. 29 & .....	1	3
Coastal Zone .....	Dec. 23–Jan. 22 .....	1	3
Special Season .....	Jan. 23–Feb. 14 .....	5	15
Coastal Zone .....	Nov. 22–Jan. 30 .....	2	6
Light Geese:			
North, South, and Coastal Zones .....	Oct. 16–Feb. 14 .....	25	.....
Brant:			
North Zone .....	Nov. 22–Nov. 29 & .....	1	3
South Zone .....	Dec. 13–Jan. 8 .....	1	3
Coastal Zone .....	Nov. 22–Nov. 29 & .....	1	3
Coastal Zone .....	Dec. 13–Jan. 8 .....	1	3
Coastal Zone .....	Nov. 22–Nov. 29 & .....	1	3
Coastal Zone .....	Dec. 24–Jan. 19 .....	1	3
New York:			
Ducks and Mergansers (12):			
Long Island Zone .....	Nov. 22–Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
Long Island Zone .....	Dec. 6–Jan. 25 .....	6	18
Lake Champlain Zone .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 2 & .....	6	18
Northeastern Zone .....	Nov. 22–Dec. 28 .....	6	18
Southeastern Zone .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
Western Zone .....	Dec. 13–Dec. 21 .....	6	18
Western Zone .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 19 & .....	6	18
Western Zone .....	Nov. 8–Dec. 28 .....	6	18
Western Zone .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 2 & .....	6	18
Western Zone .....	Dec. 6–Jan. 11 .....	6	18
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Canada, Cackling, and White-fronted Geese (2):			
Western Long Island (RP) .....	Nov. 8–Feb. 22 .....	8	24
Central Long Island (NAP-L) .....	Nov. 22–Nov. 30 & .....	3	9
Eastern Long Island (NAP-H) .....	Dec. 6–Feb. 4 .....	3	9
Eastern Long Island (NAP-H) .....	Nov. 22–Nov. 30 & .....	2	6
Eastern Long Island (NAP-H) .....	Dec. 6–Jan. 25 .....	2	6
Lake Champlain (AP) Zone .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 9 .....	1	3
Late Season .....	Dec. 1–Jan. 19 .....	5	15
Northeast (AP) Zone .....	Oct. 25–Nov. 14 & .....	1	3
East Central (AP) Zone .....	Nov. 22–Nov. 30 .....	1	3
East Central (AP) Zone .....	Oct. 25–Nov. 14 & .....	1	3
Hudson Valley (AP) Zone .....	Nov. 8–Dec. 7 .....	1	3
West Central (AP) Zone .....	Oct. 25–Nov. 14 & .....	1	3
South (AFRP) Zone .....	Dec. 6–Jan. 14 .....	1	3
South (AFRP) Zone .....	Oct. 25–Jan. 12 .....	5	15
Light Geese (13):			
Long Island Zone .....	Nov. 24–Mar. 10 .....	25	.....
Lake Champlain Zone .....	Oct. 3–Jan. 15 .....	25	.....
Northeastern Zone .....	Oct. 3–Jan. 15 .....	25	.....
Southeastern Zone .....	Oct. 1–Dec. 31 .....	25	.....
Western Zone .....	Oct. 3–Jan. 15 .....	25	.....
Brant:			
Long Island Zone .....	Dec. 27–Jan. 25 .....	1	2
Lake Champlain Zone .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 9 .....	1	2
Northeastern Zone .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 9 .....	1	2
Southeastern Zone .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 9 .....	1	2
Western Zone .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 9 .....	1	2
North Carolina:			
Ducks (14)(15)			
Coastal Zone .....	Oct. 24–Oct. 25 & .....	6	18
Coastal Zone .....	Nov. 8–Nov. 29 & .....	6	18
Coastal Zone .....	Dec. 18–Jan. 31 .....	6	18
Inland Zone .....	Oct. 16–Oct. 18 & .....	6	18
Inland Zone .....	Nov. 8–Nov. 29 & .....	6	18

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Mergansers (16) .....	Dec. 19–Jan. 31 .....	6	18
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Canada, Cackling, and White-fronted Geese (2):	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
RP Zone .....	Oct. 16–Oct. 25 & .....	5	15
Northeast Zone .....	Nov. 8–Dec. 6 & .....	5	15
Light Geese .....	Dec. 18–Feb. 7 .....	5	15
Brant .....	Dec. 29–Jan. 31 .....	1	3
Oct. 24–Feb. 7 .....	25 .....		
Dec. 29–Jan. 31 .....	1	3	
<i>Pennsylvania:</i>			
Ducks (17):			
North Zone .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 25 & .....	6	18
South Zone .....	Nov. 18–Jan. 10 .....	6	18
Northwest Zone .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 18 & .....	6	18
Lake Erie Zone .....	Nov. 19–Jan. 19 .....	6	18
AP Zone .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 28 & .....	6	18
RP Zone .....	Dec. 22–Jan. 10 .....	6	18
Nov. 3–Jan. 10 .....	6	18	
Same as for Ducks .....	5	15	
Same as for Ducks .....	15	45	
Canada, Cackling, and White-fronted Geese (2)(18):			
AP Zone .....	Nov. 25–Nov. 28 & .....	1	3
RP Zone .....	Dec. 20–Jan. 19 .....	1	3
Oct. 25–Nov. 28 & .....	5	15	
Dec. 15–Jan. 17 & .....	5	15	
Jan. 30–Feb. 21 .....	5	15	
Light Geese:			
AP Zone .....	Oct. 1–Jan. 24 .....	25	.....
RP Zone .....	Oct. 21–Feb. 21 .....	25	.....
Brant .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 14 .....	1	3
<i>Rhode Island:</i>			
Ducks (19) .....	Oct. 10–Oct. 13 & .....	6	18
	Nov. 26–Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 6–Jan. 25 .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Canada and Cackling Geese .....	Nov. 22–Dec. 30 & .....	2	6
Special Season .....	Dec. 6–Jan. 25 .....	2	6
Light Geese .....	Jan. 31–Feb. 14 .....	5	15
Brant .....	Oct. 11–Jan. 25 .....	25	.....
Dec. 27–Jan. 25 .....	1	3	
<i>South Carolina:</i>			
Ducks (20)(21)(22) .....	Nov. 15 & .....	6	18
	Nov. 22–Nov. 29 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 12–Jan. 31 .....	6	18
Mergansers (20) .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Canada, Cackling, and White-fronted Geese (2)(23) .....	Nov. 22–Nov. 29 & .....	5	15
	Dec. 12–Jan. 31 & .....	5	15
	Feb. 15–Mar. 1 .....	5	15
Light Geese .....	Same as for Canada, Cackling, and White-fronted Geese.	25	.....
Brant .....	Jan. 2–Jan. 31 .....	1	3
<i>Vermont:</i>			
Ducks (24):			
Lake Champlain Zone .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 2 & .....	6	18
Interior Zone .....	Nov. 22–Dec. 28 .....	6	18
Connecticut River Zone .....	Oct. 11–Dec. 9 .....	6	18
	Oct. 13–Nov. 11 & .....	6	18
	Nov. 27–Dec. 26 .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Canada, Cackling, and White-fronted Geese (2):			
Lake Champlain Zone .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 9 .....	1	3
Late Season .....	Dec. 1–Jan. 19 .....	5	15
Interior Zone .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 9 .....	1	3
Late Season .....	Dec. 1–Jan. 19 .....	5	15
Connecticut River Zone .....	Oct. 13–Nov. 11 & .....	2	6
	Nov. 27–Dec. 26 .....	2	6
Late season .....	Dec. 27–Jan. 15 .....	5	15
Light Geese:			

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Lake Champlain Zone .....	Oct. 1–Dec. 31 & .....	25	.....
Interior Zone .....	Feb. 26–Mar. 10 .....	25	.....
Connecticut River Zone .....	Oct. 1–Dec. 31 & .....	25	.....
Feb. 26–Mar. 10 .....	25	.....	
Oct. 13–Nov. 11 & .....	25	.....	
Nov. 27–Dec. 26 .....	25	.....	
Brant:			
Lake Champlain Zone .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 9 .....	1	3
Interior Zone .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 9 .....	1	3
Connecticut River Zone .....	Oct. 13–Nov. 11 .....	1	3
<i>Virginia:</i>			
Ducks (25)(26) .....	Oct. 10–Oct. 13 & .....	6	18
	Nov. 19–Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 19–Jan. 31 .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Canada, Cackling, and White-fronted Geese (2):			
AP Zone .....	Dec. 24–Dec. 31 & .....	1	3
	Jan. 10–Jan. 31 .....	1	3
RP Zone .....	Nov. 19–Nov. 30 & .....	5	15
	Dec. 19–Feb. 22 .....	5	15
Light Geese .....	Oct. 18–Jan. 31 .....	25	.....
Brant .....	Dec. 24–Dec. 31 & .....	1	3
	Jan. 10–Jan. 31 .....	1	3
<i>West Virginia:</i>			
Ducks (27)(28) .....	Oct. 4–Oct. 12 & .....	6	18
	Nov. 8–Nov. 16 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 21–Jan. 31 .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Canada, Cackling, and White-fronted Geese (2) .....	Oct. 4–Oct. 19 & .....	5	15
	Nov. 8–Nov. 16 & .....	5	15
	Dec. 8–Jan. 31 .....	5	15
Light Geese .....	Same as for Canada, Cackling, and White-fronted Geese. ....	5	15
Brant .....	Jan. 2–Jan. 31 .....	1	3

(1) In *Connecticut*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two from December 18 through January 10 in the North Zone and from December 27 through January 20 in the South Zone.

(2) The daily bag and possession limits for Canada geese, cackling geese, and white-fronted geese are in the aggregate.

(3) In *Delaware*, the Bombay Hook National Wildlife Refuge snow goose season is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays only.

(4) In *Florida*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two from January 7 through January 26.

(5) In *Maine*, the daily bag limit may include no more than 4 of any species, with no more than 12 of any one species in possession. Scaup daily bag limit is one for the entire season. Eider daily bag limit is two.

(6) In *Maryland*, the black duck season is closed in the first (October) segment. Two black ducks may be harvested as part of the daily duck bag limit during the 2nd and 3rd season segments of the regular duck season in both the Eastern and Western Duck Zones. Additionally, the daily bag limit of six ducks may include no more than four sea ducks, of which no more than three may be scoters, eiders, or long-tailed ducks (no more than one hen eider). Where the Sea Duck Zone (defined by State regulation 08.03.07.04) is not overlain by the Offshore Waterfowl Hunting Zone (defined by State regulation 08.03.07.07), only sea ducks (scoters, long-tailed ducks, and eiders) may be taken during the regular duck season.

(7) In *Maryland*, during the regular duck season, the daily bag limit for scaup is one during all portions of the regular duck season that occur prior to January 9. The daily bag limit for scaup is two from January 9 through January 31 in both the Eastern and Western duck zones.

(8) In *Massachusetts*, the daily bag limit may include no more than four of any single species in addition to the flyway-wide bag restrictions.

(9) In *Massachusetts*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two from January 8 through January 28 in the Coastal Zone.

(10) In *Massachusetts*, the February 1 through 14 portion of the season in the Coastal Zone is restricted to the portion of the Coastal Zone north of the Cape Cod Canal.

(11) In *New Jersey*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two from December 31 through January 22 in the North Zone, January 8 through January 22 in the South Zone, and January 8 through January 30 in the Coastal Zone. Also, the daily bag limit for black-bellied whistling-duck or fulvous whistling-duck in the aggregate is one.

(12) In *New York*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two from December 2 through December 21 in the Northeast Zone, from December 23 through January 11 in the Western Zone, from December 9 through December 28 in the Southeast Zone, from January 6 through January 25 in the Long Island Zone, and from December 9 through December 28 in the Lake Champlain Zone.

(13) In *New York*, the use of electronic calls and shotguns capable of holding more than three shotshells are allowed for hunting of light geese on any day when all other waterfowl hunting seasons are closed.

(14) In *North Carolina*, the season is closed for black ducks and mottled ducks October 16 through November 21.

(15) In *North Carolina*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two from January 9 through January 31.

(16) In *North Carolina*, the daily bag limit for mergansers is five of which no more than two may be hooded mergansers.

(17) In *Pennsylvania*, during the regular duck season in the North Zone, the daily bag limit for scaup is two from December 19 through January 10. During the regular duck season in the South Zone, the daily bag limit for scaup is two from December 27 through January 19. During the regular duck season in the Northwest Zone, the daily bag limit for scaup is two from November 27 through November 28 and from December 22 through January 10. During the regular duck season in the Lake Erie Zone, the daily bag limit for scaup is two from December 19 through January 10.

(18) In *Pennsylvania*, the daily bag limit is three Canada geese with a possession limit of nine geese in the area south of SR 198 from the Ohio State line to the intersection of I-79, west of I-79 to SR 358, north of SR 358 to the Ohio State line. Also, areas in the public hunting sections of State Game Lands 46 (Middle Creek Wildlife Management Area) in Lebanon and Lancaster Counties that are outside the controlled goose hunting areas have a daily limit of one and a possession limit of three. Areas inside the controlled goose hunting areas of State Game Lands 46 (Middle Creek Wildlife Management Area) have a season limit of one.

(19) In *Rhode Island*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two from January 6 through January 25.

(20) In *South Carolina*, the daily bag limit of six may not exceed one black-bellied whistling-duck or hooded merganser. Further, the black duck/mottled duck limit is as follows: (1) For areas east and south of I-95, either one black or one mottled duck in the daily bag in the aggregate; (2) for areas west and north of I-95, either two black ducks, or one black duck and one mottled duck in the daily bag.

(21) In *South Carolina*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two on November 15, November 22 through November 29, and December 12 through December 22.

(22) In *South Carolina*, on November 15, only hunters 17 years of age or younger can hunt ducks [2 scaup], coots, and mergansers. The youth must be accompanied by a person 21 years of age or older who is properly licensed, including State and Federal waterfowl stamps. Youth who are 16 or 17 years of age who hunt on this day are not required to have a State license or State waterfowl stamp but must possess a Federal waterfowl stamp and migratory bird permit.

(23) In *South Carolina*, the daily bag limit may include no more than two white-fronted geese.

(24) In *Vermont*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two within the Lake Champlain Zone from December 9 through December 28 and from November 20 through December 9 within the Interior Zone. Within the Connecticut River Zone, during the regular duck season, the scaup bag limit will be one for the entire season.

(25) In *Virginia*, the season is closed for black ducks October 10 through October 13.

(26) In *Virginia*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two from January 12 through January 31.

(27) In *West Virginia*, the season is closed for eiders, whistling-ducks, and mottled ducks.

(28) In *West Virginia*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two from January 12 through January 31.

## Mississippi Flyway

### Flyway-Wide Restrictions

**Duck Limits:** The daily bag limit of six ducks may include no more than four mallards (no more than two of which may be females), one mottled duck, two

black ducks, three pintails, two canvasbacks, two redheads, one scaup (except as footnoted below), and three wood ducks. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

**Merganser Limits:** The daily bag limit is five mergansers and may include no

more than two hooded mergansers. In States that include mergansers in the duck bag limit, the daily limit is the same as the duck bag limit, of which only two may be hooded mergansers. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<b>Alabama:</b>			
Ducks .....	Nov. 28–Nov. 29 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 5–Jan. 31 .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Dark Geese .....	Sept. 6–Oct. 5 & .....	5	15
	Oct. 18–Nov. 1 & .....	5	15
	Nov. 28–Nov. 29 & .....	5	15
	Dec. 5–Jan. 31 .....	5	15
	Same as for Dark Geese .....	5	15
<b>Arkansas:</b>			
Ducks .....	Nov. 22–Dec. 1 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 10–Dec. 23 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 27–Jan. 31 .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	10
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Canada and Cackling Geese .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 15 & .....	5	15
	Nov. 22–Dec. 1 & .....	2	6
	Dec. 10–Dec. 23 & .....	2	6
	Dec. 27–Jan. 31 .....	2	6
White-fronted Geese .....	Oct. 25–Nov. 2 & .....	2	6
	Nov. 22–Dec. 1 & .....	2	6
	Dec. 10–Dec. 23 & .....	2	6
	Dec. 27–Jan. 31 .....	2	6
Brant .....	Closed .....	.....	.....
Light Geese .....	Same as for White-fronted Geese .....	20	.....
<b>Illinois:</b>			
<b>Ducks (1):</b>			
North Zone .....	Oct. 18–Dec. 16 .....	6	18
Central Zone .....	Oct. 25–Dec. 23 .....	6	18
South Central Zone .....	Nov. 15–Jan. 13 .....	6	18
South Zone .....	Nov. 29–Jan. 27 .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
<b>Canada and Cackling Geese:</b>			
North Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 & .....	5	15
	Oct. 18–Jan. 15 .....	3	9
Central Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 & .....	5	15
	Oct. 25–Nov. 2 & .....	3	9
South Central Zone .....	Nov. 12–Jan. 31 .....	3	9
	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 & .....	2	6
South Zone .....	Nov. 15–Jan. 31 .....	3	9
	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 & .....	2	6
	Nov. 29–Jan. 31 .....	3	9
<b>White-fronted Geese:</b>			
North Zone .....	Oct. 20–Jan. 15 .....	2	6

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Central Zone .....	Nov. 5–Jan. 31 .....	2	6
South Central Zone .....	Nov. 15–Jan. 31 .....	2	6
South Zone .....	Nov. 29–Jan. 31 .....	2	6
Light Geese:			
North Zone .....	Oct. 18–Jan. 15 .....	20	.....
Central Zone .....	Oct. 25–Jan. 31 .....	20	.....
South Central Zone .....	Nov. 15–Jan. 31 .....	20	.....
South Zone .....	Nov. 29–Jan. 31 .....	20	.....
Brant .....	Same as for Light Geese .....	1	3
Indiana:			
Ducks (2):			
North Zone .....	Oct. 18–Dec. 7 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 20–Dec. 28 .....	6	18
Central Zone .....	Nov. 1–Nov. 9 & .....	6	18
	Nov. 22–Jan. 11 .....	6	18
South Zone .....	Nov. 8–Nov. 9 & .....	6	18
	Nov. 29–Jan. 25 .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Dark Geese (3):			
North Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 10 & .....	5	15
	Oct. 18–Oct. 26 & .....	5	15
	Nov. 22–Feb. 15 .....	5	15
Central Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 10 & .....	5	15
	Nov. 1–Nov. 9 & .....	5	15
	Nov. 22–Feb. 15 .....	5	15
South Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 14 & .....	5	15
	Nov. 8–Nov. 12 & .....	5	15
	Nov. 22–Feb. 15 .....	5	15
White-fronted Geese:			
North Zone .....	Nov. 22–Feb. 15 .....	2	6
Central Zone .....	Nov. 22–Feb. 15 .....	2	6
South Zone .....	Nov. 22–Feb. 15 .....	2	6
Light Geese:			
North Zone .....	Same as for Dark Geese .....	20	.....
Central Zone .....	Same as for Dark Geese .....	20	.....
South Zone .....	Same as for Dark Geese .....	20	.....
Iowa:			
Ducks (4):			
North Zone .....	Sept. 27–Oct. 3 & .....	6	18
	Oct. 11–Dec. 2 .....	6	18
Central Zone .....	Oct. 4–Oct. 10 & .....	6	18
	Oct. 18–Dec. 9 .....	6	18
South Zone .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 17 & .....	6	18
	Oct. 25–Dec. 16 .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Dark Geese:			
North Zone (5) .....	Sept. 13–Sept. 21 & .....	5	15
	Sept. 20–Oct. 5 & .....	5	15
	Oct. 11–Dec. 2 & .....	5	15
	Dec. 13–Jan. 10 .....	5	15
Central Zone (5) .....	Sept. 13–Sept. 21 & .....	5	15
	Sept. 27–Oct. 12 & .....	5	15
	Oct. 18–Dec. 9 & .....	5	15
	Dec. 20–Jan. 17 .....	5	15
South Zone (5) .....	Oct. 4–Oct. 19 & .....	5	15
	Oct. 25–Dec. 16 & .....	5	15
	Dec. 27–Jan. 24 .....	5	15
Light Geese:			
North Zone .....	Sept. 20–Oct. 5 & .....	20	.....
	Oct. 11–Dec. 2 & .....	20	.....
	Dec. 13–Jan. 10 .....	20	.....
Central Zone .....	Sept. 27–Oct. 12 & .....	20	.....
	Oct. 18–Dec. 9 & .....	20	.....
	Dec. 20–Jan. 17 .....	20	.....
South Zone .....	Same as for Dark Geese .....	20	.....
Kentucky:			
Ducks (6):			
West Zone .....	Nov. 27–Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 7–Jan. 31 .....	6	18
East Zone .....	Same as West Zone .....	6	18

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Mergansers .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Canada and Cackling Geese			
Eastern Zone .....	Sept. 16–Sept. 30 & .....	5	15
	Nov. 27–Feb. 15 .....	3	9
Western Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 & .....	5	15
	Nov. 27–Feb. 15 .....	3	9
White-fronted Geese .....	Nov. 27–Feb. 15 .....	2	6
Brant .....	Nov. 27–Feb. 15 .....	1	3
Light Geese .....	Nov. 27–Feb. 15 .....	20	60
<i>Louisiana:</i>			
Ducks (7):			
East Zone .....	Nov. 22–Dec. 8 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 20–Jan. 31 .....	6	18
West Zone .....	Nov. 15–Dec. 7 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 20–Jan. 25 .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Canada and Cackling Geese:			
East Zone .....	Nov. 15–Dec. 8 & .....	1	3
	Dec. 20–Feb. 7 .....	1	3
West Zone .....	Nov. 8–Dec. 7 & .....	1	3
	Dec. 20–Feb. 1 .....	1	3
White-fronted Geese .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese .....	3	9
Brant .....	Closed .....		
Light Geese .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese .....	20	.....
<i>Michigan:</i>			
Ducks (8):			
North Zone .....	Sept. 27–Nov. 23 & .....	6	18
	Nov. 29–Nov. 30 .....	6	18
Middle Zone .....	Oct. 4–Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 13–Dec. 14 .....	6	18
South Zone .....	Oct. 18–Dec. 14 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 27–Dec. 28 .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Dark Geese (9):			
North Zone .....	Sept. 1–Dec. 16 .....	5	15
Middle Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 & .....	5	15
	Oct. 4–Dec. 19 .....	5	15
South Zone: .....	Oct. 21–Dec. 20 .....	5	15
Muskegon Wastewater Game Management Unit (GMU). .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 & .....	5	15
Allegan County GMU .....	Oct. 18–Nov. 5 & .....	5	15
	Dec. 20–Feb. 15 .....	5	15
Remainder of South Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 & .....	5	15
	Oct. 18–Dec. 14 & .....	5	15
	Dec. 27–Jan. 4 & .....	5	15
	Jan. 31–Feb. 9 .....	5	15
Light Geese:			
North Zone .....	Same as for Dark Geese .....	20	60
Middle Zone .....	Same as for Dark Geese .....	20	60
South Zone: .....	.....		
Muskegon Wastewater GMU .....	Same as for Dark Geese .....	20	60
Allegan County GMU .....	Same as for Dark Geese .....	20	60
Remainder of South Zone .....	Same as for Dark Geese .....	20	60
<i>Minnesota:</i>			
Ducks (10):			
North Zone .....	Sept. 27–Nov. 25 .....	6	18
Central Zone .....	Sept. 27–Oct. 5 & .....	6	18
South Zone .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 30 .....	6	18
	Sept. 27–Oct. 5 & .....	6	18
	Oct. 18–Dec. 7 .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Coots (11) .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Dark Geese:			
North Zone .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 21 & .....	5	15
	Sept. 27–Dec. 26 .....	5	15
Central Zone .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 21 & .....	5	15
	Sept. 27–Oct. 5 & .....	5	15
	Oct. 11–Dec. 31 .....	5	15

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
South Zone .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 21 & .....	5	15
	Sept. 27–Oct. 5 & .....	5	15
	Oct. 18–Jan. 7 .....	5	15
Light Geese:			
North Zone .....	Same as for Dark Geese .....	20	60
Central Zone .....	Same as for Dark Geese .....	20	60
South Zone .....	Same as for Dark Geese .....	20	60
<i>Mississippi:</i>			
Ducks (6) .....	Nov. 28–Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 6–Jan. 31 .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Canada and Cackling Geese .....	Sept. 1–Sept 30 & .....	5	15
	Nov. 14–Nov. 30 & .....	5	15
	Dec. 6–Jan. 31 .....	5	15
White-fronted Geese .....	Nov. 14–Nov. 30 & .....	3	9
	Dec. 6–Jan. 31 .....	3	9
Brant .....	Same as for White-fronted Geese .....	1	3
Light Geese .....	Same as for White-fronted Geese .....	20	.....
<i>Missouri:</i>			
Ducks and Mergansers (12):			
North Zone .....	Nov. 1–Dec. 30 .....	6	18
Middle Zone .....	Nov. 1–Nov. 9 & .....	6	18
South Zone .....	Nov. 15–Jan. 4 .....	6	18
	Nov. 27–Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 7–Jan. 31 .....	6	18
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Canada and Cackling Geese, and Brant (13):			
North Zone .....	Oct. 4–Oct. 12 & .....	3	9
Middle Zone .....	Nov. 11–Feb. 6 .....	3	9
South Zone .....	Same as North Zone .....	3	9
	Same as North Zone .....	3	9
White-fronted Geese:			
North Zone .....	Nov. 11–Feb. 6 .....	2	6
Middle Zone .....	Same as North Zone .....	2	6
South Zone .....	Same as North Zone .....	2	6
Light Geese:			
North Zone .....	Nov. 11–Feb. 6 .....	20	.....
Middle Zone .....	Same as North Zone .....	20	.....
South Zone .....	Same as North Zone .....	20	.....
<i>Ohio:</i>			
Ducks (14):			
Lake Erie Marsh Zone .....	Oct. 18–Nov. 2 & .....	6	18
	Nov. 15–Dec. 28 .....	6	18
North Zone .....	Oct. 18–Oct. 26 & .....	6	18
	Nov. 15–Jan. 4 .....	6	18
South Zone .....	Oct. 18–Oct. 27 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 13–Jan. 31 .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Dark Geese (15):			
Lake Erie Goose Zone .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 14 & .....	5	15
	Oct. 18–Nov. 2 & .....	5	15
North Zone .....	Nov. 15–Feb. 2 .....	5	15
	Sept. 6–Sept. 14 & .....	5	15
	Oct. 18–Oct. 26 & .....	5	15
South Zone .....	Nov. 15–Feb. 9 .....	5	15
	Sept. 6–Sept. 14 & .....	5	15
	Oct. 18–Oct. 27 & .....	5	15
Light Geese:			
Lake Erie Goose Zone .....	Same as for Dark Geese .....	10	30
North Zone .....	Same as for Dark Geese .....	10	30
South Zone .....	Same as for Dark Geese .....	10	30
<i>Tennessee:</i>			
Ducks (6):			
Reelfoot Zone .....	Nov. 29–Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 5–Jan. 31 .....	6	18
Rest of State .....	Nov. 29–Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 5–Jan. 31 .....	6	18
Mergansers .....	Same as for Ducks .....	5	15
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Canada and Cackling Geese:			
Reelfoot Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 21 & Oct. 11–Oct. 22 & Nov. 29–Nov. 30 & Dec. 5–Feb. 14	5 3 3 3	15 9 9 9
Rest of State	Sept. 1–Sept. 21 & Oct. 11–Oct. 22 & Nov. 29–Nov. 30 & Dec. 5–Feb. 14	5 3 3 3	15 9 9 9
White-fronted Geese:			
Reelfoot Zone	Nov. 29–Nov. 30 & Dec. 5–Feb. 14	3 3	9 9
Rest of State	Nov. 29–Nov. 30 & Dec. 5–Feb. 14	3 3	9 9
Brant	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese	1	3
Light Geese	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese	20	.....
<i>Wisconsin:</i>			
Ducks (16):			
North Zone	Sept. 27–Nov. 25	6	18
South Zone	Oct. 4–Oct. 12 & Oct. 18–Dec. 7	6 6	18 18
Open Water Zone	Oct. 18–Dec. 16	6	18
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Dark Geese			
North Zone (17)	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 & Sept. 16–Dec. 16	5 3	15 9
South Zone (17)	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 & Sept. 16–Oct. 12 & Oct. 18–Dec. 7 & Dec. 20–Jan. 2	5 3 3 5	15 9 9 15
Mississippi River Zone (17)	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 & Sept. 16–Oct. 12 & Oct. 18–Dec. 7 & Dec. 20–Jan. 2	5 3 3 5	15 9 9 15
Light Geese:			
North Zone	Sept. 1–Dec. 16	20	.....
South Zone	Sept. 1–Oct. 12 & Oct. 18–Dec. 7 & Dec. 20–Jan. 2	20 20 20	..... ..... .....
Mississippi River Zone	Sept. 1–Oct. 12 & Oct. 18–Dec. 7 & Dec. 20–Jan. 2	20 20 20	..... ..... .....

(1) In *Illinois*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two during the first 45 days in each of the four Zones.

(2) In *Indiana*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two from November 2 through December 7 and from December 12 through December 25 in the North Zone, from November 28 through January 11 in the Central Zone, and from December 12 through January 25 in the South Zone.

(3) In *Indiana*, the daily bag limit for dark geese is five per day in the aggregate. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit. White-fronted geese are excluded from this aggregation.

(4) In *Iowa*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two for the last 45 days of the season.

(5) In *Iowa*, Canada and cackling geese may only be hunted September 13 through September 21, for the North and Central Zones. Beginning September 20, the dark goose daily bag limit is five and may not include more than two Canada and cackling geese September 20 through October 5 in the North Zone, September 27 through October 12 in the Central Zone, and October 4 through October 19 in the South Zone. No more than three Canada and cackling geese thereafter, until the end of the season.

(6) In *Kentucky, Mississippi, and Tennessee*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two from December 18 through January 31.

(7) In *Louisiana*, the daily bag limit for scaup daily bag limit is two after November 29 in the West Zone and after December 6 in the East Zone. The mottled duck daily bag limit is zero for the first 15 days of the season in each zone and one thereafter. The northern pintail daily bag may not include more than one female.

(8) In *Michigan*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two from September 27 through November 10 in the North Zone, from October 20 through November 30 and December 13 through December 14 in the Middle Zone, and from November 3 through December 14 and December 27 through December 28 in the South Zone.

(9) In *Michigan*, the dark goose daily bag limit is five and may not include more than one brant.

(10) In *Minnesota*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two starting October 12 in the North Zone, October 17 in the Central Zone, and October 24 in the South Zone through the remainder of the season. The daily bag limit for northern pintail is two, statewide.

(11) In *Minnesota*, the daily bag limit is 15, and the possession limit is 45 coots and gallinules in the aggregate.

(12) In *Missouri*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two from November 1 through December 15 in the North Zone, from November 1 through November 9 and November 15 through December 20 in the Middle Zone, and from November 27 through November 30 and December 7 through January 16 in the South Zone.

(13) In *Missouri*, Canada and cackling geese and brant have an aggregate daily bag and possession limits of three and nine, respectively.

(14) In *Ohio*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two starting November 2 in the Lake Erie Zone, November 21 in the North Zone, and December 18 in the South Zone through the remainder of the season.

(15) In *Ohio*, the daily bag limit for dark geese may include no more than one brant, and only Canada and cackling geese during the first segment (September 6 through September 14).

(16) In *Wisconsin*, the daily bag limit for scaup is two from September 27 through November 10 in the North Zone, from October 24 through December 7 in the South Zone, and from October 18 through December 1 in the Open Water Zone.

(17) In Wisconsin, Canada and cackling geese may only be hunted September 1 through 15. After September 15, the bag limit for dark geese is three and the possession is nine. The limit and possession for white-fronted geese and brant may be no more than one and three, in the aggregate with Canada and cackling geese.

## Central Flyway

### Flyway-Wide Restrictions

*Duck and Merganser Limits:* The daily bag limit is six ducks (including

mergansers), which may include no more than five mallards (two female mallards), three pintails, two canvasbacks, two redheads, one scaup,

and three wood ducks. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<i>Colorado:</i>			
Ducks and Mergansers:			
Southeast Zone .....	Oct. 28-Jan. 31 .....	6	18
Northeast Zone .....	Oct. 18-Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
Mountain/Foothills Zone .....	Dec. 11-Jan. 31 .....	6	18
Coots .....	Oct. 4-Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
Dark Geese:	Dec. 25-Jan. 31 .....	6	18
South Park Unit .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
San Luis Valley Unit .....	Oct. 4-Jan. 16 .....	5	15
North Park Unit .....	Oct. 4-Oct. 22 & .....	5	15
Rest of State in Central Flyway .....	Nov. 22-Feb. 15 .....	5	15
Light Geese:	Oct. 4-Jan. 16 .....	5	15
Statewide .....	Nov. 3-Feb. 15 .....	5	15
Statewide .....	Nov. 1–Feb. 15 .....	50	.....
<i>Kansas:</i>			
Ducks and Mergansers (1):			
High Plains .....	Oct. 11–Jan. 4 & .....	6	18
Low Plains:	Jan. 16–Jan. 25 .....	6	18
Early Zone .....	Oct. 11–Dec. 7 & .....	6	18
Late Zone .....	Dec. 20–Jan. 4 .....	6	18
Southeast Zone .....	Nov. 1–Jan. 4 & .....	6	18
Coots .....	Jan. 17–Jan. 25 .....	6	18
Dark Geese (2) .....	Nov. 8–Jan. 4 & .....	6	18
White-fronted Geese .....	Jan. 10–Jan. 25 .....	6	18
Light Geese .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Statewide .....	Nov. 1–Nov. 2 & .....	6	18
Statewide .....	Nov. 5–Feb. 15 .....	6	18
White-fronted Geese .....	Nov. 1–Jan. 4 & .....	2	6
Light Geese .....	Jan. 24–Feb. 15 .....	2	6
Statewide .....	Nov. 1–Nov. 2 & .....	50	.....
Statewide .....	Nov. 5–Feb. 15 .....	50	.....
<i>Montana:</i>			
Ducks and Mergansers (3):			
Zone 1 .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 8 .....	6	18
Zone 2 .....	Oct. 4–Oct. 12 & .....	6	18
Coots .....	Oct. 25–Jan. 20 .....	6	18
Dark Geese:	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Zone 1 .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16 .....	5	15
Zone 2 .....	Oct. 4–Oct. 12 & .....	5	15
Oct. 25–Jan. 28 .....	5	15	
Light Geese:	Same as for Dark Geese .....	20	60
Zone 1 .....	Same as for Dark Geese .....	20	60
Zone 2 .....	.....		
<i>Nebraska:</i>			
Ducks and Mergansers (4):			
High Plains Unit .....	Jan. 7–Jan. 28 .....	6	18
Zone 1 .....	Oct. 11–Dec. 23 .....	6	18
Zone 2: .....	Oct. 4–Dec. 16 .....	6	18
Zone 3: .....	Oct. 25–Jan. 6 .....	6	18
Zone 4 .....	Oct. 25–Jan. 6 .....	6	18
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Canada and Cackling Geese:			
Niobrara Unit .....	Oct. 28–Feb. 9 .....	5	15
North Central Unit .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16 .....	5	15
Platte River Unit .....	Oct. 28–Feb. 9 .....	5	15
White-fronted Geese .....	Oct. 4–Dec. 14 & .....	2	6
Jan. 25–Feb. 9 .....	2	6	

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Light Geese .....	Oct. 4–Dec. 31 & .....	50	.....
	Jan. 25–Feb. 9 .....	50	.....
<i>New Mexico:</i>			
Ducks and Mergansers (5):			
North Zone .....	Oct. 11–Jan. 14 .....	6	18
South Zone .....	Oct. 28–Jan. 31 .....	6	18
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Dark Geese:			
Middle Rio Grande Unit .....	Dec. 19–Jan. 31 .....	2	2
Rest of State .....	Oct. 17–Jan. 31 .....	5	15
Light Geese .....	Oct. 17–Jan. 31 .....	50	.....
<i>North Dakota:</i>			
Ducks and Mergansers (3):			
High Plains .....	Sept. 27–Dec. 7 & .....	6	18
Low Plains .....	Dec. 13–Jan. 4 .....	6	18
Coots .....	Sept. 27–Dec. 7 .....	6	18
Canada and Cackling Geese and Brant (6):	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Missouri River Zone .....	Sept. 27–Jan. 2 .....	5	15
Western ND Zone .....	Sept. 27–Dec. 25 .....	8	24
Rest of State .....	Sept. 27–Dec. 20 .....	8	24
White-fronted Geese .....	Sept. 27–Dec. 7 .....	3	9
Light Geese .....	Sept. 27–Jan. 4 .....	50	.....
<i>Oklahoma:</i>			
Ducks and Mergansers:			
High Plains .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 7 .....	6	18
Low Plains:			
Zone 1 .....	Nov. 8–Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
Zone 2 .....	Dec. 6–Jan. 25 .....	6	18
Coots .....	Nov. 8–Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
Canada and Cackling Geese and Brant (2)	Dec. 6–Jan. 25 .....	6	18
White-fronted Geese .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Light Geese .....	Nov. 1–Nov. 30 & .....	8	24
	Dec. 6–Feb. 8 .....	8	24
	Nov. 1–Nov. 30 & .....	2	6
	Dec. 6–Feb. 1 .....	2	6
	Nov. 1–Nov. 30 & .....	50	.....
	Dec. 6–Feb. 8 .....	50	.....
<i>South Dakota:</i>			
Ducks and Mergansers (3)(4):			
High Plains .....	Oct. 11–Jan. 15 .....	6	18
Low Plains:			
North Zone .....	Sept. 27–Dec. 9 .....	6	18
Middle Zone .....	Sept. 27–Dec. 9 .....	6	18
South Zone .....	Oct. 25–Jan. 6 .....	6	18
Coots .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Canada and Cackling Geese:			
Unit 1 .....	Oct. 1–Dec. 16 .....	8	24
Unit 2 .....	Nov. 3–Feb. 15 .....	4	12
Unit 3 .....	Nov. 3–Feb. 15 .....	4	12
White-fronted Geese .....	Sept. 27–Dec. 9 .....	3	9
Light Geese .....	Sept. 27–Jan. 9 .....	50	.....
<i>Texas:</i>			
Ducks and Mergansers (7):			
High Plains .....	Oct. 18–Oct. 19 & .....	6	18
	Oct. 24–Jan. 25 .....	6	18
Low Plains:			
North Zone .....	Nov. 8–Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
South Zone .....	Dec. 6–Jan. 25 .....	6	18
Coots .....	Nov. 1–Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
Canada and Cackling Geese and Brant (8):	Dec. 13–Jan. 25 .....	6	18
Southeast Goose Zone .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Northeast Goose Zone .....	Nov. 1–Jan. 25 .....	5	15
West Goose Zone .....	Nov. 1–Jan. 25 .....	5	15
White-fronted Geese (8):	Nov. 1–Feb. 1 .....	5	15
Southeast Goose Zone .....	Nov. 1–Jan. 25 .....	2	6
Northeast Goose Zone .....	Nov. 1–Jan. 25 .....	2	6
West Goose Zone .....	Nov. 1–Feb. 1 .....	5	15
Light Geese:			
Southeast Goose Zone .....	Nov. 1–Feb. 15 .....	5	15

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Northeast Goose Zone .....	Nov. 1–Feb. 15 .....	5	15
West Goose Zone .....	Nov. 1–Feb. 1 .....	5	15
<i>Wyoming:</i>			
Ducks and Mergansers (3):			
Zone C1 .....	Sept. 27–Oct. 14 & .....	6	18
Zone C2 .....	Nov. 1–Jan. 18 .....	6	18
Zone C3 .....	Sept. 27–Dec. 1 & .....	6	18
Coots .....	Dec. 13–Jan. 12 .....	6	18
Dark Geese:	Same as Zone C2 .....	6	18
Zone G1A (9) .....	Same as for Ducks .....	15	45
Zone G1 .....	Sept. 27–Oct. 8 & .....	2	6
Zone G2 .....	Nov. 15–Feb. 15 .....	5	15
Zone G3 .....	Sept. 27–Oct. 5 & .....	5	15
Zone G4 .....	Nov. 1–Nov. 24 & .....	5	15
Light Geese .....	Dec. 6–Feb. 15 .....	5	15
Light Geese .....	Sept. 27–Dec. 7 & .....	5	15
Light Geese .....	Dec. 20–Jan. 21 .....	5	15
Light Geese .....	Same as Zone G2 .....	5	15
Light Geese .....	Same as Zone G1 .....	5	15
Light Geese .....	Sept. 27–Dec. 31 & .....	20	60
Light Geese .....	Feb. 7–Feb. 15 .....	20	60

(1) In Kansas, the daily bag limit may include no more than one northern pintail.

(2) In Kansas and Oklahoma, dark geese include Canada, cackling geese, brant, and all other geese except white-fronted geese and light geese.

(3) In Montana, North Dakota, and Wyoming, during the first 9 days of the duck season, and in South Dakota (Tier I license), during the first 16 days of the duck season, the daily bag and possession limit may include 2 and 6 additional blue-winged teal, respectively.

(4) In Nebraska and South Dakota, for hunters possessing a Tier II license, the daily bag limit is three ducks or mergansers of any species in the aggregate, and the possession limit is nine.

(5) In New Mexico, Mexican ducks are included in the aggregate with mallards.

(6) In North Dakota, see State regulations for additional shooting hour restrictions.

(7) In Texas, the daily bag limit is six ducks, which may include no more than five mallards (only two of which may be females), two redheads, three wood ducks, one scaup, two canvasbacks, three pintails, and one dusky duck (mottled duck, Mexican duck, black duck and their hybrids). The season for dusky ducks is closed the first five days of the season in all zones. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

(8) In Texas, in the Southeast and Northeast Zones, the daily bag limit for dark geese is five in the aggregate and may include no more than two white-fronted geese. Possession limits are three times the daily bag limits.

(9) In Wyoming, for Dark Goose Zone G1A, see State regulations for additional restrictions.

## Pacific Flyway

### Flyway-Wide Restrictions

**Duck and Merganser Limits:** The daily bag limit of seven ducks (including

mergansers) may include no more than two female mallards, three pintails, two redheads, two scaup, and two canvasbacks. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

**Coot and Gallinule Limits:** Daily bag and possession limits are in the aggregate for the two groups.

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<i>Arizona:</i>			
Ducks (1):			
North Zone:			
Scaup .....	Nov. 7–Jan. 31 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 23–Jan. 31 .....	7	21
South Zone:			
Scaup .....	Nov. 7–Jan. 31 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 23–Jan. 31 .....	7	21
Coots and Gallinules .....	Same as for Other Ducks .....	25	75
Dark Geese:			
North Zone .....	Oct. 23–Jan. 31 .....	5	15
South Zone .....	Oct. 23–Jan. 31 .....	5	15
Light Geese .....	Same as for Dark Geese .....	20	60
<i>California:</i>			
Ducks:			
Northeastern Zone:			
Scaup .....	Oct. 4–Nov. 30 & .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Dec. 18–Jan. 14 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 14 .....	7	21
Colorado River Zone:			
Scaup .....	Nov. 7–Jan. 31 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 23–Jan. 31 .....	7	21
Southern Zone:			

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Scaup .....	Nov. 4–Jan. 28 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 18–Jan. 28 .....	7	21
Southern San Joaquin Valley Zone:			
Scaup .....	Nov. 4–Jan. 28 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 18–Jan. 28 .....	7	21
Balance of State Zone:			
Scaup .....	Nov. 4–Jan. 28 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 18–Jan. 28 .....	7	21
Coots and Gallinule .....	Same as for Other Ducks .....	25	75
Canada and Cackling Geese (2)(3):			
Northeastern Zone (4) .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 11 .....	10	30
Klamath Basin Special Management Area .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 11 .....	10	30
Colorado River Zone .....	Oct. 23–Jan. 31 .....	5	15
Southern Zone .....	Oct. 18–Jan. 28 .....	3	9
Balance of State Zone .....	Sept. 27–Sept. 29 & .....	10	30
	Oct. 18–Jan. 25 & .....	10	30
	Feb. 14–Feb. 15 .....	10	30
	Oct. 4–Dec. 20 & .....	10	30
	Feb. 12–Mar. 10 .....	10	30
White-fronted Geese (2):			
Northeastern Zone .....	Oct. 4–Nov. 30 & .....	10	30
	Jan. 2–Jan. 14 & .....	10	30
	Feb. 5–Mar. 10 .....	10	30
Klamath Basin Special Management Area .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16 .....	10	30
Colorado River Zone .....	Oct. 23–Jan. 31 .....	5	15
Southern Zone .....	Oct. 18–Jan. 28 .....	3	9
Balance of State Zone .....	Oct. 18–Jan. 25 & .....	10	30
	Feb. 14–Feb. 18 .....	10	30
	Oct. 18–Dec. 21 .....	3	9
Light Geese:			
Northeastern Zone .....	Oct. 4–Nov. 30 & .....	20	60
	Jan. 2–Jan. 14 & .....	20	60
	Feb. 5–Mar. 10 .....	20	60
Klamath Basin Special Management Area .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16 .....	20	60
Colorado River Zone .....	Oct. 23–Jan. 31 .....	20	60
Southern Zone .....	Oct. 18–Jan. 28 .....	20	60
Imperial County Special Management Area .....	Nov. 1–Jan. 28 & .....	20	60
	Jan. 31–Feb. 6 & .....	20	60
	Feb. 12–Feb. 20 .....	20	60
	Oct. 18–Jan. 25 & .....	20	60
	Feb. 14–Feb. 18 .....	20	60
Brant:			
Northern Zone .....	Nov. 29–Dec. 14 .....	2	6
Balance of State Zone .....	Nov. 30–Dec. 15 .....	2	6
Colorado:			
Ducks:			
East Zone:			
Scaup .....	Oct. 4–Dec. 28 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16 .....	7	21
West Zone:			
Scaup .....	Oct. 4–Oct. 21 & .....	2	6
	Nov. 6–Jan. 12 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 4–Oct. 21 & .....	7	21
	Nov. 6–Jan. 31 .....	7	21
Coots .....	Same as for Other Ducks .....	25	75
Dark Geese:			
East Zone .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 7 .....	5	15
West Zone .....	Oct. 4–Oct. 12 & .....	5	15
	Nov. 6–Jan. 31 .....	5	15
	Same as for Dark Geese .....	10	30
Light Geese			
Idaho:			
Ducks:			
Zone 1:			
Scaup .....	Oct. 4–Dec. 28 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16 .....	7	21
Zone 2:			
Scaup .....	Oct. 23–Jan. 16 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16 .....	7	21
Zone 3:			
Scaup .....	Nov. 7–Jan. 31 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 19–Jan. 31 .....	7	21
Zone 4:			

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Scaup .....	Oct. 4–Dec. 28 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16 .....	7	21
Coots .....	Same as for Other Ducks .....	25	75
Canada and Cackling Geese, and Brant (5):			
Zone 1 .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16 .....	5	15
Zone 2 .....	Nov. 3–Feb. 15 .....	5	15
Zone 3 .....	Oct. 19–Jan. 31 .....	5	15
Zone 4 .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 1 .....	5	15
Zone 5 .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16 .....	5	15
Zone 6 .....	Nov. 3–Feb. 15 .....	5	15
White-fronted Geese:			
Zone 1 .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16 .....	10	30
Zone 2 .....	Oct. 19–Jan. 31 .....	10	30
Zone 3 .....	Nov. 3–Feb. 15 .....	10	30
Zone 4 .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16 .....	10	30
Zone 5 .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16 .....	10	30
Light Geese:			
Zone 1 .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16 .....	20	60
Zone 2 .....	Oct. 4–Dec. 24 & .....	20	60
Zone 3 .....	Feb. 16–Mar. 10 .....	20	60
Zone 4 .....	Oct. 19–Dec. 24 & .....	20	60
Zone 5 .....	Feb. 1–Mar. 10 .....	20	60
Zone 6 .....	Oct. 19–Jan. 31 .....	20	60
Zone 5 .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16 .....	20	60
Zone 6 .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16 .....	20	60
<i>Montana:</i>			
Ducks:			
Scaup .....	Oct. 4–Dec. 28 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 16 .....	7	21
Coots .....	Same as for Other Ducks .....	25	25
Dark Geese (6)	Oct. 4–Jan. 16 .....	5	15
Light Geese (6)	Same as for Dark Geese .....	20	60
<i>Nevada:</i>			
Ducks:			
Northeast Zone:			
Scaup .....	Sept. 27–Dec. 2 & .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Dec. 13–Dec. 31 .....	2	6
Northwest Zone:			
Scaup .....	Sept. 27–Dec. 2 & .....	7	21
Other Ducks .....	Dec. 13–Jan. 19 .....	7	21
South Zone:			
Scaup .....	Oct. 31–Jan. 4 & .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Jan. 7–Jan. 25 .....	2	6
	Oct. 11–Jan. 4 & .....	7	21
	Jan. 7–Jan. 25 .....	7	21
Moapa Valley Special Management Area (7)			
Scaup .....	Nov. 1–Jan. 25 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 25–Jan. 25 .....	7	21
Coots and Gallinule .....	Same as for Other Ducks .....	25	75
Canada and Cackling Geese, and Brant (5):			
Northeast Zone .....	Sept. 27–Dec. 2 & .....	5	15
Northwest Zone .....	Dec. 13–Jan. 19 .....	5	15
South Zone .....	Oct. 11–Jan. 4 & .....	5	15
	Jan. 7–Jan. 25 .....	5	15
	Oct. 11–Oct. 19 & .....	5	15
	Oct. 22–Jan. 25 .....	5	15
	Oct. 25–Jan. 25 .....	5	15
Moapa Valley Special Management Area (7)			
White-fronted Geese:			
Northeast Zone .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese, and Brant.	10	30
Northwest Zone .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese, and Brant.	10	30
South Zone .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese, and Brant.	10	30
Moapa Valley Special Management Area (7)			
Light Geese:			
Northeast Zone (8) .....	Oct. 11–Dec. 2 & .....	20	60
	Dec. 13–Jan. 19 & .....	20	60

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Northwest Zone (9) .....	Feb. 23–Mar. 8 .....	20	60
	Oct. 25–Jan. 4 & .....	20	60
	Jan. 7–Jan. 25 & .....	20	60
	Feb. 23–Mar. 8 .....	20	60
South Zone .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 19 & .....	20	60
	Oct. 22–Jan. 25 .....	20	60
	Oct. 25–Jan. 25 .....	20	60
Moapa Valley Special Management Area (7)			
<i>New Mexico:</i>			
Ducks:			
Scaup .....	Oct. 19–Jan. 12 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 19–Jan. 31 .....	7	21
Coots and Gallinules .....	Same as for Other Ducks .....	25	75
Canada and Cackling Geese, and Brant (5):			
North Zone .....	Sept. 27–Oct. 12 & .....	5	15
South Zone .....	Nov. 2–Jan. 31 .....	5	15
Oct. 17–Jan. 31 .....	5	15	
White-fronted Geese:			
North Zone .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese, and Brant.	10	30
South Zone .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese, and Brant.	10	30
Light Geese:			
North Zone .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese, and Brant.	20	60
South Zone .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese, and Brant.	20	60
<i>Oregon:</i>			
Ducks (10):			
Zone 1:			
Columbia Basin Unit and Rest of Zone 1:			
Scaup .....	Nov. 1–Jan. 25 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 26 & .....	7	21
	Oct. 30–Jan. 25 .....	7	21
Zone 2:			
Scaup .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 30 & .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Dec. 4–Jan. 7 .....	2	6
	Oct. 11–Nov. 30 & .....	7	21
	Dec. 4–Jan. 25 .....	7	21
Coots .....	Same as for Other Ducks .....	25	75
Canada and Cackling Geese:			
Northwest Permit Zone (11)(12) .....	Oct. 18–Oct. 26 & .....	2	6
	Nov. 22–Jan. 9 & .....	2	6
	Jan. 31–Feb. 15 .....	2	6
Southwest Zone .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 26 & .....	4	12
	Nov. 4–Jan. 25 .....	4	12
South Coast Zone .....	Oct. 4–Dec. 7 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 20–Jan. 9 & .....	6	18
	Feb. 21–Mar. 10 .....	6	18
Eastern Zone .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 30 & .....	4	12
	Dec. 9–Jan. 25 .....	4	12
Mid-Columbia Zone .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 26 & .....	4	12
	Nov. 4–Jan. 25 .....	4	12
White-fronted Geese:			
Northwest Permit Zone (11) .....	Oct. 18–Oct. 26 & .....	10	30
	Nov. 8–Jan. 25 & .....	10	30
	Jan. 31–Feb. 15 .....	10	30
Southwest Zone .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese .....	10	30
South Coast Zone .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese .....	10	30
Eastern Zone (13) .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 30 & .....	10	30
	Jan. 16–Mar. 10 .....	10	30
Mid-Columbia Zone .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 26 & .....	10	30
	Nov. 4–Jan. 8 & .....	10	30
	Jan. 31–Feb. 22 .....	10	30
Light Geese:			
Northwest Permit Zone (11) .....	Same as for White-fronted Geese .....	20	60
Southwest Zone .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese .....	20	60
South Coast Zone .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese .....	20	60
Eastern Zone .....	Same as for White-fronted Geese .....	20	60
Mid-Columbia Zone .....	Same as for White-fronted Geese .....	20	60
Brant	Nov. 29–Dec. 14 .....	2	6
<i>Utah:</i>			
Ducks:			

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Northern Zone:			
Scaup .....	Oct. 4–Dec. 28 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 17 .....	7	21
Southern Zone:			
Scaup .....	Oct. 31–Jan. 24 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 11–Jan. 24 .....	7	21
Coots .....	Same as for Other Ducks .....	25	75
Canada and Cackling Geese, and Brant (5):			
East Box Elder County Zone .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 17 .....	5	15
Wasatch Front Zone .....	Oct. 4–Oct. 11 & .....	5	15
Northern Zone .....	Nov. 10–Feb. 15 .....	5	15
Northern Zone .....	Oct. 4–Oct. 11 & .....	5	15
Oct. 27–Jan. 31 .....	Oct. 27–Jan. 31 .....	5	15
Oct. 11–Jan. 24 .....	Oct. 11–Jan. 24 .....	5	15
White-fronted Geese:			
East Box Elder County Zone .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese, and Brant.	10	30
Wasatch Front Zone .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese, and Brant.	10	30
Northern Zone .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese, and Brant.	10	30
Southern Zone .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese, and Brant.	10	30
Light Geese			
Southern Zone .....	Oct. 25–Dec. 15 & .....	20	60
	Jan. 15–Mar. 10 .....	20	60
Rest of State .....	Oct. 15–Dec. 22 & .....	20	60
	Feb. 2–Mar. 10 .....	20	60
Washington:			
Ducks (14):			
East and West Zones (15):			
Scaup .....	Nov. 1–Jan. 25 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Oct. 11–Oct 19 & .....	7	21
Coots .....	Oct. 22–Jan. 25 .....	7	21
Same as for Other Ducks .....	Same as for Other Ducks .....	25	75
Canada and Cackling Geese:			
Area 1 (16) .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 30 & .....	3	9
	Dec. 13–Jan. 25 .....	3	9
Area 2 Inland (17)(18) .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 26 & .....	2	6
	Nov. 26–Jan. 11 & .....	2	6
Area 2 Coast (17)(18) .....	Feb. 7–Feb. 15 .....	2	6
	Oct. 11–Nov. 30 & .....	2	6
Area 3 (16) .....	Dec. 20–Jan. 11 .....	2	6
	Oct. 11–Oct. 19 & .....	3	9
Area 4 (16) .....	Nov. 1–Jan. 25 .....	3	9
	Oct. 11–Oct. 26 & .....	3	9
Area 5 (16) .....	Oct. 29 only & .....	3	9
	Nov. 1–Jan. 25 .....	3	9
Area 5 (16) .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 27 & .....	3	9
	Nov. 1–Jan. 25 .....	3	9
White-fronted Geese:			
Area 1 (16) .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese .....	10	30
Area 2 Inland (17) .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese .....	10	30
Area 2 Coast (17) .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese .....	10	30
Area 3 (16) .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese .....	10	30
Area 4 (16) .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese .....	10	30
Area 5 (16) .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese .....	10	30
Light Geese (19):			
Area 1 (16) .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 30 & .....	6	18
	Dec. 13–Jan. 25 & .....	6	18
	Feb. 7–Feb. 15 .....	10	30
Area 2 Inland (17) .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese .....	10	30
Area 2 Coast (17) .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese .....	10	30
Area 3 (16) .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese .....	10	30
Area 4 (16) .....	Oct. 11–Nov. 30 & .....	10	30
	Dec. 20–Jan. 25 & .....	10	30
	Feb. 21–Mar. 8 .....	20	60
Area 5 (16) .....	Same as for Canada and Cackling Geese .....	10	30
Brant (20):			
Coastal Zone .....	Jan. 10–Jan. 25 .....	2	6
Puget Sound Zone .....	Jan. 10–Jan. 25 .....	2	6
Wyoming:			

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Ducks:			
Snake River and Balance of State Zones:			
Scaup .....	Sept. 27–Dec. 21 .....	2	6
Other Ducks .....	Sept. 27–Jan. 9 .....	7	21
Coots .....	Same as for Other Ducks .....	15	45
Dark Geese .....	Sept. 27–Jan. 1 .....	5	15
Light Geese .....	Sept. 27–Jan. 1 .....	10	30

(1) In *Arizona*, the daily bag limit may include no more than either two female mallards or two Mexican ducks, or one of each; and no more than six female mallards and Mexican ducks, in the aggregate, may be in possession. For black-bellied whistling-ducks, the daily bag limit is one and the possession limit is three.

(2) In *California*, the daily bag and possession limits for Canada geese, cackling geese, and white-fronted geese are in the aggregate.

(3) In *California*, small Canada geese are cackling and Aleutian cackling geese, and large Canada geese are western and lesser Canada geese.

(4) In *California*, in the Northeastern Zone, the daily bag limit may include no more than two large Canada geese.

(5) In *Idaho*, *Nevada*, *New Mexico*, and *Utah*, the daily bag and possession limits for Canada and cackling geese and brant are in the aggregate.

(6) In *Montana*, check State regulations for special seasons and exceptions.

(7) In *Nevada*, youth 17 years of age or younger are allowed to hunt on October 18 on the Moapa Valley portion of Overton Wildlife Management Area. Youth must be accompanied by an adult who is 18 years of age or older.

(8) In *Nevada*, in the Northeast Zone, there is no open season on light geese in Ruby Valley within Elko and White Pine Counties.

(9) In *Nevada*, in the Northwest Zone, the season is closed in Mason Valley and Scripps Wildlife Management Areas and Washoe Lake State Park from February 23 to March 8.

(10) In *Oregon*, the daily bag limit may include no more than one harlequin duck.

(11) In *Oregon*, in the Northwest Permit Zone, see State regulations for specific dates, times, and conditions of permit hunts and closures.

(12) In *Oregon*, in the Northwest Permit Zone, the season for dusky Canada geese is closed.

(13) In *Oregon*, in Lake County, the daily bag and possession limits for white-fronted geese are one and three, respectively.

(14) In *Washington*, the hunting of harlequin ducks is by State-issued permit only. See State regulations for additional information.

(15) In *Washington*, the daily bag limit in the West Zone may include no more than three scoters, two long-tailed ducks, and three goldeneyes, with the possession limit three times the daily bag limit.

(16) In *Washington*, in Areas 1, 3, and 5, hunting is allowed each day. In Area 4, hunting is allowed only on Saturdays, Sundays, Wednesdays, and certain holidays, except hunting is allowed each day only for light geese during the February and March portion of the season. See State regulations for details, including shooting hours.

(17) In *Washington*, in Areas 2 Inland and 2 Coast, see State regulations for specific dates, times, and conditions of permit hunts and closures.

(18) In *Washington*, in Areas 2 Inland and 2 Coast, the season for dusky Canada geese is closed.

(19) In *Washington*, the daily bag limit for light geese is 10 on or before January 30.

(20) In *Washington*, brant may be hunted in Clallam, Pacific, Skagit, and Whatcom Counties only; see State regulations for specific dates.

**(e) Youth and Veteran–Active Military Personnel Waterfowl Hunting Days.**

The following seasons are open only to youth and veteran–active military personnel, except where noted. Youth must be accompanied into the field by an adult 18 years of age or older. This adult cannot duck hunt but may participate in other open seasons.

**Limits:** Bag limits may include ducks, geese, swans, mergansers, coots, and gallinules. The bag and possession limits are the same as those allowed in the regular season except in States that are allowed a daily bag limit of one or

two scaup during different portions of the season, in which case the daily bag limit is two scaup per day and the possession limit is four scaup. Flyway species and area restrictions remain in effect.

**Definitions**

**Youth:** States may use their established definition of age for youth hunters. However, youth hunters may not be older than 17 years of age. Youth hunters 16 years of age and older must possess a Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp (also

known as Federal Duck Stamp). Swans may be taken only by participants possessing applicable swan permits.

**Veteran–Active Military Personnel:** Veterans (as defined in section 101 of title 38, U.S. Code) and members of the Armed Forces on active duty, including members of the National Guard and Reserves on active duty (other than for training), may participate. All hunters must possess a Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp (also known as Federal Duck Stamp). Swans may be taken only by participants possessing applicable swan permits.

Area	Species	Season dates
<b>ATLANTIC FLYWAY</b>		
Connecticut (1) .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, geese, and brant .....	Oct. 4 & Nov. 1.
Delaware (1)(2)(3) .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, gallinules, geese, brant, and tundra swans.	Oct. 25 & Feb. 7.
Florida .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, gallinules, Canada geese, and light geese.	
Youth .....	.....	Nov. 15 & Feb. 7.
Veteran–Active Military Personnel .....	.....	Jan. 31 & Feb. 1.
Georgia .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, gallinules, dark geese, and brant .....	Nov. 15 & Nov. 16.
Maine (1) .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, geese, and brant.	
North Zone .....	.....	Sept. 20 & Dec. 13.
South Zone .....	.....	Sept. 20 & Oct. 18.
Coastal Zone .....	.....	Sept. 27 & Oct. 18.
Maryland (4)(5) .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, geese, brant, and light geese .....	Nov. 1 & Feb. 7.

Area	Species	Season dates
<i>Massachusetts</i> .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, Canada and cackling geese, and light geese.	Sept. 20 & Oct. 4.
<i>New Hampshire</i> .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, Canada and cackling geese, and brant.	
Youth .....		Sept. 27 & Sept. 28.
Veteran–Active Military Personnel .....		Jan. 24 & Jan. 25.
<i>New Jersey</i> .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, gallinules, geese, and brant.	
Youth:		
North Zone .....		Oct. 11 & Jan. 31.
South Zone .....		Oct. 11 & Jan. 31.
Coastal Zone .....		Nov. 15 & Jan. 31.
Veteran–Active Military Personnel .....		Nov. 8 & Jan. 31.
<i>New York</i> .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, dark geese, and brant.	
Youth:		
Long Island Zone .....		Nov. 8 & Nov. 9.
Lake Champlain Zone .....		Sept. 27 & Sept. 28.
Northeastern Zone .....		Sept. 27 & Sept. 28.
Southeastern Zone .....		Sept. 27 & Sept. 28.
Western Zone .....		Sept. 27 & Sept. 28.
Veteran–Active Military Personnel:		
Long Island Zone .....		Nov. 8 & Nov. 9.
Northeastern Zone .....		Sept. 27 & Sept. 28.
Southeastern Zone .....		Sept. 27 & Sept. 28.
Western Zone .....		Nov. 8 & Nov. 9.
<i>North Carolina</i> (3)(6) .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, geese, brant, and tundra swans .....	Dec. 6 & Feb. 7.
<i>Pennsylvania</i> (7) .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, gallinules, dark geese, and brant.	
Youth:		
North Zone .....		Sept. 20 & Nov. 1.
South Zone .....		Sept. 20 & Nov. 8.
Northwest Zone .....		Sept. 20 & Sept. 27.
Lake Erie Zone .....		Sept. 20 & Oct. 25.
Veteran–Active Military Personnel:		
North Zone .....		Nov. 1 & Jan. 17.
South Zone .....		Nov. 8 & Jan. 24.
Northwest Zone .....		Sept. 27 & Jan. 17.
Lake Erie Zone .....		Oct. 25 & Jan. 17.
<i>Rhode Island</i> (1) .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, Canada and cackling geese, light geese, and brant.	Oct. 25 & Oct. 26.
<i>South Carolina</i> .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, gallinules, and geese .....	Feb. 7 & Feb. 14.
<i>Vermont</i> (1) .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, geese, and brant .....	Sept. 27 & Sept. 28.
<i>Virginia</i> (3) .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, dark geese, and tundra swans .....	Oct. 25 & Feb. 7.
<i>West Virginia</i> (1) .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, gallinules, geese, and brant .....	Sept. 20 & Nov. 1.

## MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY

<i>Alabama</i> .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, and gallinules .....	Nov. 22 & Feb. 7.
<i>Arkansas</i> .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, and gallinules .....	Feb. 7 & 8.
<i>Illinois</i> (1) .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots.	
North Zone .....		Oct. 11 & Oct. 12.
Central Zone .....		Oct. 18 & Oct. 19.
South Central Zone .....		Nov. 8 & Nov. 9.
South Zone .....		Nov. 15 & Nov. 16.
<i>Indiana</i> .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots.	
North Zone .....		Oct. 11 & Oct. 12.
Central Zone .....		Oct. 25 & Oct. 26.
South Zone .....		Nov. 1 & Nov. 2.
<i>Iowa</i> (1) .....	Ducks, mergansers, and coots.	
North Zone .....		Sept. 20 & Sept. 21.
Central Zone .....		Sept. 27 & Sept. 28.
South Zone .....		Oct. 4 & Oct. 5.
<i>Kentucky</i> .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, and gallinules.	
Youth .....		Nov. 22 & Feb. 14.
Veteran–Active Military Personnel .....		Nov. 23 & Feb. 8.
<i>Louisiana</i> .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, and gallinules.	
Youth:		
East Zone .....		Nov. 15 & Nov. 16.
West Zone .....		Nov. 8 & Nov. 9.
Veteran–Active Military Personnel:		
East Zone .....		Nov. 15 & Nov. 16.
West Zone .....		Jan. 31 & Feb. 1.
<i>Michigan</i> .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, and gallinules .....	Sept. 20 & Sept. 21.
<i>Minnesota</i> (1) .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, and gallinules .....	Sept. 13 & Sept. 14.
<i>Mississippi</i> .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, and gallinules .....	Feb. 7 & Feb. 8.
<i>Missouri</i> (1) .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots.	

Area	Species	Season dates
North Zone .....	.....	Oct. 25 & Oct. 26.
Middle Zone .....	.....	Oct. 25 & Oct. 26.
South Zone .....	.....	Nov. 22 & Nov. 23.
Ohio .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, and gallinules .....	Oct. 4 & Oct. 5.
Tennessee:		
Youth .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, and gallinules .....	Feb. 7 & Feb. 14.
Veteran–Active Military Personnel .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots .....	Feb. 1 & Feb. 8.
Wisconsin (1) .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, and gallinules .....	Sept. 20 & Sept. 21.

**CENTRAL FLYWAY**

Colorado .....	Ducks, dark geese, mergansers, and coots.	Sept. 27 & Sept. 28.
Mountain/Foothills Zone .....	.....	Oct. 11 & Oct. 12.
Northeast Zone .....	.....	Oct. 18 & Oct. 19.
Southeast Zone .....	.....	
Kansas (8) .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots.	Oct. 4 & Oct. 5.
High Plains .....	.....	Sept. 27 & Sept. 28.
Low Plains:		
Early Zone .....	.....	Oct. 18 & Oct. 19.
Late Zone .....	.....	Oct. 25 & Oct. 26.
Southeast Zone .....	.....	Sept. 27 & Sept. 28.
Montana (1) .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots .....	
Nebraska (9) .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots.	Oct. 4 & Oct. 5.
Zone 1 .....	.....	Sept. 27 & Sept. 28.
Zone 2 .....	.....	Oct. 18 & Oct. 19.
Zone 3 .....	.....	Oct. 18 & Oct. 19.
Zone 4 .....	.....	Oct. 18 & Oct. 19.
New Mexico (1) .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, and gallinules.	Oct. 4 & Oct. 5.
North Zone .....	.....	Oct. 25 & Oct. 26.
South Zone .....	.....	Sept. 20 & Sept. 21.
North Dakota .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots .....	
Oklahoma .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots.	Sept. 27 & Jan. 31.
High Plains .....	.....	
Low Plains:		
Zone 1 .....	.....	Nov. 1 & Jan. 31.
Zone 2 .....	.....	Nov. 1 & Jan. 31.
South Dakota (1)(9) .....	Ducks, Canada and cackling geese, mergansers, and coots .....	Sept. 13 & Sept. 14.
Texas .....	Ducks, dark geese, mergansers, coots, and gallinules.	Oct. 11 & Oct. 12.
High Plains .....	.....	
Low Plains:		
North Zone .....	.....	Nov. 1 & Nov. 2.
South Zone .....	.....	Oct. 25 & Oct. 26.
Wyoming .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots .....	Sept. 20 & Sept. 21.

**PACIFIC FLYWAY**

Arizona (1) .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, and gallinules .....	Feb. 7 & Feb. 8.
California		
Youth .....	Ducks, geese, brant, mergansers, coots, and gallinules.	Sept. 20 & Sept. 21.
Northeastern Zone .....	.....	Feb. 7 & Feb. 8.
Colorado River Zone .....	.....	Feb. 7 & Feb. 8.
Southern Zone .....	.....	Feb. 7 & Feb. 8.
Southern San Joaquin Valley Zone .....	.....	Feb. 7 & Feb. 8.
Balance of State Zone .....	.....	Feb. 7 & Feb. 8.
Veteran–Active Military Personnel .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, and gallinules.	Jan. 17 & Jan. 18.
Northeastern Zone .....	.....	Jan. 31 & Feb. 1.
Southern Zone .....	.....	Jan. 31 & Feb. 1.
Southern San Joaquin Valley Zone .....	.....	Jan. 31 & Feb. 1.
Balance of State Zone .....	.....	Jan. 31 & Feb. 1.
Colorado .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots.	Sept. 27 & Sept. 28.
East Zone .....	.....	Oct. 25 & Oct. 26.
West Zone .....	.....	
Idaho .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots .....	Sept. 27 & Sept. 28.
Montana (1) .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots .....	Sept. 27 & Sept. 28.
Nevada (1)(3) .....	Ducks, geese, swans, mergansers, coots, and gallinules.	
Northeast Zone .....	.....	Sept. 20 & Sept. 21.
Northwest Zone .....	.....	Sept. 27 & Feb. 7.
South Zone .....	.....	Feb. 7 & Feb. 8.
New Mexico (1) .....	Ducks, mergansers, coots, and gallinules .....	Oct. 11 & Oct. 12.
Oregon		
Youth .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots.	Sept. 27 & Sept. 28.
Veteran–Active Military Personnel .....	.....	Jan. 31.
Utah (1)(3) .....	Ducks, dark geese, swans, mergansers, and coots.	Sept. 20.
Northern Zone .....	.....	

Area	Species	Season dates
Southern Zone .....	.....	Sept. 27.
Washington (10) .....	Ducks, geese, brant, mergansers, and coots.	
Youth:		
East Zone .....	.....	Sept. 27 & Jan. 31.
West Zone .....	.....	Sept. 20 & Jan. 31.
Veteran–Active Military Personnel .....	.....	Jan. 31.
Wyoming .....	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots .....	Sept. 20 & Sept. 21.

(1) The season is open to youth hunters only.  
 (2) In *Delaware*, tundra swans may be taken only on February 1.  
 (3) In *Delaware, North Carolina, Virginia, Nevada, and Utah*, the daily bag limit may not include swans except by permit.  
 (4) In *Maryland*, youth hunter(s) must be accompanied by an adult 21 years of age or older that holds a valid Maryland hunting license or is exempt from the hunting license requirements. One adult may take one or more young hunters, and that adult may call waterfowl, assist with decoys, and retrieve downed birds but may not possess a hunting weapon and may not participate in other seasons that are open on the youth waterfowl hunting days. Active military and honorably discharged veterans, of any age, that possess a valid Maryland hunting license or are exempt from the hunting license requirements may also hunt waterfowl on November 1, 2025, and February 7, 2026. Active military and honorably discharged veterans at least 21 years of age or older may possess hunting weapons and hunt while also providing assistance to eligible youth hunters.  
 (5) In *Maryland*, the bag limit for Canada and cackling geese is one in the AP Zone and 5 in the RP Zone.  
 (6) In *North Carolina*, a permit is no longer required to hunt Canada geese or white-fronted geese in the Northeast Zone.  
 (7) In *Pennsylvania*, the second youth day in each duck zone is open to youth, veterans, and active-duty military.  
 (8) In *Kansas*, youth 17 years of age and younger may participate in the youth waterfowl hunting days.  
 (9) In *Nebraska and South Dakota*, Tier II license holders may take three ducks or mergansers of any species in the aggregate, and the possession limit is nine.  
 (10) In *Washington*, the brant and light goose seasons are closed in September.

■ 7. Section 20.106 is revised 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 noted. Area descriptions were published in the August 18, 2025, **Federal Register** (90 FR 40178).

Federally authorized, State-issued permits are issued to individuals, and only the individual whose name and address appears on the permit at the time of issuance is authorized to take sandhill cranes at the level allowed by the permit, in accordance with provisions of both Federal and State regulations governing the hunting

season. The permit must be carried by the permittee when exercising its provisions and must be presented to any law enforcement officer upon request. The permit is not transferable or assignable to another individual and may not be sold, bartered, traded, or otherwise provided to another person. If the permit is altered or defaced in any way, the permit becomes invalid.

CHECK STATE REGULATIONS FOR AREA DESCRIPTIONS AND ANY ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS.

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<b>MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY</b>			
Alabama (1)(2): North Zone .....	Nov. 28–Jan. 26 .....		3 per season.
Kentucky (1)(2)	Dec. 7–Jan. 31 .....	2	3 per season.
Minnesota (1): NW Zone .....	Sept. 13–Oct. 19 .....	2	6.
Tennessee (1)(4):			
Southeast Zone .....	Dec. 3–Jan. 31 .....	2	per season.
Rest of State .....	Dec. 3–Jan. 31 .....	2	per season.
<b>CENTRAL FLYWAY</b>			
Colorado (1) .....	Oct. 4–Nov. 30 .....	3	9.
Kansas (1)(2)(3): West Zone .....	Oct. 18–Dec. 14 .....	3	9.
Central Zone .....	Nov. 5–Jan. 1 .....	3	9.
Montana:			
Regular Season Area (1) .....	Oct. 4–Nov. 30 .....	3	9.
Special Season Area (4) .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 30 .....		2 per season.
New Mexico:			
Regular Season Area (1) .....	Oct. 25–Jan. 22 .....	3	6.
Middle Rio Grande Valley Area (4)(5) .....	Nov. 15–Nov. 16 & .....	3	6 per season.

Area	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
	Nov. 22 & .....	3 per season.	
	Nov. 29–Nov. 30 & .....	3	6 per season.
	Dec. 13–Dec. 14 & .....	3	6 per season.
	Jan. 3–Jan. 4 & .....	3	6 per season.
	Jan. 10–Jan. 11 .....	3	6 per season.
	Nov. 1–Nov. 9 & .....	3	6.
	Jan. 3–Jan. 4 .....	3	6 per season.
Southwest Area (4) .....	Nov. 1–Nov. 9 .....	3	6.
Estancia Valley (4)(6) .....			
North Dakota (1):			
Area 1 .....	Sept. 20–Nov. 16 .....	3	9.
Area 2 .....	Sept. 20–Nov. 16 .....	2	6.
Oklahoma (1) .....	Oct. 18–Jan. 18 .....	3	9.
South Dakota (1) .....	Sept. 27–Nov. 23 .....	3	9.
Texas (1):			
Zone A .....	Oct. 25–Jan. 25 .....	3	9.
Zone B .....	Nov. 21–Jan. 25 .....	3	9.
Zone C .....	Dec. 13–Jan. 18 .....	2	6.
Wyoming:			
Regular Season (Area 7) (1) .....	Sept. 6–Nov. 2 .....	3	9.
Riverton-Boysen Unit (Area 4) (4) .....	Sept. 27–Oct. 19 .....	1 per season.	
Big Horn, Hot Springs, Park, and Washakie Counties (Area 6) (4).	Sept. 13–Oct. 5 .....	1 per season.	
Johnson, Natrona, and Sheridan Counties (Area 8) (4) ..	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 .....	1 per season.	

**PACIFIC FLYWAY**

Arizona (4):			
Zone 1 (7) .....	Nov. 14–Dec. 21 & .....	3 per season.	
Zone 2 (8) .....	Jan. 10–Jan. 26 .....	3 per season.	
Zone 3 (9) .....	Nov. 21–Dec. 14 .....	3 per season.	
Nov. 21–Dec. 14 .....	Nov. 21–Dec. 14 .....	3 per season.	
Idaho (4):			
Areas 1, 3, 4, 5, & 6 .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 .....	2 per season.	
Area 2 .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 .....	2 per season.	
Montana (4):			
Zone 1 .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 30 .....	1 per season.	
Zones 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 30 .....	2 per season.	
Utah (4):			
Cache County .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 15 .....	1 per season.	
East Box Elder County .....	Sept. 6–Nov. 4 .....	1 per season.	
Rich County .....	Sept. 6–Sept. 15 .....	1 per season.	
Uintah Basin Zone .....	Sept. 27–Nov. 25 .....	1 per season.	
Wyoming (4):			
Areas 1, 2, & 5 .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 .....	1 per season.	
Area 3 .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 8 .....	1 per season.	

(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 Program (HIP) certification for game bird hunting in their possession while hunting.

(2) In Alabama, Kansas, and Kentucky, shooting hours are from sunrise to sunset.

(3) In Kansas, each person desiring to hunt sandhill cranes is required to pass an annual, online sandhill crane identification examination.

(4) Hunting is by State permit only. See State regulations for further information.

(5) In New Mexico, in the Middle Rio Grande Valley Area (Bernardo and Casa Colorado Wildlife Management Areas) and Southwest Area, the season is only open for youth hunters on November 18. See State regulations for further details.

(6) In New Mexico, in the Estancia Valley Area, the season will be closed to crane hunting on November 1.

(7) In Arizona, in Zone 1, season dates are November 14 to November 16, November 21 to November 23, November 25 to November 27, November 29 to December 1, December 6 to December 8, December 11 to December 13, December 15 to December 17, December 19 to December 21, January 10 to January 12, January 16 to January 18, January 20 to January 22, and January 24 to January 26. November 14 to November 16 is restricted to archery hunters only, and December 6 to December 8 is restricted to youth hunters only.

(8) In Arizona, in Zone 2, season dates are November 21 to November 23, November 27 to November 29, December 5 to December 7, and December 12 to December 14.

(9) In Arizona, in Zone 3, season dates are November 21 to November 23, November 25 to November 27, November 29 to December 1, December 3 to December 5, December 5 to December 7, December 7 to December 9, and December 12 to December 14.

■ 8. 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. Shooting and hawking hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset, except as otherwise noted. Area descriptions were published in the

August 18, 2025, **Federal Register** (90

FR 40178). Hunting is by State permit only.

Federally authorized, State-issued permits are issued to individuals, and only the individual whose name and address appears on the permit at the time of issuance is authorized to take swans at the level allowed by the permit, in accordance with provisions of both Federal and State regulations governing the hunting season. The

permit must be carried by the permittee when exercising its provisions and must be presented to any law enforcement officer upon request. The permit is not transferable or assignable to another individual and may not be sold, bartered, traded, or otherwise provided to another person. If the permit is altered or defaced in any way, the permit becomes invalid.

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

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

Area	Season dates	Limits
<b>ATLANTIC FLYWAY</b>		
<i>Delaware</i> .....	Nov. 8–Jan. 31 .....	1 tundra swan per permit.
<i>North Carolina</i> .....	Nov. 8–Jan. 31 .....	1 tundra swan per permit.
<i>Virginia</i> .....	Nov. 15–Jan. 31 .....	1 tundra swan per permit.
<b>CENTRAL FLYWAY (1)</b>		
<i>Montana (2)</i> .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 8 .....	1 swan per permit.
<i>North Dakota (1)</i> .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 4 .....	1 tundra swan per permit.
<i>South Dakota</i> .....	Oct. 4–Jan. 9 .....	1 swan per permit.
<b>PACIFIC FLYWAY (1)</b>		
<i>Idaho (2)</i> .....	Oct. 4–Dec. 1 .....	1 swan per season
<i>Montana (2)</i> .....	Oct. 11–Dec. 5 .....	1 swan per season
<i>Nevada (3)(4)</i> .....	Oct. 11–Jan. 4 & .....	1 swan per day, 2 per season
	Jan. 7–Jan. 25 .....	1 swan per day, 2 per season
<i>Utah (3)(4)</i> .....	Oct. 4–Dec. 14 .....	1 swan per season

(1) See State regulations for description of area open to swan hunting.

(2) In *Idaho* and *Montana*, all harvested swans must be reported by way of a bill measurement card within three days of harvest.

(3) In *Nevada* and *Utah*, all harvested swans and tags must be checked or registered within three days of harvest.

(4) Harvests of trumpeter swans are limited to 20 in *Utah* and 10 in *Nevada*. When it has been determined that the quota of trumpeter swans allotted to *Nevada* and *Utah* 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.

■ 9. Section 20.109 is revised 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 18, 2025, **Federal Register** (90 FR 40178).

**Limits:** The daily bag limit may include no more than three migratory game birds in the aggregate. The possession limit is three times 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.

Although many States permit falconry during the gun seasons, only extended falconry seasons are shown below. Please consult State regulations for details.

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.

Area	Extended falconry dates
<b>ATLANTIC FLYWAY</b>	
<i>Delaware:</i>	
Doves .....	Feb. 1–Feb. 17.
Rails .....	Dec. 1–Jan. 6.
Woodcock .....	Oct. 1–Oct. 29 & Feb. 6–Mar. 10.
Ducks, mergansers, and coots .....	Feb. 3–Mar. 3.
Brant .....	Feb. 1–Feb. 6 & Feb. 10–Feb. 15.
<i>Florida:</i>	
Doves .....	Feb. 1–Feb. 17.
Rails .....	Nov. 10–Dec. 16.
Woodcock .....	Nov. 24–Dec. 17 & Feb. 1–Mar. 10.
Gallinules .....	Nov. 10–Dec. 13.
Ducks, light geese, mergansers, and coots .....	Nov. 3–Nov. 12 & Feb. 2–Mar. 2.

Area	Extended falconry dates
<b>Georgia:</b> Ducks, mergansers, coots, Canada geese, light geese, gallinules, doves, and woodcock.	Dec. 1–Dec. 5.
<b>Maine:</b> Ducks, mergansers, and coots: North Zone .....	Dec. 15–Feb. 4.
South & Coastal Zones .....	Jan. 7–Feb. 27.
<b>Maryland:</b> Doves .....	Jan. 10–Jan. 29.
Rails .....	Nov. 21–Jan. 2.
Woodcock .....	Oct. 1–Oct. 24 & Jan. 31–Mar. 7.
Ducks .....	Feb. 2–Mar. 7.
Brant .....	Feb. 2–Mar. 7.
Light Geese .....	Feb. 21–Mar. 7.
<b>Massachusetts:</b> Ducks and coots: Western Zone .....	Nov. 29–Dec. 12 & Jan. 4–Feb. 11.
Central Zone .....	Nov. 29–Dec. 14 & Jan. 4–Feb. 11.
Coastal Zone .....	Oct. 19–Nov. 27 & Jan. 29–Feb. 11.
<b>New Hampshire:</b> Ducks, mergansers, and coots: Northern Zone .....	Dec. 1–Jan. 12.
Inland Zone .....	Nov. 12–Nov. 26 & Dec. 27–Jan. 23.
Coastal Zone .....	Jan. 27–Mar. 10.
<b>New Jersey:</b> Woodcock: North Zone .....	Oct. 1–Oct. 17 & Dec. 1–Jan. 31.
South Zone .....	Oct. 1–Nov. 7 & Dec. 8–Dec. 19 & Jan. 2–Jan. 31.
Ducks: North Zone .....	Jan. 23–Mar. 16.
South Zone .....	Jan. 23–Mar. 16.
Coastal Zone .....	Jan. 31–Mar. 16.
<b>New York:</b> Ducks, mergansers, and coots: Long Island Zone .....	Nov. 1–Nov. 21 & Dec. 1–Dec. 5 & Jan. 26–Feb. 13.
Northeastern Zone .....	Oct. 1–Oct. 10 & Dec. 1–Dec. 12 & Dec. 22–Jan. 13.
Southeastern Zone .....	Oct. 1–Oct. 10 & Oct. 20–Nov. 7 & Dec. 29–Jan. 13.
Western Zone .....	Oct. 1–Oct. 10 & Nov. 3–Dec. 5 & Jan. 12–Jan. 13.
<b>North Carolina:</b> Doves .....	Oct. 6–Oct. 18.
Rails and gallinules .....	Dec. 6–Jan. 10.
Woodcock .....	Dec. 1–Dec. 10 & Feb. 2–Feb. 21.
Ducks, mergansers, and coots .....	Oct. 1–Oct. 11 & Feb. 2–Feb. 7.
<b>Pennsylvania:</b> Doves .....	Nov. 29–Dec. 18.
Rails .....	Nov. 21–Jan. 2.
Woodcock and snipe .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 17 & Nov. 29–Dec. 13 & Dec. 25–Jan. 2.
Gallinules .....	Nov. 21–Dec. 31.
Ducks, mergansers, and coots: North Zone .....	Jan. 19–Mar. 10.
South Zone .....	Nov. 17–Nov. 18 & Jan. 20–Jan. 23 & Jan. 26–Mar. 10.
Northwest Zone .....	Jan. 19–Mar. 10.
Lake Erie Zone .....	Jan. 19–Mar. 10.
Canada, cackling, and white-fronted geese: AP Zone .....	Dec. 8–Dec. 19 & Jan. 20–Mar. 10.
RP Zone .....	Mar. 7–Mar. 10.
<b>South Carolina:</b> Ducks, mergansers, and coots .....	Nov. 3–Nov. 21 & Dec. 1–Dec. 11.
<b>Virginia:</b> Doves .....	Jan. 20–Jan. 31.
Rails, gallinules .....	Oct. 26–Nov. 10 & Dec. 1–Dec. 20.
Woodcock .....	Oct. 17–Nov. 10 & Dec. 1–Dec. 25 & Jan. 20–Jan. 31.
Ducks, mergansers, and coots .....	Dec. 1–Dec. 18 & Feb. 1–Feb. 8.
Brant .....	Oct. 18–Dec. 23 & Jan. 1–Jan. 9.

**MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY**

<b>Arkansas:</b> Ducks, mergansers, and coots .....	Feb. 1–Feb. 15.
<b>Illinois:</b> Doves .....	Nov. 15–Dec. 1.
Rails .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 5 & Nov. 15–Dec. 16.
Woodcock .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 17 & Dec. 2–Dec. 16.
Ducks, mergansers, and coots .....	Feb. 10–Mar. 10.

Area	Extended falconry dates
<i>Indiana:</i>	
Doves .....	Oct. 20–Oct. 31 & Dec. 31–Jan. 4.
Woodcock .....	Sept. 20–Oct. 14 & Nov. 29–Jan. 4.
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
North Zone .....	Sept. 27–Sept. 30 & Feb. 14–Mar. 10.
Central Zone .....	Oct. 25–Oct. 31 & Feb. 17–Mar. 10.
South Zone .....	Nov. 1–Nov. 7 & Feb. 17–Mar. 10.
<i>Iowa:</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots .....	Jan. 3–Feb. 7.
<i>Kentucky:</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots .....	Dec. 1–Dec. 6 & Feb. 1–Feb. 22.
<i>Louisiana:</i>	
Doves .....	Sept. 13–Sept. 28.
Rails and gallinules:	
East Zone .....	Nov. 1–Nov. 7 & Jan. 8–Jan. 31.
West Zone .....	Nov. 1–Nov. 7 & Jan. 8–Jan. 31.
Woodcock .....	Nov. 1–Dec. 17.
Ducks:	
East Zone .....	Nov. 1–Jan. 31.
West Zone .....	Nov. 1–Jan. 31.
<i>Michigan:</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, and gallinules .....	Dec. 29–Jan. 11 & Feb. 21–Mar. 10.
<i>Minnesota:</i>	
Doves .....	Nov. 30–Dec. 16.
Rails .....	Nov. 10–Dec. 16.
Woodcock .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 19 & Nov. 4–Dec. 16.
Ducks, mergansers, coots, and gallinules .....	Dec. 13–Jan. 21.
<i>Mississippi:</i>	
Doves .....	Dec. 10–Dec. 26.
Ducks, mergansers, and coots .....	Feb. 1–Mar. 8.
<i>Missouri:</i>	
Doves .....	Nov. 30–Dec. 16.
Ducks, mergansers, and coots .....	Sept. 13–Sept. 21 & Feb. 11–Mar. 10.
<i>Tennessee:</i>	
Doves .....	Sept. 29–Sept. 30 & Jan. 16–Jan. 30.
Rails .....	Nov. 10–Dec. 12.
Woodcock .....	Nov. 1–Nov. 7 & Dec. 1–Jan. 9 & Feb. 1–Feb. 15.
Snipe .....	Nov. 14–Feb. 28.
Gallinules .....	Nov. 10–Dec. 12.
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
Reelfoot Zone .....	Dec. 1–Dec. 4 & Feb. 1–Feb. 28.
Remainder of the State .....	Dec. 1–Dec. 4 & Feb. 1–Feb. 28.
<i>Wisconsin:</i>	
Rails, snipe, and gallinules:	
North Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 26 & Nov. 26–Dec. 6.
South Zone .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 3 & Oct. 13–Oct. 17.
Open Water Zone .....	Sept. 1–Oct. 15
Woodcock .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 20 & Nov. 5–Dec. 16.
Ducks, mergansers, and coots .....	Sept. 20–Sept. 21 & Jan. 9–Feb. 13.

**CENTRAL FLYWAY**

<i>Kansas:</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
Low Plains: Early Zone .....	Feb. 24–Mar. 10.
Low Plains: Late Zone .....	Feb. 24–Mar. 10.
Southeast Zone .....	Feb. 24–Mar. 10.
<i>Montana (1):</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
Zone 1 .....	Sept. 24–Oct. 3.
Zone 2 .....	Sept. 24–Oct. 3.
<i>Nebraska:</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots (2):	
Zone 1 .....	Feb. 25–Mar. 10.
Zone 2 .....	Feb. 25–Mar. 10.
Zone 3 .....	Closed.
Zone 4 .....	Feb. 25–Mar. 10.
<i>New Mexico:</i>	
Doves:	
North Zone .....	Nov. 30–Dec. 4 & Dec. 21–Jan. 1.
South Zone .....	Oct. 29–Nov. 5 & Nov. 22–Nov. 30.
Band-tailed pigeons:	
North Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 14.
South Zone .....	Oct. 1–Oct. 14.

Area	Extended falconry dates
Ducks and coots .....	Sept. 13–Sept. 21.
Sandhill cranes (3) .....	Oct. 11–Oct. 24 & Nov. 10–Dec. 30.
Gallinules .....	Nov. 22–Dec. 27.
Sora and Virginia rails .....	Nov. 22–Dec. 27.
<i>North Dakota:</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, and snipe .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 5. Sept. 8–Sept. 12.
<i>Oklahoma:</i>	
Doves .....	Feb. 18–Mar. 5.
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
Low Plains Zones 1 and 2 .....	Feb. 9–Mar. 2.
Gallinules and rails .....	Feb. 1–Mar. 9.
Woodcock .....	Dec. 16–Feb. 15.
Sandhill cranes .....	Jan. 19–Feb. 1.
<i>South Dakota:</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
High Plains .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 8.
Low Plains:	
North Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 20 & Dec. 10–Dec. 20.
Middle Zone .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 20 & Dec. 10–Dec. 20.
South Zone .....	Oct. 1–Oct. 19 & Jan. 7–Jan. 18.
<i>Texas:</i>	
Doves .....	Nov. 14–Nov. 30.
Rails, gallinules, and woodcock .....	Jan. 26–Feb. 15.
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
Low Plains—North and South Zones .....	Jan. 26–Feb. 15.
<i>Wyoming:</i>	
Doves .....	Nov. 30–Dec. 16.
Rails .....	Nov. 10–Dec. 16.
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
Zone C1 .....	Oct. 15–Oct. 22.
Zone C2 .....	Sept. 22–Sept. 26 & Dec. 2–Dec. 4.
Zone C3 .....	Same as Zone C2.

**PACIFIC FLYWAY**

<i>Arizona:</i>	
Doves .....	Sept. 16–Nov. 1.
Ducks, mergansers, coots, snipe, and gallinules .....	Feb. 1–Feb. 4.
<i>California:</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, and gallinules:	
Colorado River Zone .....	Feb. 1–Feb. 4.
<i>Idaho:</i>	
Doves .....	Jan. 23–Mar. 10.
<i>New Mexico:</i>	
Dove:	
North Zone .....	Nov. 30–Dec. 4 & Dec. 21–Jan. 1.
South Zone .....	Oct. 29–Nov. 5 & Nov. 22–Nov. 30.
<i>Oregon:</i>	
Doves:	
Zone 1 .....	Oct. 1–Nov. 14 & Dec. 15–Dec. 16.
Zone 2 .....	Oct. 31–Dec. 16.
Band-tailed pigeons (4) .....	Sept. 1–Sept. 14 & Sept. 24–Dec. 16.
<i>Utah:</i>	
Doves .....	Oct. 31–Dec. 16.
Band-tailed pigeons .....	Sept. 15–Dec. 16.
<i>Washington:</i>	
Doves .....	Oct. 31–Dec. 16.
Ducks, mergansers, coots, and dark geese:	
East Zone .....	Sept. 27 & Jan. 31.
West Zone .....	Sept. 20 & Jan. 31.
Light geese and brant. .....	Jan. 31.
<i>Wyoming:</i>	
Doves .....	Nov. 30–Dec. 16.
Sora and Virginia rails .....	Nov. 10–Dec. 16.

(1) In Montana, the limits are two daily and six in possession.

(2) In Nebraska, only the portion of Zone 2 that is considered low plains is open.

(3) In New Mexico, the limits for sandhill cranes are three daily and six in possession.

(4) In Oregon, no more than one pigeon daily in bag or possession.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration****50 CFR Part 679**

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**Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone off Alaska; Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands; Final 2025 and 2026 Harvest Specifications for Groundfish; Correction**

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Final rule; correction.

**SUMMARY:** On March 18, 2025, NMFS published the final rule to implement the 2025 and 2026 harvest specifications, apportionments, and prohibited species catch (PSC) allowances for the groundfish fishery of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands management area (BSAI). Following publication, errors were identified in table 21, which provides notice of allocations of groundfish and apportionments of PSC limits for the Community Development Quota (CDQ) groups. This rule corrects the errors in table 21.

**DATES:** Effective August 25, 2025, through 2400 hours, A.l.t., December 31, 2025.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Steve Whitney, 907-206-6783.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Background**

NMFS publishes this rule to correct errors in table 21 of the final BSAI 2025 and 2026 groundfish harvest specifications. Table 21 sets forth the allocations of groundfish and apportionments of PSC allowances for the CDQ groups. PSC allowances are apportioned to individual CDQ groups as prohibited species quota (PSQ). In 2006, Public Law 109-241 amended section 305(i)(1) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens

Act) (16 U.S.C. 1855(i)(1)) to provide for the allocation of CDQ groundfish among certain entities. The six CDQ groups receiving allocations are the Aleutian Pribilof Island Community Development Association (APICDA), Bristol Bay Economic Development Corporation (BBEDC), Central Bering Sea Fisherman's Association (CBSFA), Coastal Villages Regional Fund (CVRF), Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSEDC), and Yukon Delta Fisheries Development Association (YDFDA). NMFS published the CDQ groundfish and PSQ percentages on August 31, 2006 (71 FR 51804). The groundfish and PSQ amounts for each CDQ group are based on those percentages as applied to the total 2025 CDQ amounts in the final groundfish harvest specifications, which were published on March 18, 2025 (90 FR 12640). Those amounts for each CDQ group for 2025 are shown in table 21.

**Need for Correction**

Multiple errors were discovered in the percentages of flatfish allocations between the six CDQ groups. As a result, the final rule specified CDQ allocations that are inconsistent with statute and regulation. This correction replaces table 21 with a correct table 21 that contains the correct groundfish and PSQ amounts for each CDQ group.

**Classification**

NMFS issues this final rule pursuant to section 305(d) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act because through previous actions, the Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for Groundfish of the BSAI and implementing regulations authorize NMFS to take this action pursuant to section 305(d) (see 50 CFR part 679). The NMFS Assistant Administrator has determined that this final rule is consistent with the FMP, the Magnuson-Stevens Act, and other applicable laws.

This action is authorized under 50 CFR 679.20 and is exempt from review under Executive Order 12866.

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), there is good cause to waive prior notice and an opportunity for public comment on this action, as notice and comment would be unnecessary and contrary to the public interest. The Magnuson-Stevens Act specifies how to set the percentage allocations of certain groundfish species among each of the

six CDQ groups. NMFS applies these statutorily-mandated percentages to the final total allowable catch for those groundfish species each year to calculate each CDQ group's allocation of groundfish species. NMFS does not have discretion to change the percentage allocations or the final allocations in the annual BSAI groundfish harvest specifications. Therefore, prior notice and an opportunity for public comment is unnecessary on this final rule to correct flatfish allocations that are inconsistent with statute and regulation. In addition, notice and comment would prevent NMFS from correcting the CDQ groundfish allocations in a timely fashion and would delay publishing the correct allocations for CDQ fisheries that are currently underway. These errors were discovered only after publication of the final BSAI 2025 and 2026 groundfish harvest specifications, and now these fisheries are currently being prosecuted. If this correction is delayed to allow for notice and comment, it would result in confusion for participants in the CDQ fisheries, given that the final rule implementing the BSAI 2025 and 2026 groundfish harvest specifications is already effective. Without this correction, participants in the CDQ fisheries may believe that there are different amounts available for harvest in 2025 than are actually available. Therefore, there is good cause to waive the requirement to provide prior notice and opportunity for public comment in order to avoid any negative consequences that could result from delaying notice of these corrections.

For the same reasons, good cause to waive the 30-day delay in the effective date of this action under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3) exists.

Because prior notice and opportunity for public comment are not required for this rule by 5 U.S.C. 553, or any other law, the analytical requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*, are inapplicable.

This rule contains no information collection requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**Correction**

In the **Federal Register** of March 18, 2025, in FR Doc. 2025-04406, on page 12659, Table 21 is corrected as follows:

**TABLE 21—2025 CDQ PROGRAM QUOTA CATEGORIES, TARGET CDQ RESERVES, PROHIBITED SPECIES QUOTA (PSQ) RESERVES, AND CDQ GROUP QUOTAS**

Species or species group	APICDA	BBEDC	CBSFA	CVRF	NSEDC	YDFDA	Total
Groundfish units are in metric tons.							
BS Pollock A season .....	8,662.5	12,993.8	3,093.8	14,850.0	13,612.5	8,662.5	61,875