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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Fish and Wildlife Service****50 CFR Part 20**[Docket No. FWS-HQ-MB-2015-0034;
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Migratory Bird Hunting; Seasons and Bag and Possession Limits for Certain Migratory Game Birds**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.**ACTION:** Final rule.

SUMMARY: This rule prescribes the hunting seasons, hours, areas, and daily bag and possession limits for migratory game birds. Taking of migratory birds is prohibited unless specifically provided for by annual regulations. This rule permits the taking of designated species during the 2016–17 season.

DATES: This rule takes effect on July 25, 2016.

ADDRESSES: You may inspect comments received on the migratory bird hunting regulations during normal business hours at the Service's office at 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, Virginia. You may obtain copies of referenced reports from the street address above, or from the Division of Migratory Bird Management's Web site at <http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/>, or at <http://www.regulations.gov> at Docket No. FWS-HQ-MB-2015-0034.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Regulations Schedule for 2016**

On August 6, 2015, we published in the **Federal Register** (80 FR 47388) a proposal to amend 50 CFR 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 §§ 20.101 through 20.107, 20.109, and 20.110 of subpart K. Major steps in the 2016–17 regulatory cycle relating to open public meetings and **Federal Register** notifications were also identified in the August 6, 2015, proposed rule.

On October 20–21, 2015, 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 2016–17 regulations for these species.

On December 11, 2015, we published in the **Federal Register** (80 FR 77088) the proposed frameworks for the 2016–17 season migratory bird hunting regulations. On March 28, 2016, we published in the **Federal Register** (81 FR 17302) final season frameworks for migratory game bird hunting regulations, from which State wildlife conservation agency officials selected season hunting dates, hours, areas, and limits for 2016–17 seasons.

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 2016–17 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 rulemaking process for the migratory game bird hunting seasons, which started with the August 6, 2015, proposed rule. As discussed elsewhere in this document, we supplemented that proposal on December 11, and published final season frameworks on March 28, 2016, that provided the season selection criteria from which the States selected these seasons. This final rule sets the migratory game bird hunting seasons based on that input from the States. We previously addressed all comments in the March 28 **Federal Register**.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

The programmatic document, “Second Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement: Issuance of Annual Regulations Permitting the Sport Hunting of Migratory Birds (EIS 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 “Duck Hunting Regulations for 2016–17,” with its corresponding January 2016, finding of no significant impact. In addition, an August 1985 environmental assessment entitled “Guidelines for Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations on Federal Indian Reservations and Ceded Lands” is available from the person indicated

under the caption **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

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 review other programs administered by him and utilize such programs in furtherance of the purposes of this Act” (and) shall “insure that any action authorized, funded, or carried out * * * is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of any endangered species or threatened species or result in the destruction or adverse modification of [critical] habitat. * * *.” Consequently, we conducted formal 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. Our biological opinions resulting from this section 7 consultation are public documents available for public inspection at the address indicated under **ADDRESSES**.

Regulatory Planning and Review (Executive Orders 12866 and 13563)

Executive Order 12866 provides that the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA) will review all significant rules. OIRA has reviewed this rule and has determined that this rule is significant because it would have an annual effect of \$100 million or more on the economy.

Executive Order 13563 reaffirms the principles of E.O. 12866 while calling for improvements in the nation's regulatory system to promote predictability, to reduce uncertainty, and to use the best, most innovative, and least burdensome tools for achieving regulatory ends. The executive order directs agencies to consider regulatory approaches that reduce burdens and maintain flexibility and freedom of choice for the public where these approaches are relevant, feasible, and consistent with regulatory objectives. E.O. 13563 emphasizes further that regulations must be based on the best available science and that the rulemaking process must allow for public participation and an open exchange of ideas. We have developed this rule in a manner consistent with these requirements.

An updated economic analysis was prepared for the 2013–14 season. This analysis was based on data from the newly released 2011 National Hunting and Fishing Survey, the most recent year for which data are available (see discussion in Regulatory Flexibility Act, below). This analysis estimated consumer surplus for three alternatives for duck hunting (estimates for other species are not quantified due to lack of data). The alternatives were: (1) Issue restrictive regulations allowing fewer days than those issued during the 2012–13 season, (2) issue moderate regulations allowing more days than those in alternative 1, and (3) issue liberal regulations identical to the regulations in the 2012–13 season. For the 2013–14 season, we chose Alternative 3, with an estimated consumer surplus across all flyways of \$317.8–\$416.8 million. For the 2016–17 season, we have also chosen alternative 3. We also chose Alternative 3 for the 2009–10, the 2010–11, the 2011–12, the 2012–13, the 2014–15, and the 2015–16 seasons. The 2013–14 analysis is part of the record for this rule and is available at <http://www.regulations.gov> at Docket No. FWS–HQ–MB–2015–0034.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

The annual migratory bird hunting regulations have a significant economic impact on substantial numbers of small entities under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*). We analyzed the economic impacts of the annual hunting regulations on small business entities in detail as part of the 1981 cost-benefit analysis. This analysis was revised annually from 1990–95. In 1995, the Service issued a Small Entity Flexibility Analysis (Analysis), which was subsequently updated in 1996, 1998, 2004, 2008, and 2013. The primary source of information about hunter expenditures for migratory game bird hunting is the National Hunting and Fishing Survey, which is conducted at 5-year intervals. The 2013 Analysis was based on the 2011 National Hunting and Fishing Survey and the U.S. Department of Commerce's County Business Patterns, from which it was estimated that migratory bird hunters would spend approximately \$1.5 billion at small businesses in 2013. Copies of the Analysis are available upon request from the Division of Migratory Bird Management (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) or from our Web site at <http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds> or at <http://www.regulations.gov> at Docket No. FWS–HQ–MB–2015–0034.

Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act

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

Paperwork Reduction Act

This final rule does not contain any new information collection that requires approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). We may not conduct or sponsor and you are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. OMB has reviewed and approved the information collection requirements associated with migratory bird surveys and assigned the following OMB control numbers:

- 1018–0019—North American Woodcock Singing Ground Survey (expires 5/31/2018).
- 1018–0023—Migratory Bird Surveys (expires 6/30/2017). Includes Migratory Bird Harvest Information Program, Migratory Bird Hunter Surveys, Sandhill Crane Survey, and Parts Collection Survey.

Unfunded Mandates Reform Act

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

Civil Justice Reform—Executive Order 12988

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

Takings Implication Assessment

In accordance with Executive Order 12630, this rule, authorized by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16 U.S.C. 703–712), does not have significant takings implications and does not affect any constitutionally protected property rights. This rule will not result in the physical occupancy of property, the physical invasion of property, or the regulatory taking of any property. In fact, this rule allows hunters to exercise otherwise unavailable privileges and,

therefore, reduces restrictions on the use of private and public property.

Energy Effects—Executive Order 13211

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

Government-to-Government Relationship With Tribes

In accordance with the President's memorandum of April 29, 1994, “Government-to-Government Relations with Native American Tribal Governments” (59 FR 22951), Executive Order 13175, and 512 DM 2, we have evaluated possible effects on Federally recognized Indian tribes and have determined that there are no effects on Indian trust resources. However, in the August 6 **Federal Register**, we solicited proposals for special migratory bird hunting regulations for certain Tribes on Federal Indian reservations, off-reservation trust lands, and ceded lands for the 2016–17 migratory bird hunting season. The resulting proposals were contained in a May 27, 2016, proposed rule (81 FR 34226). By virtue of these actions, we have consulted with affected Tribes.

Federalism Effects

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

accordance with Executive Order 13132, these regulations do not have significant federalism effects and do not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a federalism summary impact statement.

Review of Public Comments

The preliminary proposed rulemaking (August 6 **Federal Register**) opened the public comment period for 2016–17 migratory game bird hunting regulations. We previously addressed all comments in a March 28, 2016, **Federal Register** publication (81 FR 17302).

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 requirements. Thus, when the preliminary proposed rulemaking was published, we established what we believed 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 Service Regulations Committee meeting. Therefore, we

believe 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, are hereby amended as set forth below.

List of Subjects in 50 CFR Part 20

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

Dated: June 30, 2016.

Karen Hyun,

Acting Principal Assistant Deputy Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks.

For the reasons set out in the preamble, title 50, chapter I, subchapter B, part 20, subpart K of the Code of

Federal Regulations is amended as follows:

PART 20—MIGRATORY BIRD HUNTING

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

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

Note— The following annual hunting regulations provided for by §§ 20.101 through 20.106 and 20.109 of 50 CFR 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.

(a) *Puerto Rico.*

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Doves and Pigeons:			
Zenaida, white-winged, and mourning doves (1)	Sept. 3–Oct. 31	20	20
Scaly-naped pigeons	Sept. 3–Oct. 31	5	5
Ducks	Nov. 12–Dec. 19 &	6	12
	Jan. 14–Jan. 30	6	12
Common Moorhens	Nov. 12–Dec. 19 &	6	12
	Jan. 14–Jan. 30	6	12
Common Snipe	Nov. 12–Dec. 19 &	8	16
	Jan. 14–Jan. 30	8	16

(1) Not more than 10 Zenaida and 3 mourning doves in the aggregate.

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 March 28, 2016, **Federal Register** (81 FR 17302).

(b) *Virgin Islands.*

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Zenaida doves	Sept. 1–Sept. 30	10	10
Ducks	CLOSED.		

Restrictions: In the Virgin Islands, the seasons are closed for ground or quail doves, pigeons, ruddy duck, white-cheeked pintail, West Indian whistling duck, fulvous whistling duck, masked duck, and all other ducks, and purple gallinule.

Closed Areas: Ruth Cay, just south of St. Croix, is closed to the hunting of migratory game birds. All Offshore Cays under jurisdiction of the Virgin Islands Government are closed to the hunting of migratory game birds.

■ 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 March 28, 2016, **Federal Register** (81 FR 17302).

CHECK STATE REGULATIONS FOR AREA DESCRIPTIONS AND ANY ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS.

Area seasons	Dates
North Zone	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
Gulf Coast Zone	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
Southeast Zone	Sept. 16–Dec. 31.
Pribilof & Aleutian Islands Zone.	Oct. 8–Jan. 22.
Kodiak Zone	Oct. 8–Jan. 22.

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

(1) The basic duck bag limits may include no more than 2 canvasbacks daily, and may not include sea ducks. In addition to the basic duck limits, the sea duck limit is 10 daily (singly or in the aggregate), 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 and red-breasted mergansers. The season for Steller's and spectacled eiders is closed.

(2) In Units 5 and 6, the taking of Canada geese is only permitted from September 28 through December 16. In the Middleton Island portion of Unit 6, the taking of Canada geese is by special permit only. The maximum number of Canada goose permits is 10 for the season. A mandatory goose-identification class is required. Hunters must check in and out. The daily bag and possession limit is 1. The season will close if incidental harvest includes 5 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.

(3) In Units 9, 10, 17, and 18, for Canada geese, the daily bag limit is 6 and the possession limit is 18.

(4) In Units 9, 10, and 17, for white-fronted geese, the daily bag limit is 6 and the possession limit is 18.

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

(6) Light geese include snow geese and Ross's geese.

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

Falconry: The total combined bag and possession limit for migratory game birds taken with the use of a raptor under a falconry permit is 3 per day, 9 in possession, and may not exceed a more restrictive limit for any species listed in this subsection.

Special Tundra Swan Season: In Units 17, 18, 22, and 23, there will be a tundra swan season from September 1 through October 31 with a season limit of 3 tundra swans per hunter. This season is by State registration permit only; hunters will be issued 1 permit allowing the take of up to 3 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.

■ 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 March 28, 2016, **Federal Register** (81 FR 17302).

CHECK STATE REGULATIONS FOR AREA DESCRIPTIONS AND ANY ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS.

(a) *Doves.*

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

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession

EASTERN MANAGEMENT UNIT

<i>Alabama:</i>			
North Zone:			
	12 noon to sunset	15	15
	½ hour before sunrise to sunset	15	45
	Dec. 8–Jan. 15	15	45
South Zone:			

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 17 only	15	15
1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	Sept. 18–Sept. 25 &	15	45
	Oct. 8–Oct. 23 &	15	45
	Nov. 12–Jan. 15	15	45
<i>Delaware</i>	Sept. 1–Oct. 1 &	15	45
	Oct. 19–Oct. 22 &	15	45
	Nov. 21–Jan. 14	15	45
<i>Florida:</i>			
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 24–Oct. 24	15	45
1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	Nov. 12–Dec. 5 &	15	45
	Dec. 12–Jan. 15	15	45
<i>Georgia:</i>			
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 3 only	15	15
1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	Sept. 4–Sept. 18 &	15	45
	Oct. 8–Oct. 28 &	15	45
	Nov. 24–Jan. 15	15	45
<i>Illinois</i> (1)	Sept. 1–Nov. 14 &	15	45
	Dec. 26–Jan. 9	15	45
<i>Indiana</i>	Sept. 1–Oct. 16 &	15	45
	Nov. 1–Nov. 13 &	15	45
	Dec. 10–Jan. 8	15	45
<i>Kentucky:</i>			
11 a.m. to sunset	Sept. 1 only	15	15
1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	Sept. 2–Oct. 26 &	15	45
	Nov. 24–Dec. 4 &	15	45
	Dec. 24–Jan. 15	15	45
<i>Louisiana:</i>			
North Zone:			
1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	Sept. 3–Sept. 25 &	15	45
	Oct. 8–Nov. 13 &	15	45
	Dec. 17–Jan. 15	15	45
South Zone:			
1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	Sept. 3–Sept. 11 &	15	45
	Oct. 8–Nov. 27 &	15	45
	Dec. 17–Jan. 15	15	45
<i>Maryland:</i>			
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 1–Oct. 8	15	45
1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	Oct. 21–Nov. 19 &	15	45
	Dec. 17–Jan. 7	15	45
<i>Mississippi:</i>			
North Zone	Sept. 3–Oct. 9 &	15	45
	Oct. 22–Nov. 6 &	15	45
	Dec. 10–Jan. 15	15	45
South Zone	Sept. 3–Sept. 11 &	15	45
	Oct. 8–Nov. 13 &	15	45
	Dec. 3–Jan. 15	15	45
<i>North Carolina</i>	Sept. 3–Oct. 8 &	15	45
	Nov. 21–Dec. 3 &	15	45
	Dec. 5–Jan. 14	15	45
<i>Ohio</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 6 &	15	45
	Dec. 17–Jan. 8	15	45
<i>Pennsylvania:</i>			
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 1–Oct. 8	15	45
1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	Oct. 15–Nov. 26 &	15	45
	Dec. 26–Jan. 3	15	45
<i>Rhode Island:</i>			
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 10–Oct. 9	15	45
1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	Oct. 15–Nov. 27 &	15	45
	Dec. 10–Dec. 25	15	45
<i>South Carolina:</i>			
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 3–Sept. 5	12	36
1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	Sept. 6–Oct. 15 &	12	36
	Nov. 12–Nov. 26 &	12	36
	Dec. 15–Jan. 15	12	36
<i>Tennessee:</i>			
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 1 only	15	15
1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	Sept. 2–Sept. 28 &	15	45
	Oct. 8–Oct. 30 &	15	45
	Dec. 8–Jan. 15	15	45
<i>Virginia:</i>			
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 3–Sept. 9	15	45

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	Sept. 10–Oct. 30 &	15	45
	Nov. 19–Nov. 27 &	15	45
	Dec. 24–Jan. 15	15	45
<i>West Virginia:</i>			
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 1 only	15	15
1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	Sept. 2–Oct. 15 &	15	45
	Oct. 31–Nov. 19 &	15	45
	Dec. 19–Jan. 12	15	45
<i>Wisconsin</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 29	15	45

CENTRAL MANAGEMENT UNIT

<i>Arkansas</i>	Sept. 3–Oct. 23 &	15	45
	Dec. 8–Jan. 15	15	45
<i>Colorado</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	15	45
<i>Iowa</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	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>			
North Zone	Sept. 1–Nov. 29	15	45
South Zone:	Sept. 1–Oct. 30 &	15	45
	Dec. 3–Jan. 1	15	45
<i>North Dakota</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 29	15	45
<i>Oklahoma</i>	Sept. 1–Oct. 31 &	15	45
	Dec. 17–Dec. 25	15	45
<i>South Dakota</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	15	45
<i>Texas</i> (2):			
North Zone	Sept. 1–Nov. 13 &	15	45
	Dec. 17–Jan. 1	15	45
Central Zone	Sept. 1–Nov. 6 &	15	45
	Dec. 17–Jan. 8	15	45
South Zone:			
Special Area	Sept. 23–Nov. 9 &	15	45
	Dec. 17–Jan. 23	15	45
(Special Season)	Sept. 3–Sept. 4 &	15	45
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 10–Sept. 11	15	45
Remainder of the South Zone	Sept. 23–Nov. 13 &	15	45
	Dec. 17–Jan. 23	15	45
<i>Wyoming</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 29	15	45

WESTERN MANAGEMENT UNIT

<i>Arizona</i> (3)	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 &	15	45
	Nov. 25–Jan. 8	15	45
<i>California</i> (4)	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 &	15	45
	Nov. 14–Dec. 28	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–Oct. 30	15	45
<i>Utah</i>	Sept. 1–Oct. 30	15	45
<i>Washington</i>	Sept. 1–Oct. 30	15	45

OTHER POPULATIONS

<i>Hawaii</i> (5)	Nov. 5–Nov. 27 &	10	30
	Dec. 3–Jan. 23	10	30

(1) In *Illinois*, 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 2 may be white-tipped doves. Possession limits are three times the daily bag limit.

(3) In *Arizona*, during September 1 through 15, the daily bag limit is 15 mourning and white-winged doves in the aggregate, of which no more than 10 may be white-winged doves. During November 25 through January 8, the daily bag limit is 15 mourning doves.

(4) In *California*, the daily bag limit is 15 mourning and white-winged doves in the aggregate, of which no more than 10 may be white-wing doves.

(5) In *Hawaii*, the season is only open on the island of Hawaii. The daily bag limits are 10 mourning doves, spotted doves, and chestnut-bellied sandgrouse in the aggregate. Shooting hours are from one-half hour before sunrise through one-half hour after sunset. Hunting is permitted only on weekends and State holidays.

(b) *Band-tailed Pigeons.*

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Arizona	Sept. 2–Sept. 15	2	6
California:			
North Zone	Sept. 19–Sept. 27	2	6
South Zone	Dec. 19–Dec. 27	2	6
Colorado	Sept. 1–Sept. 14	2	6
New Mexico:			
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) In *Utah*, 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 March 28, 2016, **Federal Register** (81 FR 17302).

CHECK STATE REGULATIONS FOR AREA DESCRIPTIONS AND ANY ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS.

	Sora and Virginia Rails	Clapper and King Rails	Woodcock	Snipe
Daily bag limit	25 (1)	15 (2)	3	8
Possession limit	75 (1)	45 (2)	9	24
ATLANTIC FLYWAY				
Connecticut (3)	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Oct. 22–Nov. 19 & Nov. 21–Dec. 6.	Oct. 22–Nov. 19 & Nov. 21–Dec. 6.
Delaware	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Nov. 21–Dec. 3 & Dec. 14–Jan. 14.	Sept. 20–Dec. 3 & Dec. 14–Jan. 14.
Florida	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Dec. 18–Jan. 31	Nov. 1–Feb. 15.
Georgia	Sept. 24–Nov. 10 & Nov. 25–Dec. 16.	Sept. 24–Nov. 10 & Nov. 25–Dec. 16.	Dec. 10–Jan. 23	Nov. 15–Feb. 28.
Maine (4)	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 1–Oct. 29 & Oct. 31–Nov. 15.	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
Maryland (5)	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Oct. 28–Nov. 25 & Jan. 13–Jan. 28.	Sept. 27–Nov. 25 & Dec. 13–Jan. 28.
Massachusetts (6)	Sept. 1–Nov. 7	Closed	Oct. 5–Oct. 29 & Oct. 31–Nov. 19.	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
New Hampshire	Closed	Closed	Oct. 1–Nov. 14	Sept. 15–Nov. 14.
New Jersey (7):				
North Zone	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Oct. 15–Nov. 19	Sept. 16–Dec. 31.
South Zone	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Nov. 12–Dec. 3 & Dec. 17–Dec. 30.	Sept. 16–Dec. 31.
New York (8)	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 1–Nov. 14	Sept. 1–Nov. 9.
North Carolina	Sept. 1–Oct. 1 & Oct. 14–Nov. 21.	Sept. 1–Oct. 1 & Oct. 14–Nov. 21.	Dec. 15–Jan. 28	Nov. 14–Feb. 28.
Pennsylvania (9)	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 15–Nov. 26	Oct. 15–Nov. 26.
Rhode Island (10)	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Oct. 15–Nov. 28	Sept. 1–Nov. 9.
South Carolina	Sept. 17–Sept. 21 & Oct. 15–Dec. 18.	Sept. 17–Sept. 21 & Oct. 15–Dec. 18.	Dec. 18–Jan. 31	Nov. 14–Feb. 28.
Vermont	Closed	Closed	Oct. 1–Nov. 14	Oct. 1–Nov. 14.
Virginia	Sept. 10–Nov. 18	Sept. 10–Nov. 18	Oct. 29–Nov. 4 & Dec. 9–Jan. 15.	Oct. 7–Oct. 10 & Oct. 21–Jan. 31.
West Virginia (11)	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 15–Nov. 19 & Nov. 28–Dec. 6.	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY				
Alabama	Sept. 10–Sept. 25 & Nov. 26–Jan. 18.	Sept. 10–Sept. 25 & Nov. 26–Jan. 18.	Dec. 16–Jan. 29	Nov. 12–Feb. 26.
Arkansas	Sept. 10–Nov. 18	Closed	Nov. 5–Dec. 19	Nov. 1–Feb. 15.
Illinois (12)	Sept. 3–Nov. 11	Closed	Oct. 15–Nov. 28	Sept. 3–Dec. 18.
Indiana (13)	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 15–Nov. 28	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
Iowa (14)	Sept. 3–Nov. 11	Closed	Oct. 1–Nov. 14	Sept. 3–Nov. 30.
Kentucky	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 22–Nov. 11 & Nov. 14–Dec. 7.	Sept. 21–Oct. 30 & Nov. 24–Jan. 29.

	Sora and Virginia Rails	Clapper and King Rails	Woodcock	Snipe
Daily bag limit	25 (1)	15 (2)	3	8
Possession limit	75 (1)	45 (2)	9	24
<i>Louisiana:</i>				
West Zone	Sept. 10–Sept. 25 & Nov. 12–Jan. 4.	Sept. 10–Sept. 25 & Nov. 12–Jan. 4.	Dec. 18–Jan. 31	Nov. 2–Dec. 4 & Dec. 17–Feb. 28.
East Zone	Sept. 10–Sept. 25 & Nov. 12–Jan. 4.	Sept. 10–Sept. 25 & Nov. 12–Jan. 4.	Dec. 18–Jan. 31	Nov. 2–Dec. 4 & Dec. 17–Feb. 28.
Coastal Zone	Sept. 10–Sept. 25 & Nov. 12–Jan. 4.	Sept. 10–Sept. 25 & Nov. 12–Jan. 4.	Dec. 18–Jan. 31	Nov. 2–Dec. 4 & Dec. 17–Feb. 28.
<i>Michigan</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Closed	Sept. 24–Nov. 7	Sept. 1–Nov. 9.
<i>Minnesota</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 7	Closed	Sept. 24–Nov. 7	Sept. 1–Nov. 7.
<i>Mississippi</i>	Sept. 3–Nov. 11	Sept. 3–Nov. 11	Dec. 18–Jan. 31	Nov. 14–Feb. 28.
<i>Missouri</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 15–Nov. 28	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
<i>Ohio</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 8–Nov. 21	Sept. 1–Nov. 29 & Dec. 17–Jan. 2.
<i>Tennessee:</i>				
Reelfoot Zone	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 29–Dec. 12	Nov. 14–Feb. 28.
State Zone	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 29–Dec. 12	Nov. 14–Feb. 28.
<i>Wisconsin:</i>				
North Zone	Sept. 24–Nov. 22	Closed	Sept. 24–Nov. 7	Sept. 24–Nov. 22.
South Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 9 & Oct. 15–Dec. 4.	Closed	Sept. 24–Nov. 7	Oct. 1–Oct. 9 & Oct. 15–Dec. 4.
Miss. River Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 7 & Oct. 15–Dec. 6.	Closed	Sept. 24–Nov. 7	Oct. 1–Oct. 7 & Oct. 15–Dec. 6.
CENTRAL FLYWAY				
<i>Colorado</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Closed	Closed	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
<i>Kansas</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 15–Nov. 28	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
<i>Montana</i>	Closed	Closed	Closed	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
<i>Nebraska</i> (15)	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Closed	Sept. 24–Nov. 7	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
<i>New Mexico</i> (16)	Sept. 17–Nov. 25	Closed	Closed	Oct. 15–Jan. 29.
<i>North Dakota</i>	Closed	Closed	Sept. 24–Nov. 7	Sept. 17–Dec. 4.
<i>Oklahoma</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Closed	Nov. 1–Dec. 15	Oct. 1–Jan. 15.
<i>South Dakota</i> (17)	Closed	Closed	Closed	Sept. 1–Oct. 31.
<i>Texas</i>	Sept. 10–Sept. 25 & Nov. 5–Dec. 28.	Sept. 10–Sept. 25 & Nov. 5–Dec. 28.	Dec. 18–Jan. 31	Oct. 29–Feb. 12.
<i>Wyoming</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Closed	Closed	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
PACIFIC FLYWAY				
<i>Arizona</i> (18):				
North Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 7–Jan. 15.
South Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 21–Jan. 29.
<i>California</i>	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 15–Jan. 29.
<i>Colorado</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Closed	Closed	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
<i>Idaho:</i>				
Zone 1	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 1–Jan. 13.
Zone 2	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 1–Jan. 13.
Zone 3	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 15–Jan. 27.
<i>Montana</i>	Closed	Closed	Closed	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
<i>Nevada:</i>				
Northeast Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 1–Oct. 23 & Oct. 26–Jan. 15.
Northwest Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 8–Oct. 23 & Oct. 26–Jan. 22.
South Zone (19)	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 15–Oct. 23 & Oct. 26–Jan. 29.
<i>New Mexico</i>	Sept. 17–Nov. 25	Closed	Closed	Oct. 17–Jan. 31.
<i>Oregon:</i>				
Zone 1	Closed	Closed	Closed	Nov. 5–Feb. 19.
Zone 2	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 8–Nov. 27 & Nov. 30–Jan. 22.
<i>Utah</i>	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 1–Jan. 14.
<i>Washington:</i>				
East Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 15–Oct. 19 & Oct. 22–Jan. 29.
West Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 15–Oct. 19 & Oct. 22–Jan. 29.
<i>Wyoming</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	Closed	Closed	Sept. 1–Dec. 16.

(1) The daily bag and possession limits for sora and Virginia rails apply singly or in the aggregate of the two species.

(2) All daily bag and possession limits for clapper and king rails apply singly or in the aggregate of the two species and, unless otherwise specified, the limits are in addition to the limits on sora and Virginia rails in all States. In *Delaware*, *Maryland*, and *New Jersey*, the limits for clapper and king rails are 10 daily and 30 in possession.

(3) In *Connecticut*, the limits for clapper and king rails apply singly or in the aggregate of the two species. Limits for clapper and king rail are 10 daily and 30 in possession and may include no more than 1 king rail.

- (4) In *Maine*, the daily bag and possession limit for sora and Virginia rails is 25.
- (5) In *Maryland*, no more than 1 king rail may be taken per day.
- (6) In *Massachusetts*, the sora rail limits are 5 daily and 15 in possession; the Virginia rail limits are 10 daily and 30 in possession.
- (7) In *New Jersey*, the season for king rail is closed by State regulation.
- (8) In *New York*, the rail daily bag and possession limits are 8 and 24, respectively. Seasons for sora and Virginia rails and snipe are closed on Long Island.
- (9) In *Pennsylvania*, the daily bag and possession limits for sora and Virginia rails, singly or in the aggregate, are 3 and 9, respectively.
- (10) In *Rhode Island*, the sora and Virginia rails limits are 3 daily and 9 in possession, singly or in the aggregate; the clapper and king rail limits are 1 daily and 3 in possession, singly or in the aggregate; the snipe limits are 5 daily and 15 in possession.
- (11) In *West Virginia*, the daily bag and possession limit for sora and Virginia rails is 25; the possession limit for snipe is 16.
- (12) In *Illinois*, 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 24 in possession.
- (15) In *Nebraska*, the rail limits are 10 daily and 30 in possession.
- (16) In *New Mexico*, in the Central Flyway portion of the State, the rail limits are 10 daily and 20 in possession.
- (17) In *South Dakota*, the snipe limits are 5 daily and 15 in possession.
- (18) In *Arizona*, Ashurst Lake in Unit 5B is closed to snipe hunting.
- (19) In *Nevada*, the snipe season in that portion of the South Zone including the Moapa Valley to the confluence of the Muddy and Virgin rivers is only open November 1 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

March 28, 2016, **Federal Register** (81 FR 17302) and the April 12, 2016, **Federal Register** (81 FR 21480).

CHECK STATE REGULATIONS FOR AREA DESCRIPTIONS AND ANY ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS.

(a) *Common Moorhens and Purple Gallinules.*

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
ATLANTIC FLYWAY			
<i>Delaware</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	15	45
<i>Florida</i> (1)	Sept. 1–Nov.9	15	45
<i>Georgia</i>	Nov. 19–Nov. 27 &	15	45
	Dec. 10–Jan. 29	15	45
<i>New Jersey</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	10	30
<i>New York:</i>			
Long Island	Closed.		
Remainder of State	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	8	24
<i>North Carolina</i>	Sept. 1–Oct. 1 &	15	45
	Oct. 14–Nov. 21	15	45
<i>Pennsylvania</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	3	9
<i>South Carolina</i>	Sept. 17–Sept. 21 &	15	45
	Oct. 15–Dec. 18	15	45
<i>Virginia</i>	Sept. 10–Nov. 18	15	45
<i>West Virginia</i>	Oct. 1–Oct. 8 &	15	30
	Nov. 28–Jan. 28	15	30
MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY			
<i>Alabama</i>	Sept. 10–Sept. 25 &	15	45
	Nov. 26–Jan. 18	15	45
<i>Arkansas</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	15	45
<i>Kentucky</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	3	9
<i>Louisiana</i>	Sept. 10–Sept. 25 &	15	45
	Nov. 12–Jan. 4	15	45
<i>Michigan</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	1	3
<i>Minnesota</i> (2):			
North Zone	Sept. 24–Nov. 22	15	45
Central Zone	Sept. 24–Oct. 2 &	15	45
	Oct. 8–Nov. 27	15	45
South Zone	Sept. 24–Oct. 2 &	15	45
	Oct. 15–Dec. 4	15	45
<i>Mississippi</i>	Sept. 3–Nov. 11	15	45
<i>Ohio</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	15	45
<i>Tennessee:</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	15	45
<i>Wisconsin:</i>			
North Zone	Sept. 24–Nov. 22	15	30
South Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 9 &	15	30
	Oct. 15–Dec. 4	15	30
Mississippi River Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 7 &	15	30
	Oct. 15–Dec. 6	15	30
CENTRAL FLYWAY			

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<i>New Mexico:</i>			
Zone 1	Sept. 17–Nov. 25	1	3
Zone 2	Sept. 17–Nov. 25	1	3
<i>Oklahoma</i>	Sept. 1–Nov. 9	15	45
<i>Texas</i>	Sept. 10–Sept. 25 &	15	45
	Nov. 5–Dec. 28	15	45
PACIFIC FLYWAY			
<i>All States</i>	Seasons are in aggregate with coots and listed in paragraph (e).		

(1) The season applies to common moorhens only.

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

(b) *Special Sea Duck Seasons* (scoters, eiders, and long-tailed ducks in Atlantic Flyway).

Within the special sea duck areas, the daily bag limit is 5 scoters, eiders, and

long-tailed ducks in the aggregate, including no more than 4 scoters, 4 eiders, and 4 long-tailed ducks.

Possession limits are three times the

daily bag limit. These limits may be in addition to regular duck bag limits only during the regular duck season in the special sea duck hunting areas.

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<i>Connecticut</i>	Nov. 12–Jan. 20	5	15
<i>Delaware</i>	Nov. 21–Jan. 28	5	15
<i>Georgia</i>	Nov. 19–Nov. 27 &	5	15
	Dec. 10–Jan. 29	5	15
<i>Maine</i>	Nov. 11–Jan. 19	5	15
<i>Maryland</i>	Nov. 5–Jan. 13	5	15
<i>Massachusetts</i> (1)	Nov. 21–Jan. 28	5	15
<i>New Hampshire</i>	Nov. 15–Jan. 13	5	15
<i>New Jersey</i>	Nov. 5–Jan. 13	5	15
<i>North Carolina</i>	Nov. 21–Jan. 28	5	15
<i>Rhode Island</i>	Nov. 24–Jan. 22	5	15
<i>South Carolina</i>	Nov. 19–Nov. 26 &	5	15
	Dec. 10–Jan. 29	5	15
<i>Virginia</i>	Nov. 11–Jan. 9	5	15

Note: Notwithstanding the provisions of this Part 20, 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.

(1) In *Massachusetts*, the daily bag limit may not include more than 1 hen eider. Possession limits are three times the daily bag limit.

(c) *Early (September) Duck Seasons.*

Note: Unless otherwise specified, the seasons listed below are for teal only.

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
ATLANTIC FLYWAY			
<i>Delaware</i> (1)	Sept. 9–Sept. 27	6	18
<i>Florida</i> (2)	Sept. 17–Sept. 25	6	18
<i>Georgia</i>	Sept. 10–Sept. 25	6	18
<i>Maryland</i> (1)	Sept. 16–Sept. 30	6	18
<i>North Carolina</i> (1)	Sept. 10–Sept. 28	6	18
<i>South Carolina</i> (3)	Sept. 9–Sept. 24	6	18
<i>Virginia</i> (1)	Sept. 17–Sept. 30	6	18
MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY			
<i>Alabama</i>	Sept. 10–Sept. 25	6	18
<i>Arkansas</i> (3)	Sept. 10–Sept. 25	6	18
<i>Illinois</i> (3)	Sept. 3–Sept. 18	6	18
<i>Indiana</i> (3)	Sept. 3–Sept. 18	6	18
<i>Iowa</i> (3)	Sept. 3–Sept. 18	6	18
<i>Kentucky</i> (2)	Sept. 17–Sept. 25	6	18
<i>Louisiana</i>	Sept. 10–Sept. 25	6	18
<i>Michigan</i>	Sept. 1–Sept. 7	6	18
<i>Mississippi</i>	Sept. 10–Sept. 25	6	18

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Missouri (3)	Sept. 10–Sept. 25	6	18
Ohio (3)	Sept. 3–Sept. 18	6	18
Tennessee (2)	Sept. 10–Sept. 18	6	18
Wisconsin	Sept. 1–Sept. 7	6	18
CENTRAL FLYWAY			
Colorado (1)	Sept. 10–Sept. 18	6	18
Kansas:			
Low Plains	Sept. 10–Sept. 25	6	18
High Plains	Sept. 17–Sept. 25	6	18
Nebraska (1):			
Low Plains	Sept. 3–Sept. 18	6	18
High Plains	Sept. 3–Sept. 11	6	18
New Mexico	Sept. 17–Sept. 25	6	18
Oklahoma	Sept. 10–Sept. 25	6	18
Texas:			
High Plains	Sept. 10–Sept. 25	6	18
Rest of State	Sept. 10–Sept. 25	6	18

(1) Area restrictions. See State regulations.

(2) In Florida, Kentucky, and Tennessee, the daily bag limit for the first 5 days of the season is 6 wood ducks and teal in the aggregate, of which no more than 2 may be wood ducks. During the last 4 days of the season, the daily bag limit is 6 teal only. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

(3) Shooting hours are from sunrise to sunset.

(d) *Special Early Canada Goose Seasons.*

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
ATLANTIC FLYWAY			
Connecticut (1):			
North Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 30	15	45
South Zone	Sept. 13–Sept. 30	15	45
Delaware	Sept. 1–Sept. 24	15	45
Florida	Sept. 3–Sept. 25	5	15
Georgia	Sept. 3–Sept. 25	5	15
Maine:			
Northern Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 24	6	18
Southern Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 24	8	24
Coastal Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 24	8	24
Maryland (1)(2):			
Eastern Unit	Sept. 1–Sept. 15	8	24
Western Unit	Sept. 1–Sept. 24	8	24
Massachusetts:			
Central Zone	Sept. 6–Sept. 23	7	21
Coastal Zone	Sept. 6–Sept. 23	7	21
Western Zone	Sept. 6–Sept. 23	7	21
New Hampshire	Sept. 1–Sept. 25	5	15
New Jersey (1)(2)(3)	Sept. 1–Sept. 30	15	45
New York (4):			
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. 6–Sept. 30	15	45
Eastern Long Island Zone	Sept. 6–Sept. 30	15	45
North Carolina (5)(6)	Sept. 1–Sept. 30	15	45
Pennsylvania (7):			
SJBP Zone (8)	Sept. 1–Sept. 24	3	9
Rest of State (9)	Sept. 1–Sept. 24	8	24
Rhode Island (1)	Sept. 1–Sept. 30	15	45
South Carolina			
Early-Season Hunt Unit	Sept. 1–Sept. 30	15	45
Vermont:			
Lake Champlain Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 25	8	24
Interior Vermont Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 25	8	24

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Connecticut River Zone (10)	Sept. 1–Sept. 25	5	15
Virginia (11)	Sept. 1–Sept. 25	10	30
West Virginia	Sept. 1–Sept. 10	5	15
CENTRAL FLYWAY			
<i>North Dakota:</i>			
Missouri River Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 7	15	45
Remainder of State	Sept. 1–Sept. 15	15	45
Oklahoma	Sept. 10–Sept. 19	8	24
South Dakota (12)	Sept. 3–Sept. 30	15	45
<i>Texas</i>			
East Zone	Sept. 10–Sept. 25	5	15
PACIFIC FLYWAY			
Colorado	Sept. 1–Sept. 9	4	12
<i>Idaho</i>			
Zone 4	Sept. 1–Sept. 15	5	15
<i>Oregon:</i>			
Northwest Permit Zone	Sept. 10–Sept. 18	5	15
Southwest Zone	Sept. 10–Sept. 14	5	15
Eastern Zone	Sept. 10–Sept. 14	5	15
Klamath County Zone	Sept. 10–Sept. 14	5	15
Harney and Lake County Zone	Sept. 10–Sept. 14	5	15
Malheur County Zone	Sept. 10–Sept. 14	5	15
<i>Washington:</i>			
Areas 1 & 3	Sept. 10–Sept. 15	5	15
Areas 2A & 2B (13)	Sept. 3–Sept. 11	5	15
Area 4 & 5	Sept. 10–Sept. 11	5	10
<i>Wyoming:</i>			
Teton County Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 8	3	9
Balance of State Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 8	2	6

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

(2) The use of shotguns capable of holding more than 3 shotshells is allowed.

(3) The use of electronic calls is allowed.

(4) In *New York*, in all areas except the Northeastern and Southeastern Goose Hunting Area, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset, the use of shotguns capable of holding more than 3 shotshells is allowed, and the use of electronic calls is allowed. In the Northeastern and Southeastern Goose Hunting Areas, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset, shotguns capable of holding more than 3 shotshells are allowed, and electronic calls are allowed only from September 1 to September 16 and September 19 to September 25. On September 17 and September 18, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to sunset, shotguns must be capable of holding no more than 3 shotshells, and electronic calls are not allowed.

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

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

(7) In *Pennsylvania*, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset from September 1 to September 16, September 19 to September 23. On September 17 and September 24, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to sunset.

(8) In *Pennsylvania*, in the area south of SR 198 from the Ohio State line to intersection of SR 18, SR 18 south to SR 618, SR 618 south to U.S. Route 6, U.S. Route 6 east to U.S. Route 322/SR 18, U.S. Route 322/SR 18 west to intersection of SR 3013, SR 3013 south to the Crawford/Mercer County line, not including the Pymatuning State Park Reservoir and an area to extend 100 yards inland from the shoreline of the reservoir, excluding the area east of SR 3011 (Hartstown Road), the daily bag limit is 1 goose with a possession limit of 3 geese. The season is closed on State Game Lands 214. However, during youth waterfowl hunting days, regular season regulations apply.

(9) In *Pennsylvania*, in the area of Lancaster and Lebanon Counties north of the Pennsylvania Turnpike, 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 1 goose with a possession limit of 3 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.

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

(11) In *Virginia*, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset from September 1 to September 16, and one-half hour before sunrise to sunset from September 17 to September 25 in the area east of I-95 where the September teal season is open. Shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset from September 1 to September 20, and one-half hour before sunrise to sunset from September 21 to September 25 in the area west of I-95.

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

(13) In *Washington*, in Pacific County, the daily bag and possession limit is 15 and 45 Canada geese, respectively.

(e) *Waterfowl, Coots, and Pacific-Flyway Seasons for Common Moorhens.*

Definitions

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

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

The Central Flyway: Includes Colorado (east of the Continental Divide), Kansas, Montana (Blaine, Carbon, Fergus, Judith Basin, Stillwater, Sweetgrass, Wheatland, and all counties east thereof), Nebraska, New Mexico (east of the Continental Divide except

that the Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation is in the Pacific Flyway), North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, and Wyoming (east of the Continental Divide).

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

and west of the Continental Divide), Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming (west of the Continental Divide including the Great Divide Basin).

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

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

ATLANTIC FLYWAY
Flyway-Wide Restrictions

Duck Limits: The daily bag limit of 6 ducks may include no more than 4 mallards (2 female mallards), 2 scaup, 1 black duck, 2 pintails, 2 canvasbacks, 1 mottled duck, 3 wood ducks, 2 redheads, 4 scoters, 4 eiders, 4 long-tailed ducks, and 1 fulvous tree duck. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

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

Merganser Limits: The daily bag limit is 5 mergansers and may include no more than 2 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 2 may be hooded mergansers. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<i>Connecticut</i>			
Ducks and Mergansers:		6	18
North Zone	Oct. 8–Oct. 15 & Nov. 10–Jan. 10		
South Zone	Oct. 8–Oct. 11 & Nov. 16–Jan. 20		
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada Geese:			
AFRP Unit	Oct. 10–Oct. 13 & Nov. 11–Nov. 30 &	5	15
NAP H-Unit	Dec. 10–Feb. 15	5	15
AP Unit	Oct. 8–Oct. 15 & Nov. 10–Jan. 21	3	9
Special Season	Oct. 10–Oct. 13 & Nov. 23–Jan. 14	3	9
Special Season	Jan. 25–Feb. 15	5	15
Light Geese:			
North Zone	Oct. 1–Jan. 14 & Feb. 21–Mar. 10	25	
South Zone	Oct. 1–Dec. 1 & Jan. 7–Mar. 10	25	
Brant:			
North Zone	Nov. 14–Jan. 10	2	6
South Zone	Nov. 24–Jan. 20	2	6
<i>Delaware</i>			
Ducks	Oct. 28–Nov. 8 & Nov. 21–Nov. 26 &	6	18
Mergansers	Dec. 9–Jan. 28	6	18
Coots	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Canada Geese	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Light Geese (1)	Nov. 21–Nov. 26 & Dec. 16–Feb. 4	2	6
Brant	Oct. 5–Feb. 4	25	
<i>Florida</i>			
Ducks	Feb. 11	25	
Mergansers	Dec. 3–Jan. 28	2	6
Coots	Nov. 19–Nov. 27 & Dec. 10–Jan. 29	6	18
Canada Geese	Same as for Ducks	6	18
Light Geese	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Brant	Same as for Ducks	5	15
<i>Georgia</i>			
Ducks	Nov. 19–Nov. 27 & Dec. 10–Jan. 29	6	18
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	6	18
Coots	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Canada Geese	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Light Geese	Nov. 19–Nov. 27 & Dec. 1–Jan. 30	5	15
Brant	Dec. 10–Jan. 29	5	15
<i>Maine</i>			
Ducks (2):	Same as for Canada Geese	5	15
North Zone	Geese	5	15
	Closed		
		6	18
	Sept. 26–Dec. 3.		

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
South Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 15 &		
Coastal Zone	Nov. 1–Dec. 24. Oct. 1–Oct. 15 &		
Mergansers	Nov. 11–Jan. 4. Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Canada Geese:			
North Zone	Oct. 1–Dec. 21	3	9
South Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 27 &	3	9
Coastal Zone	Nov. 1–Dec. 24	3	9
	Oct. 1–Oct. 27 &	3	9
	Nov. 11–Jan. 4	3	9
	Oct. 1–Jan. 31	25	
Light Geese.			
Brant:			
North Zone	Sept. 26–Dec. 3	2	6
South Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 15 &	2	6
Coastal Zone	Nov. 1–Dec. 24	2	6
	Oct. 1–Oct. 15 &	2	6
	Nov. 11–Jan. 4	2	6
<i>Maryland</i>			
Ducks and Mergansers (3)	Oct. 15–Oct. 22 &	6	18
	Nov. 12–Nov. 25 &	6	18
	Dec. 13–Jan. 28	6	18
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada Geese:			
RP Zone	Nov. 19–Nov. 25 &	5	15
	Dec. 13–Mar. 8	5	15
AP Zone	Nov. 19–Nov. 25 &	2	6
	Dec. 16–Feb. 4	2	6
Light Geese	Oct. 1–Nov. 25 &	25	
	Dec. 12–Feb. 4	25	
	Feb. 11	25	
Brant	Nov. 8–Nov. 25 &	2	6
	Dec. 12–Jan. 31	2	6
<i>Massachusetts</i>			
Ducks (4):		6	18
Western Zone	Oct. 10–Nov. 26 &		
	Dec. 5–Dec. 24.		
Central Zone	Oct. 11–Nov. 26 &		
	Dec. 12–Jan. 2.		
Coastal Zone	Oct. 14–Oct. 22 &		
	Nov. 17–Jan. 16.		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada Geese:			
NAP Zone.			
Central Zone	Oct. 11–Nov. 26 &	3	9
	Dec. 12–Jan. 13	3	9
(Special season)	Jan. 16–Feb. 4	5	15
Coastal Zone	Oct. 14–Oct. 22 &	3	9
	Nov. 17–Jan. 27	3	9
(Special season) (5)	Jan. 28–Feb. 15	5	15
AP Zone	Oct. 10–Nov. 26 &	3	9
	Dec. 5–Dec. 13	3	9
Light Geese:			
Western Zone	Oct. 10–Nov. 26 &	15	45
	Dec. 5–Dec. 13	15	45
Central Zone	Oct. 11–Nov. 26 &	15	45
	Dec. 12–Jan. 13	15	45
	Jan. 16–Feb. 4	15	45
Coastal Zone (5)	Oct. 14–Oct. 22 &	15	45
	Nov. 17–Jan. 27	15	45
	Jan. 28–Feb. 15	15	45
Brant:			
Western & Central Zone	Closed		
Coastal Zone	Nov. 21–Jan. 28	2	6
<i>New Hampshire</i>			
Ducks:		6	18
Northern Zone	Oct. 4–Dec. 2		
Inland Zone	Oct. 4–Nov. 6 &		
	Nov. 22–Dec. 17		

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Coastal Zone	Oct. 5–Oct. 16 &		
Mergansers	Nov. 22–Jan. 8	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada Geese:			
Northern Zone	Oct. 4–Dec. 12	3	9
Inland Zone	Oct. 4–Nov. 6 &	3	9
Coastal Zone	Nov. 22–Dec. 27	3	9
Northern Zone	Oct. 5–Oct. 16 &	3	9
Inland Zone	Nov. 22–Jan. 18	3	9
Light Geese:			
Northern Zone	Oct. 4–Dec. 12	25	
Inland Zone	Oct. 4–Dec. 27	25	
Coastal Zone	Oct. 5–Jan. 18	25	
Brant:			
Northern Zone	Oct. 4–Dec. 2	2	6
Inland Zone	Oct. 4–Nov. 6 &	2	6
Coastal Zone	Nov. 22–Dec. 17	2	6
Northern Zone	Oct. 5–Oct. 16 &	2	6
Inland Zone	Nov. 22–Jan. 8	2	6
<i>New Jersey</i>			
Ducks:		6	18
North Zone	Oct. 8–Oct. 15 &		
South Zone	Nov. 5–Jan. 5		
Coastal Zone	Oct. 22–Oct. 29 &		
Northern Zone	Nov. 12–Jan. 12		
Inland Zone	Nov. 10–Nov. 12 &		
Coastal Zone	Nov. 24–Jan. 28		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada and White-fronted Geese:			
North Zone	Nov. 12–Nov. 26 &	3	9
South Zone	Dec. 10–Jan. 21	3	9
Coastal Zone	Nov. 12–Nov. 26 &	3	9
Northern Zone	Dec. 10–Jan. 21	3	9
Inland Zone	Nov. 10–Nov. 12 &	5	15
Coastal Zone	Nov. 24–Feb. 15	5	15
Light Geese:			
Special Season Zone	Jan. 23–Feb. 15	5	15
North Zone	Oct. 17–Feb. 15	25	
South Zone	Oct. 17–Feb. 15	25	
Coastal Zone	Oct. 17–Feb. 15	25	
Brant:			
North Zone	Oct. 8–Oct. 15 &	1	3
South Zone	Nov. 5–Jan. 5	1	3
Coastal Zone	Oct. 22–Oct. 29 &	1	3
Northern Zone	Nov. 12–Jan. 12	1	3
Inland Zone	Nov. 10–Nov. 12 &	1	3
Coastal Zone	Nov. 24–Jan. 28	1	3
<i>New York</i>			
Ducks and Mergansers:		6	18
Long Island Zone	Nov. 24–Nov. 27 &		
Lake Champlain Zone	Dec. 5–Jan. 29		
Northeastern Zone	Oct. 12–Oct. 16 &		
Southeastern Zone	Oct. 29–Dec. 22		
Western Zone	Oct. 8–Oct. 30 &		
Northern Zone	Nov. 5–Dec. 11		
Inland Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 10 &		
Coastal Zone	Nov. 12–Dec. 31		
Northern Zone	Oct. 22–Dec. 4 &		
Inland Zone	Dec. 31–Jan. 15		
Coastal Zone	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada Geese:			
Western Long Island (AFRP)	Oct. 8–Oct. 23 &	8	24
Central Long Island (NAP–L)	Nov. 24–Nov. 27 &	8	24
Eastern Long Island (NAP–H)	Dec. 5–Feb. 27	8	24
Lake Champlain (AP) Zone	Nov. 24–Nov. 27 &	3	9
Northeast (AP) Zone	Dec. 5–Feb. 8	3	9
Northern Zone	Nov. 24–Feb. 1	3	9
Inland Zone	Nov. 24–Feb. 1	3	9
Coastal Zone	Oct. 12–Nov. 30	3	9
Northern Zone	Oct. 22–Nov. 14 &	3	9
Inland Zone	Nov. 16–Dec. 11	3	9

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
East Central (AP) Zone	Oct. 22–Nov. 18 &	3	9
	Dec. 3–Dec. 24	3	9
Hudson Valley (AP) Zone	Nov. 5–Nov. 17 &	3	9
	Dec. 3–Jan. 8	3	9
West Central (AP) Zone	Oct. 22–Nov. 24 &	3	9
	Dec. 31–Jan. 15	3	9
South (AFRP)	Oct. 22–Dec. 17 &	5	15
	Dec. 31–Jan. 15 &	5	15
	Mar. 4–Mar. 10	5	15
Light Geese (6):			
Long Island Zone	Nov. 24–Mar. 10	25	
Lake Champlain Zone	Oct. 12–Dec. 31 &	25	
	Feb. 15–Mar. 10	25	
Northeastern Zone	Oct. 1–Jan. 15	25	
Southeastern Zone	Oct. 1–Jan. 15	25	
Western Zone	Oct. 1–Jan. 15	25	
Brant:			
Long Island Zone	Nov. 24–Nov. 27 &	2	6
	Dec. 5–Jan. 29	2	6
Lake Champlain Zone	Oct. 5–Dec. 3	2	6
Northeastern Zone	Oct. 1–Nov. 29	2	6
Southeastern Zone	Oct. 1–Nov. 29	2	6
Western Zone	Oct. 1–Nov. 29	2	6
<i>North Carolina</i>			
Ducks (7)	Oct. 5–Oct. 8 &	6	18
	Nov. 12–Dec. 3 &	6	18
	Dec. 17–Jan. 28	6	18
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada Geese:			
RP Hunt Zone	Oct. 5–Oct. 15 &	5	15
	Nov. 12–Dec. 3 &	5	15
	Dec. 17–Feb. 11	5	15
SJB Hunt Zone	Oct. 5–Nov. 4 &	5	15
	Nov. 12–Dec. 31	5	15
Northeast Hunt Zone (8)	Jan. 13–Jan. 28	1	3
Light Geese	Oct. 11–Feb. 11	25	
Brant	Dec. 17–Jan. 28	1	3
<i>Pennsylvania</i>			
Ducks: .....	.....	6	18
North Zone	Oct. 8–Nov. 19 &		
	Dec. 20–Jan. 14		
South Zone	Oct. 15–Oct. 22 &		
	Nov. 22–Jan. 21		
Northwest Zone	Oct. 8–Dec. 10		
	Dec. 27–Dec. 31		
Lake Erie Zone	Oct. 31–Jan. 7		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada Geese:			
Eastern (AP) Zone	Nov. 15–Nov. 26 &	3	9
	Dec. 17–Jan. 31	3	9
SJB Hunt Zone	Oct. 8–Nov. 26 &	3	9
	Dec. 12–Jan. 20	3	9
Resident (RP) Zone	Oct. 22–Nov. 26 &	5	15
	Dec. 17–Jan. 14 &	5	15
	Feb. 1–Feb. 28	5	15
Light Geese:			
Eastern (AP) Zone	Oct. 1–Jan. 31	25	
SJB Hunt Zone	Oct. 1–Jan. 20	25	
Resident (RP) Zone	Oct. 27–Feb. 28	25	
Brant	Oct. 8–Dec. 16	2	6
<i>Rhode Island</i>			
Ducks	Oct. 7–Oct. 10 &	6	18
	Nov. 23–Nov. 27 &	6	18
	Dec. 3–Jan. 22	6	18
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada Geese	Nov. 19–Nov. 27 &	3	9
	Dec. 3–Jan. 30	3	9
Special season	Feb. 4–Feb. 10	5	15
Light Geese	Oct. 16–Jan. 30	25	

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Brant	Dec. 4–Jan. 22	2	6
Ducks (9)(10)	Nov. 12 &	6	18
	Nov. 19–Nov. 26 &	6	18
	Dec. 10–Jan. 29	6	18
Mergansers (11)	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada and White-fronted Geese (12)	Nov. 19–Nov. 26 &	5	15
	Dec. 10–Jan. 29 &	5	15
	Feb. 12–Feb. 27	5	15
Light Geese	Nov. 19–Nov. 26 &	25	
	Dec. 10–Jan. 29 &	25	
	Feb. 12–Feb. 27	25	
Brant	Nov. 19–Nov. 26 &	2	6
	Dec. 10–Jan. 29	2	6
<i>Vermont</i>			
Ducks:		6	18
Lake Champlain Zone	Oct. 12–Oct 16 &		
	Oct. 29–Dec. 22		
Interior Zone	Oct. 12–Dec. 10		
Connecticut River Zone	Oct. 4–Nov. 6 &		
	Nov. 22–Dec. 17		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada Geese:			
Lake Champlain Zone	Oct. 12–Nov. 30	3	9
Interior Zone	Oct. 12–Nov. 30	3	9
Connecticut River Zone	Oct. 4–Nov. 6 &	3	9
	Nov. 22–Dec. 27	3	9
Light Geese:			
Lake Champlain Zone	Oct. 12–Dec. 31 &	25	
	Feb. 15–Mar. 10	25	
Interior Zone	Oct. 12–Dec. 31 &	25	
	Feb. 15–Mar. 10	25	
Connecticut River Zone	Oct. 4–Dec. 27	25	
Brant:			
Lake Champlain Zone	Oct. 5–Dec. 3	2	6
Interior Zone	Oct. 5–Dec. 3	2	6
Connecticut River Zone	Oct. 4–Nov. 6 &	2	6
	Nov. 22–Dec. 17	2	6
<i>Virginia</i>			
Ducks (13)	Oct. 7–Oct. 10 &	6	18
	Nov. 16–Nov. 27 &	6	18
	Dec. 17–Jan. 29	6	18
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada Geese:			
Eastern (AP) Zone	Nov. 16–Nov. 27 &	2	6
	Dec. 23–Jan. 29	2	6
Western (SJB) Zone	Nov. 16–Nov. 27 &	3	9
	Dec. 19–Jan. 14 &	3	9
(Special season)	Jan. 15–Feb. 15	5	15
Western (RP) Zone	Nov. 16–Nov. 27 &	5	15
	Dec. 17–Feb. 22	5	15
Light Geese	Oct. 17–Jan. 31	25	
Brant	Nov. 16–Nov. 27 &	2	6
	Dec. 17–Jan. 29	2	6
<i>West Virginia</i>			
Ducks (14)	Oct. 1–Oct. 8 &	6	18
	Nov. 7–Nov. 12 &	6	18
	Dec. 14–Jan. 28	6	18
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	30
Canada Geese	Oct. 1–Oct. 15 &	5	15
	Nov. 7–Nov. 12 &	5	15
	Dec. 1–Jan. 28	5	15
Light Geese	Same as for Canada Geese	5	15
Brant	Nov. 30–Jan. 28	1	3

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

(2) In *Maine*, the daily bag limit may include no more than 4 of any species, with no more than 12 of any one species in possession. The season for Barrow's goldeneye is closed.

(3) In *Maryland*, the black duck season is closed October 15 through October 22. Additionally, the daily bag limit of 6 ducks may include no more than 5 sea ducks, of which no more than 4 may be scoters, eiders, or long-tailed ducks.

- (4) In *Massachusetts*, the daily bag limit may include no more than 4 of any single species in addition to the flyway-wide bag restrictions.
- (5) In *Massachusetts*, the January 23 to February 13 portion of the season in the Coastal Zone is restricted to that portion of the Coastal Zone north of the Cape Cod Canal.
- (6) In *New York*, the use of electronic calls and shotguns capable of holding more than 3 shotshells are allowed for hunting of light geese on any day when all other waterfowl hunting seasons are closed.
- (7) In *North Carolina*, the season is closed for black ducks October 5 through October 8 and November 12 through November 18. The daily bag limit for black and mottled ducks is combined with no more than 1 allowed in the daily bag.
- (8) In *North Carolina*, a permit is required to hunt Canada geese in the Northeast Hunt Zone.
- (9) In *South Carolina*, the daily bag limit of 6 may not exceed 1 black-bellied whistling duck, and either 1 black duck or 1 mottled duck in the aggregate.
- (10) In *South Carolina*, on November 12, only hunters 17 years of age or younger can hunt ducks, coots, and mergansers. The youth must be accompanied by a person at least 21 years of age 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.
- (11) In *South Carolina*, the daily bag limit for mergansers may include no more than 1 hooded merganser.
- (12) In *South Carolina*, the daily bag limit may include no more than 2 white-fronted geese.
- (13) In *Virginia*, the season is closed for black ducks October 7 through October 10.
- (14) In *West Virginia*, the daily bag limit may include no more than 4 long-tailed ducks, and the season is closed for eiders, whistling ducks, and mottled ducks.

MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY

Flyway-wide Restrictions

Duck Limits: The daily bag limit of 6 ducks may include no more than 4 mallards (no more than 2 of which may be females), 1 mottled duck, 1 black

duck, 2 pintails, 2 canvasbacks, 2 redheads, 3 scaup, and 3 wood ducks. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

Merganser Limits: The daily bag limit is 5 mergansers and may include no more than 2 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 2 may be hooded mergansers. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Alabama			
Ducks:		6	18
North Zone	Nov. 25–Nov. 26 & Dec. 3–Jan. 29		
South Zone	Same as North Zone		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Dark Geese (1)(2):			
SJBZ Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 & Nov. 25–Nov. 26 & Dec. 3–Jan. 29	5	15
North Zone	Same as SJBZ Zone	5	15
South Zone	Same as SJBZ Zone	5	15
Light Geese:			
SJBZ Zone	Same as for Dark Geese	5	15
North Zone	Same as for Dark Geese	5	15
South Zone	Same as for Dark Geese	5	15
Arkansas			
Ducks	Nov. 19–Nov. 27 & Dec. 8–Dec. 23 & Dec. 26–Jan. 29	6	18
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Ducks	5	10
Canada Geese	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 & Nov. 16–Dec. 2 & Dec. 4–Jan. 29	5	15
North Zone	Nov. 16–Dec. 2 & Dec. 4–Jan. 29	3	9
South Zone	Nov. 16–Dec. 2 & Dec. 4–Jan. 29	3	9
White-fronted Geese	Nov. 16–Dec. 2 & Dec. 4–Jan. 29	2	4
Brant	Closed	—	—
Light Geese	Same as for White-fronted Geese	20	—
Illinois			
Ducks:		6	18
North Zone	Oct. 15–Dec. 13		
Central Zone	Oct. 22–Dec. 20		
South Central Zone	Nov. 11–Jan. 9		
South Zone	Nov. 24–Jan. 22		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada Geese:			
North Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 & Oct. 15–Jan. 12	5	15
Central Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 & Oct. 22–Oct. 30 & Nov. 12–Jan. 31	2	6
		5	15
		2	6
		2	6

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
South Central Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 &	2	6
	Nov. 11–Jan. 31	2	6
South Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 15 &	2	6
	Nov. 24–Jan. 31	2	6
White-fronted Geese:			
North Zone	Oct. 17–Jan. 12	2	6
Central Zone	Nov. 5–Jan. 31	2	6
South Central Zone	Nov. 11–Jan. 31	2	6
South Zone	Nov. 24–Jan. 31	2	6
Light Geese:			
North Zone	Oct. 15–Jan. 12	20	—
Central Zone	Oct. 22–Jan. 31	20	—
South Central Zone	Nov. 11–Jan. 31	20	—
South Zone	Nov. 24–Jan. 31	20	—
Brant	Same as for Light Geese	1	3
<i>Indiana</i>			
Ducks:		6	18
North Zone	Oct. 22–Dec. 11 &		
	Dec. 24–Jan. 1		
Central Zone	Oct. 29–Nov. 6 &		
	Nov. 19–Jan. 8		
South Zone	Oct. 29–Nov. 6 &		
	Nov. 26–Jan. 15		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Dark Geese (1)(3):			
North Zone	Sept. 3–Sept. 11 &	5	15
	Oct. 22–Nov. 20 &	5	15
	Dec. 10–Feb. 12	5	15
Central Zone	Sept. 3–Sept. 11 &	5	15
	Oct. 29–Nov. 6 &	5	15
	Nov. 19–Feb. 12	5	15
South Zone	Sept. 3–Sept. 18 & Oct. 29–Nov. 6 & Nov. 26–Feb. 12.	5	15
		5	15
		5	15
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	—
<i>Iowa</i>			
Ducks:		6	18
North Zone	Sept. 24–Oct. 2 &		
	Oct. 15–Dec. 4		
Missouri River Zone	Oct. 8–Oct. 9 &		
	Oct. 22–Dec 18		
South Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 5 &		
	Oct. 22–Dec 15		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Dark Geese (1):			
Cedar Falls/Waterloo	Sept. 3–Sept. 11	5	15
Des Moines	Sept. 3–Sept. 11	5	15
Cedar Rapids/Iowa City	Sept. 3–Sept. 11	5	15
North Zone (4)	Sept. 24–Oct. 9 &	5	15
	Oct. 15–Oct. 31 &	5	15
	Nov. 1–Jan. 4	5	15
Missouri River Zone (4)	Oct. 8–Oct. 16 &	5	15
	Oct. 22–Oct. 31 &	5	15
	Nov. 1–Jan. 18	5	15
South Zone (4)	Oct. 1–Oct. 9 &	5	15
	Oct. 22–Oct. 31 &	5	15
	Nov. 1–Jan. 18	5	15
Light Geese:			
North Zone	Sept. 24–Oct. 9 &	20	—
	Oct. 15–Jan. 13	20	—
Missouri River Zone	Oct. 8–Oct. 16 &	20	—
	Oct. 22–Jan. 27	20	—
South Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 9 &	20	—
	Oct. 22–Jan. 27	20	—
<i>Kentucky</i>			
Ducks:		6	18

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
West Zone	Nov. 24–Nov. 27 &		
East Zone	Dec. 5–Jan. 29		
Mergansers	Same as West Zone		
Coots	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Canada Geese	Sept. 16–Sept. 30 &	15	45
White-fronted Geese	Nov. 24–Feb. 15	5	15
Brant	Nov. 24–Feb. 15	3	9
Light Geese	Nov. 24–Feb. 15	2	6
<i>Louisiana</i>	Nov. 24–Feb. 15	1	3
Ducks:	Nov. 24–Feb. 15	20	60
West Zone	Nov. 12–Dec. 4 &	6	18
East Zone (including Catahoula Lake)	Dec. 17–Jan. 22		
Coastal Zone	Nov. 19–Dec. 4 &		
Mergansers	Dec. 17–Jan. 29		
Coots	Nov. 12–Dec. 4 &	5	15
Canada Geese	Dec. 17–Jan. 22	15	45
White-fronted Geese	Same as for Ducks	3	9
Brant	Nov. 5–Dec. 4 &	3	9
Light Geese	Dec. 17–Jan. 31	2	6
<i>Michigan</i>	Nov. 5–Dec. 4 &	2	6
Ducks:	Dec. 17–Feb. 12	—	—
North Zone	Closed	20	—
Middle Zone	Same as for White-fronted Geese	6	18
South Zone	Sept. 24–Nov. 20 &		
Mergansers	Nov. 26–Nov. 27		
Coots	Oct. 1–Nov. 27 &		
Canada Geese:	Dec. 17–Dec. 18		
North Zone	Oct. 8–Dec. 4 &	5	15
Middle Zone	Dec. 31–Jan. 1	15	45
South Zone:	Same as for Ducks	3	9
Muskegon Wastewater GMU	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 &	3	9
Allegan County GMU	Oct. 1–Dec. 16	3	9
Saginaw County GMU	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 &	5	15
Tuscola/Huron GMU	Oct. 1–Dec. 14 &	3	9
Remainder of South Zone	Dec. 17–Dec. 18	3	9
White-fronted Geese:	Oct. 15–Nov. 12 &	3	9
North Zone	Dec. 3–Dec. 20	3	9
Middle Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 7 &	5	15
South Zone:	Nov. 5–Dec. 23 &	3	9
Muskegon Wastewater GMU	Dec. 26–Feb. 12	3	9
Allegan County GMU	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 &	5	15
Saginaw County GMU	Oct. 8–Dec. 4 &	3	9
Tuscola/Huron GMU	Dec. 31–Jan. 1 &	3	9
Remainder of South Zone	Jan. 21–Feb. 11	3	9
White-fronted Geese:	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 &	5	15
North Zone	Oct. 8–Dec. 4 &	3	9
Middle Zone	Dec. 31–Jan. 1 &	3	9
South Zone:	Jan. 21–Feb. 11	3	9
Muskegon Wastewater GMU	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 &	5	15
Allegan County GMU	Oct. 8–Dec. 4 &	3	9
Saginaw County GMU	Dec. 31–Jan. 1 &	3	9
Tuscola/Huron GMU	Jan. 21–Feb. 11	3	9
Remainder of South Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 &	5	15
White-fronted Geese:	Oct. 8–Dec. 4 &	3	9
North Zone	Dec. 31–Jan. 1 &	3	9
Middle Zone	Jan. 21–Feb. 11	3	9
South Zone:	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 &	5	15
Muskegon Wastewater GMU	Oct. 8–Dec. 4 &	3	9
Allegan County GMU	Dec. 31–Jan. 1	3	9
Saginaw County GMU	Jan. 21–Feb. 11	3	9
Tuscola/Huron GMU	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 &	5	15
Remainder of South Zone	Oct. 8–Dec. 4 &	3	9
White-fronted Geese:	Dec. 31–Jan. 1	3	9
North Zone	Jan. 21–Feb. 11	3	9
Middle Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 &	5	15
South Zone:	Oct. 8–Dec. 4 &	3	9
Muskegon Wastewater GMU	Dec. 31–Jan. 1	3	9
Allegan County GMU	Jan. 21–Feb. 11	3	9
Saginaw County GMU	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 &	5	15
Tuscola/Huron GMU	Oct. 8–Dec. 4 &	3	9
Remainder of South Zone	Dec. 31–Jan. 1	3	9

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Remainder of South Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 &	1	3
	Oct. 8–Dec. 4 &	1	3
	Dec. 31–Jan. 1	1	3
Light Geese:			
North Zone	Same as for Canada Geese	20	—
Middle Zone	Same as for Canada Geese	20	—
South Zone:			
Muskegon Wastewater GMU	Same as for Canada Geese	20	—
Allegan County GMU	Same as for Canada Geese	20	—
Saginaw County GMU	Same as for White-fronted Geese	20	—
Tuscola/Huron GMU	Same as for White-fronted Geese	20	—
Remainder of South Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 25 &	20	—
	Oct. 8–Dec. 4 &	20	—
	Dec. 31–Jan. 1	20	—
Brant:			
North Zone	Same as for White-fronted Geese	1	3
Middle Zone	Same as for White-fronted Geese	1	3
South Zone	Same as for White-fronted Geese	1	3
<i>Minnesota</i>			
Ducks:		6	18
North Zone	Sept. 24–Nov. 22		
Central Zone	Sept. 24–Oct. 2 &		
	Oct. 8–Nov. 27		
South Zone	Sept. 24–Oct. 2 &		
	Oct. 15–Dec. 4		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots (5)	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Dark Geese (1):			
North Zone (6)	Sept. 3–Sept. 18 &	5	15
	Sept. 24–Dec. 23	5	15
Central Zone (6)	Sept. 3–Sept. 18 &	5	15
	Sept. 24–Oct. 2 &	5	15
	Oct. 8–Dec. 28	5	15
South Zone (6)	Sept. 3–Sept. 18 &	5	15
	Sept. 24–Oct. 2 &	5	15
	Oct. 15–Jan. 4	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	Nov. 25–Nov. 27 &	6	18
	Dec. 2–Dec. 4 &	6	18
	Dec. 7–Jan. 29	6	18
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada Geese	Sept. 1–Sept 30 &	5	15
	Nov. 12–Nov. 27 &	3	9
	Dec. 15–Jan. 29 &	3	9
	Feb. 4–Feb. 15	3	9
White-fronted Geese	Nov. 12–Nov. 27 &	3	9
	Dec. 15–Jan. 29 &	3	9
	Feb. 4–Feb. 15	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:		6	18
North Zone	Oct. 29–Dec. 27		
Middle Zone	Nov. 5–Jan. 3		
South Zone	Nov. 24–Jan. 22		
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada Geese and Brant:			
North Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 9 &	3	9
	Nov. 11–Feb. 6	3	9
Middle Zone	Same as North Zone	3	9
South Zone	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	—

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Middle Zone	Same as North Zone	20	—
South Zone	Same as North Zone	20	—
<i>Ohio</i>			
Ducks (7): .....	.....	6	18
Lake Erie Marsh Zone	Oct. 15–Oct. 30 &		
	Nov. 12–Dec. 25		
North Zone	Oct. 22–Nov. 6 &		
	Nov. 19–Jan. 1		
South Zone	Oct. 22–Nov. 6 &		
	Dec. 17–Jan. 29		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Dark Geese (1)(8):			
Lake Erie Goose Zone	Sept. 3–Sept. 11 &	5	15
	Oct. 15–Oct. 30 &	3	9
	Nov. 12–Dec. 25 &	3	9
	Jan. 7–Feb. 11	3	9
North Zone	Sept. 3–Sept. 11 &	5	15
	Oct. 22–Nov. 6 &	3	9
	Nov. 19–Jan. 1 &	3	9
	Jan. 7–Feb. 11	3	9
Pymatuning	Sept. 3–Sept. 11 &	3	9
	Oct. 22–Nov. 6 &	3	9
	Nov. 19–Jan. 1 &	3	9
	Jan. 7–Jan. 30	3	9
South Zone	Sept. 3–Sept. 11 &	3	9
	Oct. 22–Nov. 6 &	3	9
	Nov. 24–Feb. 11	3	9
Light Geese:			
Lake Erie Goose Zone	Oct. 15–Oct. 30 &	10	30
	Nov. 12–Dec. 25 &	10	30
	Jan. 7–Feb. 11	10	30
North Zone	Oct. 22–Nov. 6 &	10	30
	Nov. 19–Jan. 1 &	10	30
	Jan. 7–Feb. 11	10	30
Pymatuning	Oct. 22–Nov. 6 &	10	30
	Nov. 19–Jan. 1 &	10	30
	Jan. 7–Jan. 30	10	30
South Zone	Oct. 22–Nov. 6 &	10	30
	Nov. 24–Feb. 11	10	30
<i>Tennessee</i>			
Ducks: .....	.....	6	18
Reelfoot Zone	Nov. 12–Nov. 13 &		
	Dec. 3–Jan. 29		
Rest of State	Nov. 26–Nov. 27 &		
	Dec. 3–Jan. 29		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada Geese:			
Northwest Zone	Oct. 8–Oct. 12 &	5	15
	Nov. 12–Nov. 13 &	5	15
	Dec. 3–Feb. 11	5	15
Rest of State	Oct. 8–Oct. 25 &	5	15
	Nov. 26–Nov. 27 &	5	15
	Dec. 3–Jan. 29	5	15
White-fronted Geese:			
Northwest Zone	Nov. 26–Nov. 27 &	2	6
	Dec. 3–Feb. 11	2	6
Rest of State	Same as Northwest Zone	2	6
Brant:			
Northwest Zone	Nov. 26–Nov. 27 &	2	6
	Dec. 3–Jan. 29	2	6
Rest of State	Same as Northwest Zone	2	6
Light Geese	Same as White-fronted Geese	20	—
<i>Wisconsin</i>			
Ducks (7): .....	.....	6	18
North Zone	Sept. 24–Nov. 22		
South Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 9 &		
	Oct. 15–Dec. 4		
Mississippi River Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 7 &		
	Oct. 15–Dec. 6		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada Geese:			
North Zone (9)	Sept. 1–Sept. 15	5	15
	Sept. 16–Dec. 16	2	6
South Zone (9)	Sept. 1–Sept. 15	5	15
	Sept. 16–Oct. 9 &	2	6
	Oct. 15–Dec. 21	2	6
Horicon Zone (9)(10)	Sept. 1–Sept. 15	5	15
	Sept. 16–Dec. 16	2	6
Mississippi River Zone (9)	Sept. 1–Sept. 15	5	15
	Oct. 1–Oct. 7 &	2	6
	Oct. 15–Jan. 5	2	6
White-fronted Geese:			
North Zone	Sept. 16–Dec. 16	2	6
South Zone	Sept. 16–Oct. 9 &	2	6
	Oct. 15–Dec. 21	2	6
Horicon Zone	Sept. 16–Dec. 16	1	3
Mississippi River Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 7 &	2	6
	Oct. 15–Jan. 5	2	6
Brant	Same as for White-fronted Geese	1	3
Light Geese	Same as for White-fronted Geese	20	—

- (1) The dark goose daily bag limit is an aggregate daily bag limit for Canada geese, white-fronted geese, and brant.
- (2) In *Alabama*, the dark goose daily bag limit may not include more than 1 brant. Additionally, after September 30, the daily bag may not include more than 3 Canada geese.
- (3) In *Indiana*, the dark goose daily bag limit of 5 may include 5 Canada geese during September 3 through September 11 in the North and Central Zones and during September 3 through September 18 in the South Zone. During all other open season segments, the dark goose daily bag limit may not include more than 3 Canada geese. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.
- (4) In *Iowa*, in the North Zone, the Missouri River Zone, and the South Zone, the dark goose daily bag limit may not include more than 2 Canada geese until November 1. After such time, the daily bag limit may not include more than 3 Canada geese. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.
- (5) In *Minnesota*, the daily bag limit is 15 and the possession limit is 45 coots and moorhens in the aggregate.
- (6) In *Minnesota*, the dark goose daily bag limit may not include more than 1 brant. Additionally, after September 18, the daily bag may not include more than 3 Canada geese.
- (7) In *Ohio* and *Wisconsin*, the daily bag limit may include no more than one female mallard.
- (8) In *Ohio*, only Canada geese may be taken during the September 3 to September 11 portion of the dark goose season.
- (9) In *Wisconsin*, a special Early Canada goose season permit is required for September 1 through 15.
- (10) In *Wisconsin*, a state tag is required for Canada goose harvest. See State regulations for further information.

CENTRAL FLYWAY

Flyway-Wide Restrictions

Duck Limits: The daily bag limit is 6 ducks, which may include no more than 5 mallards (2 female mallards), 1 mottled duck, 2 pintails, 2 canvasbacks,

2 redheads, 3 scaup, and 3 wood ducks. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

Merganser Limits: The daily bag limit is 5 mergansers and may include no more than 2 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 2 may be hooded mergansers. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<i>Colorado</i>			
Ducks: .....	.....	6	18
Southeast Zone	Oct. 26–Jan. 29.		
Northeast Zone:	Oct. 8–Nov. 28 & Dec. 17–Jan. 29.		
Mountain/Foothills Zone:	Oct. 1–Nov. 28 & Dec. 24–Jan. 29.		
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Dark Geese:			
Northern Front Range Unit	Oct. 1–Oct. 19 &	5	15
	Nov. 19–Feb. 12	5	15
South Park/San Luis Valley Unit	Same as N. Front Range Unit	5	15
North Park Unit	Same as N. Front Range Unit	5	15
Rest of State in Central Flyway	Oct. 31–Feb. 12	5	15
Light Geese:			
Northern Front Range Unit	Oct. 29–Feb. 12	50	
South Park/San Luis Valley Unit	Same as N. Front Range Unit	50	
North Park Unit	Same as N. Front Range Unit	50	
Rest of State in Central Flyway	Same as N. Front Range Unit	50	
<i>Kansas</i>			

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Ducks:		6	18
High Plains	Oct. 8–Jan. 1 & Jan. 20–Jan. 29.		
Low Plains:			
Early Zone	Oct. 8–Dec. 4 & Dec. 17–Jan. 1.		
Late Zone	Oct. 29–Jan. 1 & Jan. 21–Jan. 29.		
Southeast Zone	Nov. 12–Jan. 1 & Jan. 7–Jan. 29.		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Dark Geese (1)	Oct. 29–Jan. 1 &	6	18
	Jan. 4–Feb. 12	6	18
White-fronted Geese	Oct. 29–Jan. 1 &	2	6
	Jan. 21–Feb. 12	2	6
Light Geese	Oct. 29–Jan. 1 &	50	
	Jan. 4–Feb. 12	50	
<i>Montana</i>			
Ducks and Mergansers (2):		6	18
Zone 1	Oct. 1–Jan. 5.		
Zone 2	Oct. 1–Oct. 9 & Oct. 22–Jan. 17.		
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Dark Geese:			
Zone 1	Oct. 1–Jan. 8 &	5	15
	Jan. 14–Jan. 18	5	15
Zone 2	Oct. 1–Oct. 9 &	5	15
	Oct. 22–Jan. 25	5	15
Light Geese:			
Zone 1	Same as for Dark Geese	20	60
Zone 2	Same as for Dark Geese	20	60
<i>Nebraska</i>			
Ducks:		6	18
Zone 1	Oct. 15–Dec. 27..		
Zone 2:			
Low Plains	Oct. 8–Dec. 20.		
High Plains	Oct. 8–Dec. 20 & Jan. 9–Jan. 29.		
Zone 3:			
Low Plains	Oct. 27–Jan. 8.		
High Plains	Oct. 27–Jan. 8 & Jan. 9–Jan. 29.		
Zone 4	Oct. 8–Dec. 20.		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada Geese:			
Niobrara Unit	Oct. 31–Feb. 12	5	15
East Unit	Oct. 31–Feb. 12	5	15
North Central Unit	Oct. 8–Jan. 20	5	15
Platte River Unit	Oct. 31–Feb. 12	5	15
Panhandle Unit	Oct. 31–Feb. 12	5	15
White-fronted Geese	Oct. 8–Dec. 11 &	3	9
	Feb. 4–Feb. 12	3	9
Light Geese	Oct. 8–Jan. 1 &	50	
	Jan. 25–Feb. 12	50	
<i>New Mexico</i>			
Ducks and Mergansers (3):		6	18
North Zone	Oct. 15–Jan. 18.		
South Zone	Oct. 26–Jan. 29.		
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Dark Geese (4):			
Middle Rio Grande Valley Unit (4)	Dec. 24–Jan. 17	2	2
Rest of State	Oct. 15–Jan. 29	5	15
Light Geese	Oct. 15–Jan. 29	50	
<i>North Dakota</i>			
Ducks (2):		6	18
High Plains	Sept. 24–Dec. 4 &		
	Dec. 10–Jan. 1.		
Remainder of State	Sept. 24–Dec. 4.		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Canada Geese (5):			
Missouri River Zone	Sept. 24–Dec. 30	5	15
Rest of State	Sept. 24–Dec. 22	8	24
White-fronted Geese	Sept. 24–Dec. 4	3	9
Light Geese	Sept. 24–Jan. 1	50	
<i>Oklahoma</i>			
Ducks: .....	.....	6	18
High Plains	Oct. 15–Jan. 11.		
Low Plains:			
Zone 1:	Oct. 29–Nov. 27 &		
	Dec. 10–Jan. 22.		
Zone 2:	Nov. 5–Nov. 27 &		
	Dec. 10–Jan. 29.		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada Geese	Oct. 29–Nov. 27 &	8	24
	Dec. 10–Feb. 12	8	24
White-fronted Geese	Oct. 29–Nov. 27 &	2	6
	Dec. 10–Feb. 5	2	6
Light Geese	Oct. 29–Nov. 27 &	50	
	Dec. 10–Feb. 12	50	
<i>South Dakota</i>			
Ducks (2): .....	.....	6	18
High Plains	Oct. 8–Dec. 20 &		
	Dec. 21–Jan. 12.		
Low Plains:			
North Zone	Sept. 24–Dec. 6.		
Middle Zone	Sept. 24–Dec. 6.		
South Zone	Oct. 8–Dec. 20.		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Canada Geese:			
Unit 1	Oct. 1–Dec. 18	8	24
Unit 2	Oct. 31–Feb. 12	4	12
Unit 3	Oct. 15–Dec. 18 &	4	12
	Jan. 14–Jan. 22	4	12
White-fronted Geese	Sept. 24–Dec. 18	2	6
Light Geese	Sept. 24–Dec. 18	50	
<i>Texas</i>			
Ducks (6): .....	.....	6	18
High Plains	Oct. 29–Oct. 30 &		
	Nov. 4–Jan. 29.		
Low Plains:			
North Zone	Nov. 12–Nov. 27 &		
	Dec. 3–Jan. 29.		
South Zone	Nov. 5–Nov. 27 &		
	Dec. 10–Jan. 29.		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Dark Geese (7):			
East Tier:			
South Zone	Nov. 5–Jan. 29	5	15
North Zone	Nov. 5–Jan. 29	5	15
West Tier	Nov. 5–Feb. 5	5	15
Light Geese:			
East Tier:			
South Zone	Nov. 5–Jan. 29	20	
North Zone	Nov. 5–Jan. 29	20	
West Tier	Nov. 5–Feb. 5	20	
<i>Wyoming</i>			
Ducks (2)(8): .....	.....	6	18
Zone C1	Oct. 1–Oct. 18 &		
	Oct. 29–Jan. 15.		
Zone C2	Sept. 24–Dec. 4 &		
	Dec. 10–Jan. 3.		
Zone C3	Same as Zone C2.		
Mergansers	Same as for Ducks	5	15
Coots	Same as for Ducks	15	45
Dark Geese:			
Zone G1A (8)	Oct. 1–Oct. 18 &	2	6
	Nov. 18–Feb. 12	4	12

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Zone G1	Oct. 1–Oct. 18 &	5	15
	Oct. 29–Nov. 27 &	5	15
	Dec. 3–Jan. 28	5	15
Zone G2	Sept. 24–Dec. 4 &	5	15
	Dec. 10–Jan. 11	5	15
Zone G3	Same as Zone G2	5	15
Light Geese	Oct. 1–Dec. 29 &	10	30
	Jan. 29–Feb. 12	10	30

- (1) In *Kansas*, the dark geese daily bag limit includes Canada geese, brant, and all other geese except white-fronted geese and light geese.
- (2) In *Montana*, during the first 9 days of the duck season, and in *North Dakota*, *South Dakota*, and *Wyoming*, 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.
- (3) In *New Mexico*, Mexican-like ducks are included in the aggregate with mallards.
- (4) In *New Mexico*, the season for dark geese is closed in Bernalillo, Sandoval, Sierra, and Valencia Counties. In the Middle Rio Grande Valley Unit, a limited season is established. See State regulations for additional information.
- (5) In *North Dakota*, see State regulations for additional shooting hour restrictions.
- (6) In *Texas*, the daily bag limit is 6 ducks, which may include no more than 5 mallards (only 2 of which may be females), 2 redheads, 3 wood ducks, 3 scaup, 2 canvasbacks, 2 pintails, and 1 dusky duck (mottled duck, Mexican-like duck, black duck and their hybrids). The season for dusky ducks is closed the first 5 days of the season in all zones. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.
- (7) In *Texas*, the daily bag limit for dark geese is 5 in the aggregate and may include no more than 2 white-fronted geese. Possession limits are three times the daily bag limits.
- (8) See State regulations for additional restrictions.

Pacific Flyway
 Flyway-Wide Restrictions
 Duck and Merganser Limits: The daily bag limit of 7 ducks (including mergansers) may include no more than 2 female mallards, 2 pintails, 2 redheads, 3 scaup, and 2 canvasbacks. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

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

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<i>Arizona</i>			
Ducks (1): .....	.....	7	21
North Zone:			
Scaup	Oct. 22–Jan. 15	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 7–Jan. 15	7	21
South Zone:			
Scaup	Nov. 5–Jan. 29	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 21–Jan. 29	7	21
Coots and Moorhens	Same as for Other Ducks	25	75
Dark Geese:			
North Zone	Oct. 7–Jan. 15	4	12
South Zone	Oct. 21–Jan. 29	4	12
Light Geese	Same as for Dark geese	10	30
<i>California</i>			
Ducks: .....	.....	7	21
Northeastern Zone:			
Scaup	Oct. 8–Dec. 4 &	3	9
	Dec. 24–Jan. 20	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 8–Jan. 20	7	21
Colorado River Zone:			
Scaup	Nov. 5–Jan. 29	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 21–Jan. 29	7	21
Southern Zone:			
Scaup	Nov. 5–Jan. 29	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 22–Jan. 29	7	21
Southern San Joaquin Valley Zone:			
Scaup	Nov. 5–Jan. 29	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 22–Jan. 29	7	21
Balance of State Zone:			
Scaup	Nov. 5–Jan. 29	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 22–Jan. 29	7	21
Coots and Moorhens	Same as for Other Ducks	25	25
Canada Geese (2) (3):			
Northeastern Zone (4)	Oct. 8–Jan. 15	10	30
Colorado River Zone	Oct. 21–Jan. 29	4	12
Southern Zone	Oct. 22–Jan. 29	3	9
Balance of State Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 5 &	10	30
	Oct. 22–Jan. 29	10	30

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
North Coast Special Management Area	Nov. 7–Jan. 29 &	10	30
	Feb. 18–Mar. 10	10	30
White-fronted Geese (2):			
Northeastern Zone	Oct. 8–Jan. 15 &	10	30
	Mar. 4–Mar. 8	10	30
Colorado River Zone	Oct. 21–Jan. 29	4	12
Southern Zone	Oct. 22–Jan. 29	3	9
Balance of State Zone	Oct. 22–Jan. 29 &	10	30
	Feb. 11–Feb. 15	10	30
Sacramento Valley Special Management Area	Oct. 22–Dec. 21	3	9
Light Geese:			
Northeastern Zone	Oct. 8–Dec. 4 &	15	45
	Jan. 7–Jan. 20 &	15	45
	Feb. 6–Mar. 10	15	45
Colorado River Zone	Oct. 21–Jan. 29	10	30
Southern Zone	Oct. 22–Jan. 29	15	45
Imperial County Special Management Area	Nov. 5–Jan. 29 &	15	45
	Feb. 4–Feb. 20	15	45
Balance of State Zone	Oct. 22–Jan. 29 &	15	45
	Feb. 11–Feb. 15	15	45
Brant:			
Northern Zone	Nov. 8–Dec. 14	2	6
Balance of State Zone	Nov. 9–Dec. 15	2	6
Colorado			
Ducks:		7	21
East Zone:			
Scaup	Oct. 1–Dec. 25	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 1–Jan. 13	7	21
West Zone:			
Scaup	Oct. 1–Oct. 19 &	3	9
	Nov. 5–Jan. 10	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 1–Oct. 19 &	7	21
	Nov. 5–Jan. 29	7	21
Coots	Same as for Other Ducks	25	75
Dark Geese:			
East Zone	Oct. 1–Jan. 4	4	12
West Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 10 &	4	12
	Nov. 5–Jan. 29	4	12
Light Geese:	Same as for Canada Geese	10	30
Idaho			
Ducks:		7	21
Zone 1:			
Scaup	Oct. 22–Jan. 13	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 1–Jan. 13	7	21
Zone 2:			
Scaup	Oct. 22–Jan. 13	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 1–Jan. 13	7	21
Zone 3:			
Scaup	Nov. 5–Jan. 27	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 15–Jan. 27	7	21
Coots	Same as for Other Ducks	25	75
Canada Geese and Brant:			
Zone 1	Oct. 1–Jan. 13	4	12
Zone 2	Oct. 1–Jan. 13	4	12
Zone 3	Oct. 15–Jan. 27	4	12
Zone 4	Oct. 1–Dec. 29	4	12
White-fronted Geese:			
Zone 1	Oct. 1–Jan. 13	10	30
Zone 2	Oct. 1–Jan. 13	10	30
Zone 3	Nov. 7–Feb. 19	10	30
Light Geese:			
Zone 1	Oct. 1–Jan. 13	20	60
Zone 2	Oct. 29–Jan. 13 &	20	60
	Feb. 11–Mar. 10	20	60
Zone 3	Nov. 26–Mar. 10	20	60
Zone 4 (5)	Oct. 1–Jan. 13	20	60
Montana			
Ducks:		7	21
Scaup	Oct. 1–Dec. 25	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 1–Jan. 8 &	7	21
	Jan. 14–Jan. 18	7	21
Coots	Same as for Other Ducks	25	25

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Dark Geese (6)	Oct. 1–Jan. 8 &	4	12
	Jan. 14–Jan. 18	4	12
Light Geese (6)	Same as for Dark Geese	20	60
<i>Nevada</i>			
Ducks: .....	.....	7	21
Northeast Zone:			
Scaup	Oct. 1–Oct. 23 &	3	9
	Oct. 26–Dec. 27	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 1–Oct. 23 &	7	21
	Oct. 26–Jan. 15	7	21
Northwest Zone:			
Scaup	Oct. 29–Jan. 22	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 8–Oct. 23 &	7	21
	Oct. 26–Jan. 22	7	21
South Zone:			
Scaup	Nov. 5–Jan. 29	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 15–Oct. 23 &	7	21
	Oct. 26–Jan. 29	7	21
Moapa Valley Special Management Area (7):			
Scaup	Nov. 5–Jan. 29	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 29–Jan. 29	7	21
Coots and Moorhens	Same as for Other Ducks	25	75
Canada Geese and Brant:			
Northeast Zone	Same as for Other Ducks	4	12
Northwest Zone	Same as for Other Ducks	4	12
South Zone	Same as for Other Ducks	4	12
Moapa Valley Special Management Area (7):	Same as for Other Ducks	4	12
White-fronted Geese:			
Northeast Zone	Same as for Canada Geese	10	30
Northwest Zone	Same as for Canada Geese	10	30
South Zone	Same as for Canada Geese	10	30
Moapa Valley Special Management Area (7):	Same as for Canada Geese	10	30
Light Geese (8):			
Northeast Zone	Oct. 26–Jan. 15 &	20	60
	Feb. 25–Mar. 10	20	60
Northwest Zone	Oct. 26–Jan. 22 &	20	60
	Feb. 25–Mar. 10	20	60
South Zone	Oct. 15–Oct. 23 &	20	60
	Oct. 26–Jan. 29	20	60
	Oct. 29–Jan. 29	20	60
Moapa Valley Special Management Area (7):			
<i>New Mexico</i>			
Ducks: .....	.....	7	21
Scaup	Oct. 17–Jan. 10	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 17–Jan. 29	7	21
Coots and Moorhens	Same as for Other Ducks	25	75
Canada Geese and Brant:			
North Zone	Sept. 24–Oct. 9 &	3	9
	Oct. 31–Jan. 29	3	9
South Zone	Oct. 15–Jan. 29	3	9
White-fronted Geese:			
North Zone	Same as for Canada Geese	10	30
South Zone	Same as for Canada Geese	10	30
Light Geese:			
North Zone	Same as for Canada Geese	20	60
South Zone	Same as for Canada Geese	20	60
<i>Oregon</i>			
Ducks: .....	.....	7	21
Zone 1:			
Columbia Basin Unit:			
Scaup	Nov. 5–Jan. 29	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 15–Oct. 30 &	7	21
	Nov. 2–Jan. 29	7	21
Rest of Zone 1	Same as Columbia Basin Unit.		
Zone 2:			
Scaup	Oct. 8–Nov. 27 &	3	9
	Nov. 30–Jan. 3	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 8–Nov. 27 &	7	21
	Nov. 30–Jan. 22	7	21
Coots	Same as for Other Ducks	25	75
Canada Geese:			
Northwest Permit Zone (9) (10)	Oct. 22–Oct. 30 &	4	12
	Nov. 19–Jan. 9 &	4	12
	Feb. 4–Mar. 10	4	12

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Tillamook County Management Area	Closed.		
Southwest Zone	Oct. 15–Oct. 30 & Nov. 7–Jan. 29	4	12
South Coast Zone	Oct. 1–Nov. 27 & Dec. 17–Jan. 11 & Feb. 18–Mar. 10	6	18
Eastern Zone	Oct. 15–Oct. 30 & Nov. 7–Jan. 29	4	12
Klamath County Zone	Oct. 8–Nov. 27 & Dec. 12–Jan. 29	4	12
Harney and Lake County Zone	Oct. 8–Nov. 27 & Dec. 12–Jan. 29	4	12
Malheur County Zone	Oct. 8–Nov. 27 & Dec. 12–Jan. 29	4	12
White-fronted Geese:			
Northwest Permit Zone (9)	Same as for Canada Geese	10	30
Tillamook County Management Area	Closed.		
Southwest Zone	Same as for Canada Geese	10	30
South Coast Zone	Same as for Canada Geese	10	30
Eastern Zone	Same as for Canada Geese	10	30
Klamath County Zone	Oct. 8–Nov. 27 & Jan. 16–Mar. 10	10	30
Harney and Lake County Zone (11)	Oct. 8–Nov. 27 & Jan. 16–Mar. 10	10	30
Malheur County Zone	Oct. 8–Nov. 27 & Jan. 16–Mar. 10	10	30
Light Geese:			
Northwest Permit Zone (9)	Same as for Canada Geese	6	18
Tillamook County Management Area	Closed.		
Southwest Zone	Same as for Canada Geese	6	18
South Coast Zone	Same as for Canada Geese	6	18
Eastern Zone	Same as for Canada Geese	6	18
Klamath County Zone (12)	Oct. 8–Nov. 27 & Jan. 16–Mar. 10	6	18
Harney and Lake County Zone (12)	Oct. 8–Nov. 27 & Jan. 16–Mar. 10	6	18
Malheur County Zone (12)	Oct. 8–Nov. 27 & Jan. 16–Mar. 10	6	18
Brant	Nov. 26–Dec. 11	2	6
Utah			
Ducks:		7	21
Zone 1:			
Scaup	Oct. 1–Dec. 25	3	9
Other Ducks	Oct. 1–Jan. 14	7	21
Zone 2:			
Scaup	Same as Zone 1	3	9
Other Ducks	Same as Zone 1	7	21
Coots	Same as for Other Ducks	25	75
Canada Geese and Brant:			
Northern Zone	Oct. 1–Jan. 14	4	12
Wasatch Front Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 13 & Nov. 5–Feb. 5	4	12
Washington County Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 13 & Nov. 5–Feb. 5	4	12
Balance of State Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 13 & Oct. 22–Jan. 22	4	12
White-fronted Geese:			
Northern Zone	Same as for Canada Geese	10	30
Wasatch Front Zone	Same as for Canada Geese	10	30
Washington County Zone	Same as for Canada Geese	10	30
Balance of State Zone	Same as for Canada Geese	10	30
Light Geese:			
Northern Zone	Oct. 25–Nov. 30 & Jan. 1–Mar. 10	20	60
Wasatch Front Zone	Oct. 25–Nov. 30 & Jan. 1–Mar. 10	20	60
Washington County Zone	Same as for Wasatch County Zone	20	60
Balance of State Zone	Same as for Wasatch County Zone	20	60
Washington			
Ducks:		7	21
East Zone:			
Scaup	Nov. 5–Jan. 29	3	9

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Other Ducks	Oct. 15–Oct 19 &	7	21
	Oct. 22–Jan. 29	7	21
West Zone (13)	Same as East Zone.		
Coots	Same as for Other Ducks	25	75
Canada Geese (14):			
Area 1 (15)	Oct. 15–Oct. 27 &	4	12
	Nov. 5–Jan. 29	4	12
Area 2A (16) (17)	Oct. 15–Oct. 23 &	4	12
	Nov. 26–Jan. 22 &	4	12
	Feb. 11–Mar. 8	4	12
Area 2B (16) (17)	Oct. 15–Oct. 23 &	4	12
	Nov. 26–Jan. 22 &	4	12
	Feb. 11–Mar. 8	4	12
Area 3 (15)	Oct. 15–Oct. 27 &	4	12
	Nov. 5–Jan. 29	4	12
Area 4 (15)	Oct. 15–Oct. 16 &	4	12
	Oct. 19 &	4	12
	Oct. 23–Jan. 29	4	12
Area 5 (15)	Oct. 15–Oct. 17 &	4	12
	Oct. 22–Jan. 29	4	12
White-fronted Geese (14):			
Area 1 (15)	Oct. 15–Jan. 29	4	12
Area 2A (16)	Same as for Canada Geese	4	12
Area 2B (16)	Same as for Canada Geese	4	12
Area 3 (15)	Same as for Canada Geese	4	12
Area 4 (15)	Same as for Canada Geese	4	12
Area 5 (15)	Same as for Canada Geese	4	12
Light Geese (14):			
Area 1 (15)	Oct. 15–Jan. 29	4	12
Area 2A (16)	Same as for Canada Geese	4	12
Area 2B (16)	Same as for Canada Geese	4	12
Area 3 (15)	Same as for Canada Geese	4	12
Area 4 (15)	Same as for Canada Geese	4	12
Area 5 (15)	Same as for Canada Geese	4	12
Brant (18):			
Skagit County	Jan. 7–Jan. 22	2	6
Pacific County	Jan. 7–Jan. 22	2	6
Wyoming			
Ducks:		7	21
Snake River Zone:			
Scaup	Sept. 24–Dec. 18	3	9
Other Ducks	Sept. 24–Jan. 6	7	21
Balance of State Zone			
Scaup	Sept. 24–Dec. 18	3	9
Other Ducks	Sept. 24–Jan. 6	7	21
Coots	Same as for Other Ducks	15	45
Dark Geese	Sept. 24–Dec. 29	3	9
Light Geese	Closed.		

(1) In *Arizona*, the daily bag limit may include no more than either 2 female mallards or 2 Mexican-like ducks, or 1 of each; and not more than 6 female mallards and Mexican-like ducks, in the aggregate, may be in possession.

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

(3) In *California*, small Canada geese are Cackling and Aleutian Canada 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 2 large Canada geese.

(5) In *Idaho*, the season on light geese is closed in Fremont and Teton Counties.

(6) In *Montana*, check State regulations for special seasons and exceptions in Freezeout Lake WMA; Canyon Ferry; Flathead; and Deer Lodge County.

(7) In *Nevada*, youth 17 years of age or younger are allowed to hunt on October 15 on the Moapa Valley portion of Overton Wildlife Management Area. Youth must be accompanied by an adult who is at least 18 years of age.

(8) In *Nevada*, there is no open season on light geese in Ruby Valley within Elko and White Pine Counties. In addition, the season is closed in Kirch WMA, Mason Valley WMA, and Scripps WMA and Washoe State Park from February 25 to March 9.

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

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

(11) In *Oregon*, in Lake County, the daily bag and possession limit for white-fronted geese is 1 and 3, respectively.

(12) In *Oregon*, in the Klamath County, the Harney and Lake County, and Malheur County Zones, during January 30 through March 10, the daily bag limit for light geese is 20. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

(13) In *Washington*, the daily bag limit in the West Zone may include no more than 2 scoters, 2 long-tailed ducks, and 2 goldeneyes, with the possession limit three times the daily bag limit. The daily bag and possession limit, and the season limit, for harlequins is 1.

(14) In *Washington*, the daily bag limit is 4 Canada geese, white-fronted geese, or light geese, singly or in the aggregate. Possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

(15) In *Washington*, in Area 4, hunting is allowed only on Saturdays, Sundays, Wednesdays, and certain holidays. In State Areas 1, 3, and 5, hunting is allowed everyday. See State regulations for details, including shooting hours.

(16) In *Washington*, in Areas 2A and 2B, see State regulations for specific dates, times, and conditions of permit hunts and closures.

(17) In *Washington*, in Areas 2A and 2B, the season for Dusky Canada geese is closed.

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

(f) *Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days.* cannot duck hunt but may participate in hunters. However, youth hunters may
 The following seasons are open only other open seasons. not be over the age of 17. Youth hunters
 to youth hunters. Youth hunters must be Definition 16 years of age and older must possess
 accompanied into the field by an adult *Youth Hunters:* States may use their a Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and
 at least 18 years of age. This adult established definition of age for youth Conservation Stamp (also known as
 Federal Duck Stamp).

		Season dates
ATLANTIC FLYWAY:		
<i>Connecticut</i>	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots	Oct. 1 & Nov. 5
<i>Delaware</i>	Ducks, geese, brant, mergansers, and coots	Oct. 22 & Feb. 11
<i>Florida</i>	Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and geese	Feb. 4 & 5
<i>Georgia</i>	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Nov. 12 & 13
<i>Maine</i>	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots:	
	North Zone	Sept. 17 & Dec. 10
	South Zone	Sept. 24 & Oct. 22
	Coastal Zone	Sept. 24 & Nov. 5
<i>Maryland</i> (1)(2)	Ducks, coots, light geese, Canada geese, sea ducks, and brant	Nov. 5 & Feb. 11
<i>Massachusetts</i>	Ducks, mergansers, coots, and geese	Sept. 24 & Oct. 8
<i>New Hampshire</i>	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 24 & 25
<i>New Jersey</i>	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules:	
	North Zone	Oct. 1 & Feb. 4
	South Zone	Oct. 15 & Feb. 4
	Coastal Zone	Nov. 5 & Feb. 11
<i>New York</i> (3)	Ducks, mergansers, coots, brant, and Canada geese:	
	Long Island Zone	Nov. 12 & 13
	Lake Champlain Zone	Sept. 24 & 25
	Northeastern Zone	Sept. 17 & 18
	Southeastern Zone	Sept. 17 & 18
	Western Zone	Oct. 1 & 2
<i>North Carolina</i>	Ducks, mergansers, geese (4), brant, tundra swans (5), and coots	Feb. 4 & Feb. 11
<i>Pennsylvania</i>	Ducks, mergansers, Canada geese, coots, moorhens, brant, and gallinules:	
	North Zone	Sept. 17 & 24
	South Zone	Sept. 17 & Nov. 5
	Northwest Zone	Sept. 17 & 24
	Lake Erie Zone	Sept. 17 & Oct. 22
<i>Rhode Island</i>	Ducks, mergansers, geese, and coots	Oct. 22 & 23
<i>South Carolina</i>	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots	Feb. 4 & 11
<i>Vermont</i>	Ducks, geese, mergansers and coots	Sept. 24 & 25
<i>Virginia</i>	Ducks, mergansers, coots, tundra swans (5), and Canada geese (6)	Oct. 22 & Feb. 4
<i>West Virginia</i>	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, and gallinules	Sept. 17 & Nov. 5
MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY:		
<i>Alabama</i>	Ducks, mergansers, coots, geese, moorhens, and gallinules	Nov. 19 & Feb. 4
<i>Arkansas</i>	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Dec. 3 & Feb. 4
<i>Illinois</i>	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots	
	North Zone	Oct. 8 & 9
	Central Zone	Oct. 15 & 16
	South Central Zone	Nov. 5 & 6
	South Zone	Nov. 12 & 13
<i>Indiana</i>	Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, gallinules, and geese:	
	North Zone	Oct. 15 & 16
	Central Zone	Oct. 22 & 23
	South Zone	Oct. 22 & 23
<i>Iowa</i>	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots	
	North Zone	Sept. 17 & 18
	Missouri River Zone	Oct. 1 & 2
	South Zone	Sept. 24 & 25
<i>Kentucky</i>	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules:	
	West Zone	Feb. 4 & 5
	East Zone	Nov. 5 & 6
<i>Louisiana</i>	Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, gallinules, and geese:	
	West Zone	Nov. 5 & Jan. 28
	East Zone	Nov. 12 & Feb. 4
	Coastal Zone	Nov. 5 & Nov. 6
<i>Michigan</i>	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Sept. 10 & 11
<i>Minnesota</i>	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Sept. 10
<i>Mississippi</i>	Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, gallinules, and geese	Nov. 19 & Feb. 4
<i>Missouri</i>	Ducks, coots, mergansers, moorhens, gallinules, and geese:	
	North Zone	Oct. 22 & 23
	Middle Zone	Oct. 29 & 30
	South Zone	Nov. 19 & 20
<i>Ohio</i>	Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, gallinules, and geese:	

		Season dates
	Lake Erie Marsh	Oct. 1 & 2
	North Zone	Oct. 1 & 2
	South Zone	Oct. 1 & 2
Tennessee	Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, gallinules, and geese:	
	Reelfoot Zone	Feb. 4 & 11
	Remainder of State	Feb. 4 & 11
Wisconsin	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Sept. 17 & 18
CENTRAL FLYWAY:		
Colorado	Ducks, dark geese, mergansers, and coots:	
	Mountain/Foothills Zone	Sept. 24 & 25
	Northeast Zone	Oct. 1 & 2
	Southeast Zone	Oct. 22 & 23
Kansas (7)	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots:	
	High Plains	Oct. 1 & 2
	Low Plains:	
	Early Zone	Oct. 1 & 2
	Late Zone	Oct. 22 & 23
	Southeast Zone	Nov. 12 & 13
Montana	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 24 & 25
Nebraska	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots:	
	Zone 1	Oct. 8 & 9
	Zone 2	Oct. 1 & 2
	Zone 3	Oct. 22 & 23
	Zone 4	Oct. 1 & 2
New Mexico	Ducks, mergansers, coots, and moorhens:	
	North Zone	Oct. 1 & 2
	South Zone	Oct. 8 & 9
North Dakota	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 17 & 18
Oklahoma	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots:	
	High Plains	Oct. 8 & 9
	Low Plains:	
	Zone 1	Oct. 22 & 23
	Zone 2	Oct. 29 & 30
South Dakota	Ducks, Canada geese, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 17 & 18
Texas	Ducks, geese, mergansers, moorhens, gallinules, and coots:	
	High Plains	Oct. 22 & 23
	Low Plains:	
	North Zone	Nov. 5 & 6
	South Zone	Oct. 29 & 30
Wyoming	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots:	
	Zone C1	Sept. 24 & 25
	Zone C2	Sept. 17 & 18
	Zone C3	Sept. 17 & 18
PACIFIC FLYWAY:		
Arizona	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, and moorhens:	
	North Zone	Oct. 1 & 2
	South Zone	Feb. 4 & 5
California	Ducks, geese, brant, mergansers, coots, and moorhens:	
	Northeastern Zone	Sept. 24 & 25
	Colorado River Zone	Feb. 4 & 5
	Southern Zone	Feb. 4 & 5
	Southern San Joaquin Valley Zone	Feb. 4 & 5
	Balance of State Zone	Feb. 4 & 5
Colorado	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots:	
	East Zone	Sept. 24 & 25
	West Zone	Oct. 29 & 30
Idaho	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots:	Sept. 24 & 25
Montana	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 24 & 25
Nevada	Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, and moorhens:	
	Northeast Zone	Sept. 17 & 18
	Northwest Zone	Sept. 24 & Feb. 4
	South Zone	Feb. 11 & 12
New Mexico	Ducks, mergansers, coots, and moorhens	Oct. 8 & 9
Oregon	Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 24 & 25
Utah	Ducks, dark geese, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 17
Washington	Ducks, Canada geese, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 17 & 18
Wyoming	Ducks, dark geese, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 17 & 18

(1) In *Maryland*, youth hunter(s) must be accompanied by an adult at least 21 years old and who possesses a current *Maryland* hunting license or is exempt from the hunting license requirement. The adult accompanying the youth hunter(s) may not possess a hunting weapon and may not participate in other seasons that are open on the youth days.

(2) In *Maryland*, the bag limit for Canada geese is 2 in the AP Zone and 5 in the RP Zone.

(3) In *New York*, the daily bag limit for Canada geese is 3.

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

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

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

(7) In *Kansas*, the adult accompanying the youth must possess any licenses and/or stamps required by law for that individual to hunt waterfowl.

■ 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 March 28, 2016, **Federal Register** (81 FR 17302).

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.

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY			
<i>Kentucky</i> (1)	Dec. 17–Jan. 15	2	2 per season
<i>Minnesota</i> (1) NW Goose Zone	Sept. 10–Oct. 16	1	3
<i>Tennessee</i> (1)(2)	Dec. 3–Jan. 29	3	3 per season
CENTRAL FLYWAY			
<i>Colorado</i> (1)	Oct. 1–Nov. 27	3	9
<i>Kansas</i> (1)(3)(4)	Nov. 9–Jan. 5	3	9
Montana:			
Regular Season Area (1)	Oct. 1–Nov. 27	3	9 per season
Special Season Area (5)	Sept. 10–Oct. 2		2 per season
New Mexico:			
Regular Season Area (1)	Oct. 29–Jan. 29	3	6
Middle Rio Grande Valley Area (5)(6)	Oct. 29–Oct. 30 & Nov. 5 &	3	6 per season
	Nov. 26–Nov. 27 & Dec. 17–Dec. 18 & Jan. 7–Jan. 8	3	6 per season
	Oct. 29–Nov. 6 & Jan. 7–Jan. 8	3	6 per season
Southwest Area (5)	Oct. 29–Nov. 6	3	6 per season
Estancia Valley (5)		3	6
North Dakota (1):			
Area 1	Sept. 17–Nov. 13	3	9
Area 2	Sept. 17–Nov. 13	2	6
<i>Oklahoma</i> (1)	Oct. 22–Jan. 22	3	9
<i>South Dakota</i> (1)	Sept. 24–Nov. 20	3	9
Texas (1):			
Zone A	Oct. 29–Jan. 29	3	9
Zone B	Nov. 18–Jan. 29	3	9
Zone C	Dec. 17–Jan. 22	2	6
Wyoming:			
Regular Season (Area 7) (1)	Sept. 17–Nov. 13	3	9
Riverton-Boysen Unit (Area 4) (5)	Sept. 17–Oct. 9		1 per season
Big Horn, Hot Springs, Park, and Washakie Counties (Area 6) (5) ..	Sept. 17–Oct. 9		1 per season
Johnson, Natrona, and Sheridan Counties (Area 8) (5)	Sept. 17–Oct. 9		1 per season
PACIFIC FLYWAY			
Arizona (5)(7):			
Special Season Area	Nov. 18–Dec. 10		3 per season
Idaho (5):			
Areas 1, 3, & 4	Sept. 1–Sept. 30		2 per season
Areas 2 & 5	Sept. 1–Sept. 15		2 per season
Montana (5)(8):			
Zone 1	Sept. 10–Oct. 2	1	1
Zone 2	Sept. 10–Oct. 2	2	2
Zone 3	Sept. 10–Oct. 2	2	2
Zone 4	Sept. 10–Oct. 2	1	1
Utah (5):			
Rich County	Sept. 3–Sept. 11		1 per season
Cache County	Sept. 3–Sept. 11		1 per season
East Box Elder County	Sept. 3–Sept. 11		1 per season
Uintah County	Sept. 17–Oct. 16		1 per season
Wyoming (5):			

	Season dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Areas 1, 2, 3, & 5	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 in their possession while hunting.
- (2) In *Tennessee*, the shooting hours are from sunrise to 3 p.m. The season is also closed from January 13 through January 15, 2017.
- (3) In *Kansas*, shooting hours are from sunrise until sunset.
- (4) In *Kansas*, each person desiring to hunt sandhill cranes is required to pass an annual, online sandhill crane identification examination.
- (5) Hunting is by State permit only. See State regulations for further information.
- (6) In *New Mexico*, in the Middle Rio Grande Valley Area (Bernardo WMA and Casa Colorado WMA), the season is only open for youth hunters on November 5. See State regulations for further details.
- (7) In *Arizona*, season dates are restricted in Game Management Units 30A, 30B, 31, and 32 to November 18 to 20, November 22 to 24, November 26 to 28, November 30 to December 2, December 4 to 6, and December 9 to 11. December 9 to 11 is restricted to youth hunters only. In Game Management Unit 28, the season dates are restricted to November 26 to 28, November 25 to 27, November 30 to December 2, December 4 to 6, December 8 to 10, and December 12 to 14.
- (8) In *Montana*, the possession limit is 2 per season.

■ 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. 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.

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.

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

	Season dates	Limits
ATLANTIC FLYWAY:		
<i>North Carolina</i>	Nov. 12–Jan. 31	1 tundra swan per permit.
<i>Virginia</i>	Nov. 16–Jan. 31	1 tundra swan per permit.
CENTRAL FLYWAY (1):		
<i>Montana</i>	Oct. 1–Jan. 5	1 tundra swan per permit.
<i>North Dakota</i>	Oct. 1–Jan. 1	1 tundra swan per permit.
<i>South Dakota</i>	Oct. 1–Dec. 18	1 tundra swan per permit.
PACIFIC FLYWAY (1):		
<i>Montana</i> (2)	Oct. 8–Dec. 1	1 swan per season.
<i>Nevada</i> (3)(4)	Oct. 8–Jan. 8	2 swans per season.
<i>Utah</i> (4)(5)	Oct. 1–Dec. 11	1 swan per season.

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

■ 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 March 28, 2016 (81 FR 17302) **Federal Register**.

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.

Limits: The daily bag limit may include no more than 3 migratory game birds, singly or 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. Unless otherwise specified, extended falconry for ducks does not

include sea ducks within the special sea duck areas.

Although many States permit falconry during the gun seasons, only extended

falconry seasons are shown below. Please consult State regulations for details.

	Extended falconry dates
ATLANTIC FLYWAY:	
<i>Delaware</i>	
Doves	Jan. 16–Feb. 1
Rails	Nov. 10–Dec. 16
Woodcock	Oct. 15–Oct. 22 & Jan. 16–Mar. 10
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Jan. 30–Mar. 3
Brant	Nov. 21–Dec. 2 & Jan. 30–Mar. 10
<i>Florida</i>	
Doves	Jan. 16–Feb. 1
Rails	Nov. 10–Dec. 16
Woodcock	Nov. 24–Dec. 17 & Feb. 1–Mar. 10
Common moorhens	Nov. 10–Dec. 14
Ducks, mergansers, light geese, and coots	Nov. 3–Nov. 12 & Feb. 6–Mar. 3
<i>Georgia</i>	
Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, gallinules, and sea ducks	Nov. 28–Dec. 5
<i>Maine</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots (1):	
North Zone	Dec. 22–Feb. 11
South & Coastal Zones	Jan. 7–Feb. 28
<i>Maryland</i>	
Doves	Jan. 8–Jan. 24
Rails	Nov. 10–Dec. 16
Woodcock	Oct. 1–Oct. 27 & Feb. 7–Mar. 10
Ducks	Feb. 1–Mar. 10
Brant	Feb. 1–Mar. 10
Light Geese	Feb. 28–Mar. 10
<i>Massachusetts</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, sea ducks, and coots	Jan. 30–Feb. 8
<i>New Hampshire</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
Northern Zone	Dec. 13–Jan. 26
Inland Zone	Nov. 7–Nov. 21 & Dec. 28–Jan. 26
Coastal Zone	Jan. 25–Mar. 10
<i>New Jersey</i>	
Woodcock:	
North Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 14 & Nov. 20–Jan. 15
South Zone	Oct. 1–Nov. 11 & Dec. 4–Dec. 16 & Dec. 31–Jan. 15
Ducks, mergansers, coots, and brant:	
North Zone	Jan. 17–Mar. 10
South Zone	Jan. 17–Mar. 10
Coastal Zone	Jan. 29–Mar. 10
<i>New York</i>	
Ducks, mergansers and coots:	
Long Island Zone	Nov. 1–Nov. 23 & Nov. 28–Dec. 4 & Jan. 30–Feb. 13
Northeastern Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 7 & Oct. 31–Nov. 4 & Dec. 12–Jan. 13
Southeastern Zone	Oct. 11–Nov. 11 & Jan. 1–Jan. 13
Western Zone	Oct. 1–Oct. 21 & Dec. 5–Dec. 30
<i>North Carolina</i>	
Doves	Oct. 15–Oct. 31
Rails, moorhens, and gallinules	Dec. 3–Jan. 7
Woodcock	Nov. 5–Dec. 3 & Feb. 1–Feb. 28
Ducks, mergansers and coots	Oct. 25–Nov. 5 & Jan. 31–Feb. 18
<i>Pennsylvania</i>	
Doves	Oct. 10–Oct. 14 & Nov. 28–Dec. 9
Rails	Nov. 10–Dec. 16
Woodcock and snipe	Sept. 1–Oct. 14 & Nov. 28–Dec. 17
Moorhens and gallinules	Nov. 10–Dec. 16
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
North Zone	Nov. 21–Dec. 19 & Feb. 16–Mar. 10

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South Zone	Oct. 24–Nov. 21 & Feb. 16–Mar. 10
Northwest Zone	Dec. 12–Dec. 26 & Feb. 2–Mar. 10
Lake Erie Zone	Jan. 18–Mar. 10
Canada Geese:	
SJBZ Zone	Mar. 2–Mar. 10
AP Zone	Feb. 1–Mar. 10
RP Zone	Mar. 4–Mar. 10
<i>South Carolina</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Nov. 2–Nov. 18 & Nov. 27–Dec. 9
<i>Virginia</i>	
Doves	Dec. 23 & Jan. 16–Jan. 31
Woodcock	Oct. 17–Oct. 28 & Nov. 5–Dec. 8 & Jan. 16–Jan. 31
Rails, moorhens, and gallinules	Nov. 19–Dec. 25
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Nov. 28–Dec. 16 & Jan. 30–Feb. 10
Canada Geese:	
Eastern (AP) Zone	Dec. 17–Dec. 22 & Jan. 30–Feb. 22
Western (SJBZ) Zone	Dec. 17–Dec. 18 & Feb. 16–Feb. 22
Brant	Oct. 17–Nov. 15 & Nov. 28–Dec. 16 & Jan. 30–Jan. 31
<i>MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY:</i>	
<i>Arkansas</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Feb. 1–Feb. 15
<i>Illinois</i>	
Doves	Nov. 15–Dec. 1
Rails	Sept. 1–Sept. 2 & Nov. 12–Dec. 16
Woodcock	Sept. 1–Oct. 14 & Nov. 29–Dec. 16
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Feb. 10–Mar. 10
<i>Indiana</i>	
Doves	Oct. 17–Oct. 31 & Jan. 9–Jan. 11
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. 22–Oct. 28 & Feb. 17–Mar. 10
South Zone	Oct. 22–Oct. 28 & Feb. 17–Mar. 10
<i>Iowa</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
North Zone	Dec. 15–Jan. 12
Missouri River Zone	Dec. 15–Jan. 12
South Zone	Dec. 15–Jan. 12
<i>Kentucky</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Nov. 28–Dec. 4 & Jan. 30–Feb. 15
<i>Louisiana</i>	
Doves	Sept. 15–Oct. 1
Woodcock	Nov. 2–Dec. 17 &
Rails and moorhens:	
West Zone	Nov. 2–Nov. 11 & Jan. 5–Jan. 31
East Zone	Nov. 3–Nov. 11 & Jan. 5–Jan. 31
Coastal Zone	Nov. 2–Nov. 11 & Jan. 5–Jan. 31
Ducks:	
West Zone	Nov. 3–Nov. 11 & Dec. 5–Dec. 16 & Jan. 23–Jan. 31
East Zone	Nov. 3–Nov. 18 & Dec. 5–Dec. 16 & Jan. 30–Jan. 31
Coastal Zone	Nov. 3–Nov. 11 & Dec. 5–Dec. 16 & Jan. 23–Jan. 31
<i>Michigan</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, and moorhens	Jan. 2–Jan. 26 & Mar. 1–Mar. 10
<i>Minnesota</i>	
Woodcock	Sept. 1–Sept. 23 & Nov. 8–Dec. 16
Rails and snipe	Nov. 8–Dec. 16
Doves	Nov. 30–Dec. 16
Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Dec. 17–Jan. 31
<i>Mississippi</i>	
Doves	Nov. 14–Nov. 22 & Jan. 16–Jan. 23
Ducks, mergansers and coots	Feb. 5–Mar. 5

	Extended falconry dates
<i>Missouri</i>	
Doves	Nov. 30–Dec. 16
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 10–Sept. 25 & Feb. 10–Mar. 10
<i>Tennessee</i>	
Doves	Sept. 29–Oct. 9 & Oct. 31–Nov. 6
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 15–Oct. 20
<i>Wisconsin</i>	
Rails, snipe, moorhens, and gallinules:	
North Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 23 & Nov. 23–Dec. 16
South Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 & Oct. 10–Oct. 14 & Dec. 5–Dec. 16
Mississippi River Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 30 & Oct. 8–Oct. 14 & Dec. 7–Dec. 16
Woodcock	Sept. 1–Sept. 23 & Nov. 8–Dec. 16
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 17–Sept. 18 & Jan. 13–Feb. 19
CENTRAL FLYWAY:	
<i>Kansas</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
Low Plains	Feb. 24–Mar. 10
<i>Montana (2)</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 24–Sept. 30
<i>Nebraska</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
Zone 1	Feb. 25–Mar. 10
Zone 2	Feb. 25–Mar. 10
Zone 3	Feb. 25–Mar. 10
Zone 4	Feb. 25–Mar. 10
<i>New Mexico</i>	
Doves	
North Zone	Nov. 30–Dec. 4 & Dec. 24–Jan. 4
South Zone	Oct. 31–Nov. 7 & Nov. 24–Dec. 2
Ducks and coots	Sept. 17–Sept. 25
Sandhill cranes	
Regular Season Area	Oct. 15–Oct. 28
Estancia Valley Area (3)	Nov. 7–Dec. 27
Common moorhens	Nov. 26–Jan. 1
Sora and Virginia rails	Nov. 26–Jan. 1
<i>North Dakota</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, and snipe	Sept. 5–Sept. 9 & Sept. 12–Sept. 16
<i>Oklahoma</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
Low Plains	Feb. 13–Feb. 27
<i>South Dakota</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
High Plains	Sept. 1–Sept. 8
Low Plains:	
North Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 23 & Dec. 7–Dec. 16
Middle Zone	Sept. 1–Sept. 23 & Dec. 7–Dec. 16
South Zone	Sept. 15–Oct. 7 & Dec. 21–Dec. 30
<i>Texas</i>	
Doves	Nov. 19–Dec. 5
Rails, gallinules, and woodcock	Jan. 30–Feb. 12
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
Low Plains	Jan. 30–Feb. 12
<i>Wyoming</i>	
Doves	Nov. 30–Dec. 16
Rails	Nov. 10–Dec. 16
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	
Zone C1	Sept. 24–Sept. 25 & Oct. 19–Oct. 26
Zone C2 & C3	Sept. 17–Sept. 23 & Dec. 5–Dec. 7
PACIFIC FLYWAY:	
<i>Arizona</i>	
Doves	Sept. 16–Nov. 1
Ducks, mergansers, coots, and moorhens:	
North Zone	Jan. 30–Feb. 2
South Zone	Oct. 3–Oct. 6
<i>California</i>	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, and moorhens:	
Colorado River Zone	Jan. 30–Feb. 1

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Southern Zone	Jan. 30–Feb. 3
Southern San Joaquin Valley Zone	Jan. 30–Feb. 1
Geese:	
Southern Zone (4)	Jan. 30–Feb. 3
<i>New Mexico</i>	
Doves:	
North Zone	Nov. 30–Dec. 4 & Dec. 24–Jan. 4
South Zone	Oct. 31–Nov. 7 & Nov. 24–Dec. 2
<i>Oregon</i>	
Doves	Oct. 31–Dec. 16
Band-tailed pigeons (5)	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
<i>Wyoming</i>	
Doves	Nov. 30–Dec. 16
Sora and Virginia rails	Nov. 10–Dec. 16
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 17–Sept. 18

(1) In *Maine*, the daily bag and possession limits for black ducks are 1 and 3, respectively.

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

(3) In *New Mexico*, the bag limit for sandhill cranes in the Estancia Valley Area is 3 per day and the possession limit is 6 per season.

(4) In *California*, in the Imperial County Special Management Area, there is no extended falconry season.

(5) In *Oregon*, no more than 1 pigeon daily in bag or possession.

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