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Migratory Bird Hunting; Late Seasons and Bag and Possession Limits for Certain Migratory Game Birds

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This rule prescribes the hunting seasons, hours, areas, and daily bag and possession limits for general waterfowl seasons and those early seasons for which States previously deferred selection. Taking of migratory birds is prohibited unless specifically provided for by annual regulations. This rule permits the taking of designated species during the 2003–04 season.

DATES: This rule is effective on September 27, 2003.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulations Schedule for 2003

On May 6, 2003, we published in the **Federal Register** (68 FR 24324) a proposal to amend 50 CFR part 20. The proposal provided a background and overview of the migratory bird hunting regulations process, and dealt with the establishment of seasons, limits, the proposed regulatory alternatives for the 2003–04 duck hunting season, and other regulations for migratory game birds under §§ 20.101 through 20.107, 20.109, and 20.110 of subpart K. On June 23, 2003, we published in the **Federal Register** (68 FR 37362) a second document providing supplemental proposals for early- and late-season migratory bird hunting regulations frameworks and the regulatory alternatives for the 2003–04 duck hunting season. The June 23 supplement also provided detailed information on the 2003–04 regulatory schedule and announced the Service Migratory Bird Regulations Committee (SRC) and Flyway Council meetings.

On June 18–19, we held open meetings with the Flyway Council Consultants at which the participants reviewed information on the current status of migratory shore and upland game birds and developed recommendations for the 2003–04 regulations for these species plus regulations for migratory game birds in Alaska, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands, special September waterfowl seasons in designated States, special sea duck seasons in the Atlantic Flyway, and extended falconry seasons. In addition, we reviewed and discussed preliminary information on the status of waterfowl as it relates to the development and selection of the regulatory packages for the 2003–04 regular waterfowl seasons. On July 17, 2003, we published in the **Federal Register** (68 FR 42546) a third document specifically dealing with the proposed frameworks for early-season regulations. In the August 27, 2003, **Federal Register** (68 FR 51658), we published final frameworks for early migratory bird hunting seasons from which wildlife conservation agency officials from the States, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands selected 2003–04 early-season hunting dates, hours, areas, and limits. Subsequently, on August 28, 2003, we published a final rule in the **Federal Register** (68 FR 51832) amending subpart K of title 50 CFR part 20 to set hunting seasons, hours, areas, and limits for early seasons.

On July 30–31, 2003, we held open meetings with the Flyway Council Consultants, at which the participants reviewed the status of waterfowl and developed recommendations for the 2003–04 regulations for these species. On August 19, 2003, we published in the **Federal Register** (68 FR 50016) the proposed frameworks for the 2003–04 late-season migratory bird hunting regulations. We published final late-season frameworks for migratory game bird hunting regulations, from which State wildlife conservation agency officials selected late-season hunting dates, hours, areas, and limits for 2003–04 in a September 26, 2003, **Federal Register**.

The final rule described here is the final in the series of proposed, supplemental, and final rulemaking documents for migratory game bird hunting regulations for 2003–04 and deals specifically with amending subpart K of 50 CFR part 20. It sets hunting seasons, hours, areas, and limits for species subject to late-season regulations and those for early seasons that States previously deferred.

NEPA Consideration

NEPA considerations are covered by the programmatic document, ''Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement: Issuance of Annual Regulations Permitting the Sport Hunting of Migratory Birds (FSES 88–14),'' filed with the Environmental Protection Agency on June 9, 1988. We published a Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register** on June 16, 1988 (53 FR 22582) and our Record of Decision on August 18, 1988 (53 FR 31341). Copies are available from the address indicated under **ADDRESSES.** Additionally, in a proposed rule published in the April 30, 2001, **Federal Register** (66 FR 21298), we expressed our intent to begin the process of developing a new EIS for the migratory bird hunting program. We plan to begin the public scoping process in 2005.

Endangered Species Act Consideration

Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531–1543; 87 Stat. 884), provides that, ''The Secretary shall review other programs administered by him and utilize such programs in furtherance of the purposes of this Act'' (and) shall ''insure that any action authorized, funded or carried out * * * is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of any endangered species or threatened species or result in the destruction or adverse modification of [critical] habitat. * * *'' Consequently, we conducted 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 adversely affect any endangered or threatened species. Additionally, these findings may have caused modification of some regulatory measures previously proposed, and the final frameworks reflect any such modifications. Our biological opinions resulting from this Section 7 consultation are public documents available for public inspection at the address indicated under **ADDRESSES.**

Executive Order 12866

The migratory bird hunting regulations are economically significant and were reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under Executive Order 12866. As such, a cost/benefit analysis was initially prepared in 1981. This analysis was subsequently revised annually from 1990–96, and then updated in 1998. We will update again in 2004. It is further discussed below under the heading Regulatory Flexibility Act. Results from the 1998 analysis indicate that the expected welfare benefit of the annual migratory bird hunting frameworks is on the order of $50 to $192 million. Copies of the cost/benefit analysis are available upon

request from the address indicated under **ADDRESSES.**

Regulatory Flexibility Act

These 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 discussed under Executive Order 12866. 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 and 1998 and will be updated in 2004. 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 1998 Analysis was based on the 1996 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 between $429 million and $1.084 billion at small businesses in 2003. Copies of the Analysis are available upon request from the address indicated under **ADDRESSES.**

Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act

This rule is a major rule under 5 U.S.C. 804(2), the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act. For the reasons outlined above, this rule has an annual effect on the economy of $100 million or more. However, because this rule establishes hunting seasons, we plan to use the exemption contained in 5 U.S.C. 808 (1) to make the rule effective on the date set forth in **DATES.**

Paperwork Reduction Act

We examined these regulations under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. We utilize the various recordkeeping and reporting requirements imposed under regulations established in 50 CFR part 20, Subpart K, in the formulation of migratory game bird hunting regulations. Specifically, OMB has approved the information collection requirements of the Migratory Bird Harvest Information Program and assigned clearance number 1018–0015 (expires 10/31/2004). This information is used to provide a sampling frame for voluntary national surveys to improve our harvest estimates for all migratory game birds in order to better manage these populations. A Federal agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Unfunded Mandates Reform Act

We have determined and certify, in compliance with the requirements of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act, 2 U.S.C. 1502 *et seq.*, that this rulemaking will not ''significantly or uniquely'' affect small governments, and will not produce a Federal mandate 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 meets the requirements of sections 3(a) and 3(b)(2) of Executive Order 12988.

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.

Energy Effects—Executive Order 13211

On May 18, 2001, the President issued Executive Order 13211 on regulations that significantly affect energy supply, distribution, and use. 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. Thus, this action is not a significant energy action and no Statement of Energy Effects is required.

Takings Implication Assessment

In accordance with Executive Order 12630, this rule 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 will allow hunters to exercise otherwise unavailable privileges, and, therefore, reduces restrictions on the use of private and public property.

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 (MBTA). Annually, we prescribe frameworks from which the States make selections and employ guidelines to establish special regulations on Federal Indian reservations and ceded lands. We develop the frameworks 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 ultimately make season selections, thereby having an influence on their own regulations. This process preserves the ability of the States and Tribes to determine which seasons meet their individual needs. Further, any State or Tribe may be more restrictive than the Federal frameworks at any time. These rules do not have a substantial direct effect on fiscal capacity, change the roles or responsibilities of Federal or State governments, or intrude on State policy or administration. Therefore, in accordance with Executive Order 13132, these regulations do not have significant federalism effects and do not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

Regulations Promulgation

The rulemaking process for migratory game bird hunting must, by its nature, operate under severe time constraints. However, we intend that the public be given the greatest possible opportunity to comment. Thus, when the preliminary proposed rulemaking was published, we established what we believed were the longest periods possible for public comment. In doing this, we recognized that when the comment period closed, time would be of the essence. That is, if there were a delay in the effective date of these regulations after this final rulemaking, States would have insufficient time to select season dates and limits; to communicate those selections to us; and to establish and publicize the necessary regulations and procedures to implement their decisions. We, therefore, find that ''good cause'' exists, within the terms of 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3) of the Administrative Procedure Act, and these regulations will take effect immediately upon 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: September 23, 2003.

Craig Manson,

Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks.

PART 20—[AMENDED]

■ 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:

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

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 703–712 and 16 U.S.C. 742 a–j, Pub. L. 106–108.

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

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

2. Section 20.101 paragraph (a) is revised to read as follows:

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(a) Puerto Rico

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Possession
Doves and Pigeons			
Zenaida, white-winged, and mourning doves	Sept. 6-Nov. 3	15	15
Scaly-naped pigeons	Sept. 6-Nov. 3	5	5
Ducks	Nov. 15-Dec. 22 &	6	12
	Jan. 10-Jan. 26	6	12
Common Moorhens	Nov. 15-Dec. 22 &	6	12
	Jan. 10-Jan. 26	6	12
Common Snipe	Nov. 15-Dec. 22 &	8	16
	Jan. 10-Jan. 26	8	16

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, and Caribbean coot, white-crowned pigeon and plain pigeon. Hunting is closed in the area known as Caño Tiburones.

Closed Areas: Closed areas are described in the July 17, 2003, Federal Register (68 FR 42546).

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

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

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

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

Area descriptions were published in the August 27, 2003, (68 FR 51658) and the September Federal Registers.

NOTE: The following seasons are in addition to the seasons published previously in the August 28, 2003, Federal Register (68 FR 51832).

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

ATLANTIC FLYWAY

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Maine	Sept. 1-Nov. 8	Closed	Oct. 1-Oct. 25 & Oct. 27-Oct. 31	Sept. 1-Dec. 16

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Massachusetts (4)	Sept. 1-Nov. 8	Closed	Oct. 16-Oct. 25 & Oct. 27-Nov. 15	Sept. 1-Dec. 15

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Vermont	Closed	Closed	Oct. 4-Nov. 2	Oct. 11-Dec. 20

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MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY

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Louisiana	Sept. 13-Sept. 28 & Nov. 8-Dec. 31	Sept. 13-Sept. 28 & Nov. 8-Dec. 31	Dec. 18-Jan. 31	Nov. 14-Feb. 28

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Tennessee				
Reelfoot Zone	Nov. 27-Jan. 20	Closed	Oct. 25-Dec. 8	Nov. 15-Feb. 28
State Zone	Nov. 27-Jan. 20	Clo sed	Oct. 25-Dec. 8	Nov. 15-Feb. 28
Wisconsin				
North Zone	Sept. 27-Nov. 25	Closed	Sept. 20-Nov. 3	Sept. 27-Nov. 25
South Zone	Oct. 4-Oct. 12 & Oct. 18-Dec. 7	Closed	Sept. 20-Nov. 3	Oct. 4-Oct. 12 & Oct. 18-Dec. 7

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	Sora & Virginia Rails	Clapper & King Rails	Woodcock	Common Snipe
CENTRAL FLYWAY				
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New Mexico (16)	Sept. 20-Nov. 28	Closed	Closed	Oct. 11-Jan. 25
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PACIFIC FLYWAY				
Arizona (17)				
North Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 17-Jan. 25
South Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 17-Jan. 25
California	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 18-Feb. 1
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Idaho				
Zone 1 & 2	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 4-Jan. 16
Zones 3	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 11-Jan. 23
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Nevada				
Clark County	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 11-Oct. 15 & Oct. 17-Jan. 25
Rest of State	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 11-Oct. 15 & Oct. 17-Jan. 25
New Mexico(16)	Sept. 20-Nov. 28	Closed	Closed	Oct. 11-Jan. 25
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Oregon				
Zone 1	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 11-Nov. 28 & Dec. 27-Feb. 22
Zone 2	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 11-Nov. 28 & Dec. 27-Feb. 22
Utah	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 4-Jan. 17
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	Sora & Virginia Rails	Clapper & King Rails	Woodcock	Common Snipe
Washington				
East Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 11-Oct. 15 & Oct. 18-Jan. 25
West Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 11-Oct. 15 & Oct. 18-Jan. 25

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

(2) All bag and possession limits for clapper and king rails apply singly or in the aggregate of the two species and, unless otherwise specified, the limits are in addition to the limits on sora and Virginia rails in all States. In Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland, and New Jersey, the limits for clapper and king rails are 10 daily and 20 in possession.

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

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(16) In New Mexico, the rail daily bag and possession limits are 10 and 20, respectively.
(17) In Arizona, Ashurst Lake in Unit 5B is closed to common snipe hunting.

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

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

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

Shooting and hawking hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset, except as otherwise restricted by State regulations. Area descriptions were published in the August 27 (68 FR 51658) and the September Federal Registers.

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

NOTE: The following seasons are in addition to the seasons published previously in the August 28, 2003, Federal Register (68 FR 51832). The zones named in this paragraph are the same as those used for setting duck seasons.

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
ATLANTIC FLYWAY			
	* * * * *		
Georgia	Nov. 22-Nov. 30 &	15	30
	Dec. 6-Jan. 20		
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Virginia	Oct. 8-Oct. 11 &	15	30
	Nov. 15-Dec. 6 &	15	30
	Dec. 13-Jan. 20	15	30
West Virginia			
Zone 1	Oct. 1-Oct. 11 &	15	30
	Dec. 4-Jan. 20	15	30
Zone 2	Oct. 1-Oct. 11 &	15	30
	Nov. 17-Jan. 3	15	30
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MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY			
	* * * * *		
Louisiana	Sept. 13-Sept. 28 &	15	30
	Nov. 8-Dec. 31	15	30
Michigan			
North Zone	Sept. 27-Nov. 25	15	30
Middle Zone	Oct. 4-Nov. 30 &	15	30
	Jan. 3-Jan. 4	15	30
South Zone	Oct. 11-Dec. 7 &	15	30
	Jan. 3-Jan. 4	15	30
Minnesota (2)	Sept. 27-Nov. 25	15	30
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Tennessee			
Reelfoot Zone	Nov. 27-Jan. 18	15	30
State Zone	Nov. 27-Jan. 18	15	30
Wisconsin			
North Zone	Sept. 27-Nov. 25	10	20
South Zone	Oct. 4-Oct. 12 &	10	20
	Oct. 18-Dec. 7		
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	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
PACIFIC FLYWAY			
All States	Seasons are in aggregate with coots and listed in paragraph (e).		

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(2) In Minnesota, the daily bag limit is 15 and the possession limit is 30 coots and moorhens in the aggregate.

(b) Sea Ducks (scoter, eider, and oldsquaw ducks in Atlantic Flyway)

NOTE: The following seasons are in addition to the seasons published previously in the August 28, 2003, Federal Register (68 FR 51832).

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

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Georgia	Nov. 22-Nov. 30 &	15	30
	Dec. 6-Jan. 25	15	30
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Maine (1)	Oct. 1-Jan. 31	7	14
Maryland	Oct. 4-Jan. 24	5	10
Massachusetts (2)	Oct. 6-Jan. 20	7	14
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North Carolina	Oct. 1-Jan. 24	7	14
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South Carolina	Oct. 6-Jan. 20	7	14
Virginia	Oct. 8-Jan. 24	7	14

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

(1) In Maine, the daily bag limit for eiders is 5, possession 10.

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

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

Definitions

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

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

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

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

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

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

ATLANTIC FLYWAY

Flyway-wide Restrictions

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

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

Merganser Limits: The merganser limits include no more than 1 hooded merganser daily and 2 in possession.

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Connecticut			
Ducks:		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 8-Jan. 10		
Pintails	Oct. 8-Oct. 18 & Nov. 14-Dec. 6		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Oct. 18 & Nov. 14-Jan. 10		

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Possession
Connecticut (cont.)			
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 22-Jan. 24		
Pintails	Oct. 8-Oct. 15 &		
	Nov. 25-Dec. 20		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Oct. 15 &		
	Nov. 25-Jan. 24		
Mergansers	Same as for ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
NAP Zone:			
L-Unit	Oct. 1-Oct. 31 &	3	6
	Nov. 26-Jan. 14	3	6
H-Unit			
North Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 18 &	2	4
	Nov. 25-Jan. 14	2	4
South Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 18 &	2	4
	Nov. 25-Jan. 14	2	4
(special season)	Jan. 15-Feb. 14	5	10
AP Unit	Nov. 1-Nov. 8 &	2	4
	Nov. 21-Jan. 3	2	4
Light Geese:			
North Zone	Oct. 10-Feb. 7	15	--
South Zone	Oct. 10-Feb. 7	15	--
Brant:			
North Zone	Nov. 3-Jan. 10	3	6
South Zone	Nov. 17-Jan. 24	3	6
Delaware			
Ducks :		6	12
Canvasbacks	Dec. 12-Jan. 15		
Pintails	Oct. 1-Oct. 4 &		
	Oct. 31-Nov. 11 &		
	Nov. 24-Dec. 11		
Other ducks (1)	Oct. 1-Oct. 4 &		
	Oct. 31-Nov. 11 &		
	Nov. 24-Jan. 15		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese	Nov. 24-Dec. 6 &	1	2
	Dec. 9-Jan. 15	1	2
Light Geese:			
Bombay Hook NWR Zone (2)	Oct. 3-Jan. 16 &	15	--
	Feb. 2-Mar. 5	15	–
Rest of State (3)	Oct. 1-Nov. 12 &	15	–
	Nov. 24-Jan. 16	15	-
	Jan. 31-Mar. 10	15	-
Brant	Nov. 17-Jan. 24	3	6

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Florida			
Ducks:		6	12
Canvasbacks	Nov. 22-Nov. 30 & Dec. 6-Dec. 26		
Pintails	Nov. 22-Nov. 30 & Dec. 6-Dec. 26		
Other ducks	Nov. 22-Nov. 30 & Dec. 6-Jan. 25		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese (4)	Nov. 22-Jan. 30	5	10
Light Geese (5)	Nov. 22-Nov. 30 &	15	--
	Dec. 6-Jan. 25	15	--
Georgia			
Ducks:		6	12
Canvasbacks	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Nov. 22-Nov. 30 & Dec. 6-Jan. 25		
Mergansers	Nov. 22-Nov. 30 &	5	10
	Dec. 6-Jan. 25	5	10
Coots	Nov. 22-Nov. 30 &	15	30
	Dec. 6-Jan. 25	15	30
Canada Geese (special season)	Nov. 22-Nov. 30 &	3	6
	Dec. 6-Jan. 31	3	6
Light Geese	Same as for Canada geese	2	4
Brant	Closed	--	--
Maine			
Ducks (6):		4	8
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 1-Nov. 4		
Pintails	Oct. 1-Nov. 4		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Dec. 9		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 1-Oct. 18 & Nov. 3-Nov. 18		
Pintails	Oct. 1-Oct. 18 & Nov. 3-Nov. 18		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Oct. 18 & Nov. 3-Dec. 23		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Canada Geese:			
North Zone	Oct. 1-Dec. 9	2	4
South Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 31 &	2	4
	Nov. 15-Dec. 23	2	4
Light Geese	Oct. 1-Jan. 31	15	--
Brant	Oct. 1-Dec. 9	3	6

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Maryland			
Ducks (7):		5	10
Canvasbacks	Dec. 22-Jan. 24		
Pintails	Oct. 25-Nov. 1 &		
	Dec. 30-Jan. 24		
Other ducks	Oct. 25-Nov. 1 &		
	Nov. 8-Nov. 28 &		
	Dec. 16-Jan. 24		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
RP Zone	Nov. 15-Nov. 28 &	5	10
	Dec. 10-Feb. 14	5	10
AP Zone	Nov. 15-Nov. 28 &	1	2
	Dec. 18-Jan. 24	1	2
Light Geese (8)	Oct. 18-Nov. 28 &	15	--
	Dec. 6-Jan. 31 &	15	--
	Feb. 2-Mar. 10	15	--
Brant	Nov. 8-Nov. 28 &	3	6
	Dec. 3-Jan. 20	3	6
Massachusetts			
Ducks (9):		6	12
Western Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 14-Nov. 17		
Pintails	Oct. 14-Nov. 17		
Other ducks	Oct. 14-Dec. 22		
Central Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 15-Nov. 18		
Pintails	Oct. 15-Nov. 18		
Other ducks	Oct. 15-Nov. 29 &		
	Dec. 19-Jan. 10		
Coastal Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 15-Oct. 25 &		
	Nov. 21-Dec. 13		
Pintails	Oct. 15-Oct. 25 &		
	Nov. 21-Dec. 13		
Other ducks	Oct. 15-Oct. 25 &		
	Nov. 21-Jan. 17		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
NAP Zone			
Central Zone:	Oct. 15-Nov. 29 &	2	4
	Dec. 19-Jan. 10	2	4
(special season)	Jan. 19-Feb. 14	2	4
Coastal Zone:	Oct. 15-Oct. 25 &	2	4
	Nov. 21-Jan. 17	2	4
(special season)	Jan. 19-Feb. 14	5	10
AP Zone	Oct. 25-Dec. 16	1	2

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Massachusetts (cont.)			
Light Geese:			
Western Zone	Same as for ducks	15	30
Central Zone	Same as for ducks &	15	30
	Jan. 19-Feb. 14	15	30
Coastal Zone	Same as for ducks &	15	30
	Jan. 19-Feb. 14	15	30
Brant:			
Western & Central Zone	Closed	--	--
Coastal Zone	Nov. 10-Jan. 17	2	4
New Hampshire			
Ducks :		6	12
Inland Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 26-Dec. 21		
Pintails	Oct. 7-Nov. 5		
Other ducks	Oct. 7-Nov. 9 &		
	Nov. 26-Dec. 21		
Coastal Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 26-Dec. 25		
Pintails	Oct. 8-Oct. 19 &		
	Nov. 26-Dec. 13 &		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Oct. 19 &		
	Nov. 26-Jan. 12		
Mergansers	Same as ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
Inland Zone	Oct. 7-Nov. 9 &	2	4
	Nov. 26-Dec. 21	2	4
Coastal Zone	Oct. 8-Oct. 19 &	2	4
	Nov. 26-Jan. 12	2	4
Light Geese:			
Inland Zone	Oct. 7-Dec. 21	15	--
Coastal Zone	Oct. 8-Jan. 12	15	–
Brant:			
Inland Zone	Oct. 7-Nov. 9 &	3	6
	Nov. 26-Dec. 21	3	6
Coastal Zone	Oct. 8-Oct. 19 &	3	6
	Nov. 26-Jan. 12	3	6
New Jersey			
Ducks (10):		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 28-Jan. 1		
Pintails	Nov. 15-Nov. 29 &		
	Dec. 13-Jan. 1		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Nov. 1 &		
	Nov. 15-Jan. 1		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 22-Nov. 29 &		
	Dec. 16-Jan. 10		

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
New Jersey (cont.)			
Pintails	Oct. 18-Oct. 25 & Nov. 4-Nov. 29		
Other ducks	Oct. 18-Nov. 29 & Dec. 18-Jan. 10		
Coastal Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 22-Jan. 24		
Pintails	Nov. 1-Nov. 11 & Dec. 11-Jan. 3		
Other ducks	Nov. 1-Nov. 11 & Nov. 27-Jan. 24		
Mergansers	Same as ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
North Zone	Nov. 15-Nov. 29 &	2	4
	Dec. 19-Jan. 24	2	4
South Zone	Nov. 22-Dec. 3 &	2	4
	Dec. 16-Jan. 24	2	4
Coastal Zone	Nov. 27-Dec. 6 &	2	4
	Dec. 15-Jan. 24	2	4
(special season)	Jan. 26-Feb. 14	5	10
Light Geese:			
North Zone	Oct. 11-Feb. 12	15	--
South Zone	Oct. 18-Oct. 25 &	15	–
	Nov. 15-Mar. 10	15	--
Coastal Zone	Oct. 2-Feb. 3	15	--
Brant:			
North Zone	Same as for Other ducks	3	6
South Zone	Same as for Other ducks	3	6
Coastal Zone	Same as for Other ducks	3	6
New York			
Ducks:		6	12
Long Island Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 7-Jan. 5		
Pintails	Nov. 21-Nov. 30 & Dec. 7-Dec. 26		
Other ducks	Nov. 21-Nov. 30 & Dec. 7-Jan. 25		
Lake Champlain Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 1-Nov. 30		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Oct. 13 & Oct. 25-Nov. 20		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Oct. 13 & Oct. 25-Dec. 20		
Northeastern Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 3-Nov. 15 & Nov. 27-Dec. 13		
Pintails	Oct. 4-Nov. 2		
Other ducks	Oct. 4-Nov. 15 & Nov. 27-Dec. 13		

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
New York (cont.)			
Southeastern Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 29-Dec. 28		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Oct. 19 &		
	Nov. 8-Nov. 28		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Oct. 19 &		
	Nov. 8-Dec. 28		
Western Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 17-Dec. 2 &		
	Dec. 27-Jan. 9		
Pintails	Oct. 18-Nov. 16		
Other ducks	Oct. 18-Dec. 2 &		
	Dec. 27-Jan. 9		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
Western Long Island (NAP)	Nov. 21-Jan. 29	3	6
Eastern Long Island (NAP)	Nov. 21-Nov. 30 &	2	4
	Dec. 7-Jan. 25	2	4
Lake Champlain (AP) Zone	Oct. 25-Dec. 8	2	4
Saint Lawrence (RP) Zone	Oct. 25-Jan. 2	5	10
Northeast (AP) Zone	Oct. 25-Nov. 16 &	2	4
	Nov. 22-Dec. 13	2	4
East Central (AP) Zone	Nov. 1-Nov. 16 &	2	4
	Nov. 30-Dec. 28	2	4
West Central (AP) Zone	Oct. 25-Nov. 16 &	2	4
	Dec. 27-Jan. 17	2	4
Southwest (SJBP) Zone	Oct. 25-Jan. 2	2	4
South Central (RP)	Oct. 25-Jan. 2	5	10
(special season)	Feb. 7-Feb. 12	5	10
Light Geese:			
Long Island Zone	Oct. 4-Oct. 22 &	15	--
	Nov. 21-Nov. 30 &	15	--
	Dec. 24-Mar. 10	15	--
Lake Champlain Zone	Oct. 11-Dec. 31 &	15	--
Northeastern Zone	Oct. 4-Jan. 3 &	15	--
	Feb. 25-Mar. 10	15	--
Southeastern Zone	Oct. 11-Jan. 10 &	15	--
	Feb. 25-Mar. 10	15	--
Western Zone	Oct. 18-Jan. 17 &	15	--
	Feb. 25-Mar. 10	15	--
Brant:			
Long Island Zone	Nov. 21-Nov. 30 &	3	6
	Dec. 7-Jan. 25	3	6
Lake Champlain Zone	Oct. 11-Dec. 9	3	6
Northeastern Zone	Oct. 4-Dec. 2	3	6
Southeastern Zone	Oct. 11-Dec. 9	3	6
Western Zone	Oct. 11-Dec. 9	3	6

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
North Carolina			
Ducks (11):		6	12
Canvasbacks	Dec. 22-Jan. 24		
Pintails	Dec. 22-Jan. 24		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Oct. 4 &		
	Nov. 8-Nov. 29 &		
	Dec. 13-Jan. 24		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
Resident Population Hunt Zone	Nov. 8-Nov. 29 &	5	10
	Dec. 13-Jan. 24	5	10
Southern James Bay Hunt Zone	Oct. 13-Oct. 25 &	2	4
	Nov. 15-Dec. 31	2	4
Northeast Hunt Zone	Closed		
Light Geese	Oct. 21-Oct. 31 &	15	--
	Nov. 15-Mar. 6	15	--
Brant	Nov. 24-Jan. 31	3	6
Pennsylvania			
Ducks:		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 15-Dec. 19		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Oct. 25 &		
	Nov. 15-Dec. 4		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Oct. 25 &		
	Nov. 15-Jan. 8		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 15-Dec. 19		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Oct. 18 &		
	Nov. 15-Dec. 11		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Oct. 18 &		
	Nov. 15-Jan. 15		
Northwest Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 21-Dec. 25		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Oct. 25 &		
	Nov. 1-Nov. 20		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Oct. 25 &		
	Nov. 1-Dec. 25		
Lake Erie Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 2-Jan. 5		
Pintails	Dec. 2-Jan. 5		
Other ducks	Oct. 27-Nov. 1 &		
	Nov. 4-Jan. 5		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
Eastern (AP) Zone	Nov. 15-Nov. 29 &	2	4
	Dec. 15-Jan. 20	2	4
(late season area)	Nov. 15-Nov. 29 &	5	10
	Dec. 9-Jan. 14	5	10

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Pennsylvania (cont.)			
SJBP Zone	Nov. 15-Dec. 31	2	4
(special season)	Jan. 15-Feb. 14	5	10
Pymatuning Zone	Nov. 15-Dec. 25	1	2
Resident (RP) Zone	Nov. 15-Nov. 29 &	5	10
	Dec. 11-Feb. 14	5	10
Special Late Season (portion of AP Zone)	Jan. 15-Feb. 14	5	10
Light Geese	Nov. 7-Mar. 10	15	--
Brant	Oct. 11-Dec. 19	3	6
Rhode Island			
Ducks:		6	12
Canvasbacks	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Oct. 10-Oct. 13 & Nov. 26-Nov. 30 & Dec. 6-Jan. 25		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese	Nov. 22-Nov. 30 &	2	4
	Dec. 6-Jan. 25	2	4
(special season)	Jan. 30-Feb. 15	5	10
Light Geese	Oct. 11-Jan. 25	15	--
Brant	Nov. 22-Nov. 30 &	2	4
	Dec. 6-Jan. 25	2	4
South Carolina			
Ducks (12):		6	12
Canvasbacks	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Nov. 26-Nov. 30 & Dec. 12-Jan. 5		
Other ducks	Nov. 26-Nov. 30 & Dec. 12-Jan. 25		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese (special season)	Nov. 26-Nov. 30 &	5	10
	Dec. 12-Feb. 14	5	10
Light Geese	Same as for ducks	5	10
Brant	Dec. 12-Jan. 25	3	6
Vermont			
Ducks:		6	12
Lake Champlain Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 1-Nov. 30		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Oct. 13 & Oct. 25-Nov. 20		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Oct 13 & Oct. 25-Dec. 20		
Interior Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 1-Nov. 30		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Nov. 9		

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Vermont (cont.)			
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Dec. 9		
Connecticut River Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 26-Dec. 21		
Pintails	Oct. 7-Nov. 5		
Other ducks	Oct. 7-Nov. 9 &		
	Nov. 26-Dec. 21		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese			
Lake Champlain Zone:	Oct. 25-Dec. 8	2	4
Interior Zone:	Oct. 25-Dec. 8	2	4
Connecticut River Zone:	Oct. 7-Nov. 9 &	2	4
	Nov. 26-Dec. 21	2	4
Light Geese			
Lake Champlain Zone:	Oct. 11-Dec. 31	15	–
Interior Zone:	Oct. 11-Dec. 31	15	–
Connecticut River Zone:	Oct. 7-Dec. 21	15	–
Brant			
Lake Champlain Zone:	Oct. 11-Dec. 9	3	6
Interior Zone:	Oct. 11-Dec. 9	3	6
Connecticut River Zone:	Oct. 7-Nov. 9 &	3	6
	Nov. 26-Dec. 21	3	6
Virginia			
Ducks (13):		5	10
Canvasbacks	Dec, 22-Jan. 24		
Pintails	Dec. 22-Jan. 24		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Oct. 11 &		
	Nov. 15-Dec. 6 &		
	Dec. 13-Jan. 24		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
Back Bay Area	Closed	--	--
Eastern (AP) Zone	Nov. 22-Dec. 1 &	1	2
	Dec. 13-Jan. 24	1	2
Western (SJBP) Zone	Nov. 24-Dec. 6 &	2	4
	Dec. 13-Jan. 14	2	4
Western (RP) Zone	Nov. 24-Dec. 6 &	2	4
	Dec. 13-Jan. 14	2	4
(special season)	Jan. 15-Feb. 15	5	10
Light Geese	Nov. 7-Mar. 10	15	--
Brant	Nov. 15-Dec. 6 &	3	6
	Dec. 13-Jan. 24	3	6
West Virginia			
Ducks (14):		6	12
Zone 1:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 22-Jan. 20		

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
West Virginia (cont.)			
Pintails	Dec. 22-Jan. 20		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Oct. 11 & Dec. 4-Jan. 20		
Zone 2:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 5-Jan. 3		
Pintails	Dec. 5-Jan. 3		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Oct. 11 & Nov. 17-Jan. 3		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
Zone 1	Oct. 1-Oct. 11 &	3	6
	Dec. 4-Jan. 31	3	6
Zone 2	Oct. 1-Oct. 25 &	3	6
	Dec. 18-Jan. 31	3	6
Light Geese:			
Zone 1	Same as for Canada geese	5	10
Zone 2	Same as for Canada geese	5	10
Brant	Same as for Other ducks	3	6

(1) In Delaware, the black duck season is open November 24 to January 15 with a daily bag limit of 1.
(2) In Delaware, the February 9 to March 5 Bombay Hook NWR snow goose season is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays only.
(3) In Delaware, the January 31 to March 10 Rest of State snow goose season is open Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays only.
(4) In Florida, the Canada goose season is only open in the Florida waters of Lake Seminole in Jackson County that are south of SR2, north of the Jim Woodruff Dam, and east of SR271.
(5) In Florida, the light goose season is only open north and west of the Suwannee River.
(6) In Maine, the season is closed for black ducks October 1 through October 3; in addition to the daily bag limit, 2 additional teal may be taken. A possession limit of 12 ducks is permitted provided it includes 4 or more teal.
(7) In Maryland, the black duck season is closed October 25 through November 1. In addition to the daily bag limit, 1 additional teal may be taken.
(8) In Maryland, the February 2 to March 10 snow goose season is open Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays only.
(9) In Massachusetts, the daily bag limit may include no more than 4 of any single species in addition to the flyway-wide bag restrictions.
(10) In New Jersey, the daily bag limit for buffleheads is 6.
(11) In North Carolina, the season is closed for black ducks October 1 through October 4 and November 8 through November 29. The daily bag limit for Black and Mottled ducks are combined with no more than 1 of either sex allowed in the bag.
(12) In South Carolina, the daily bag limit of 6 may not exceed 1 female mallard and 1 black duck or 1 mottled duck in the aggregate.
(13) In Virginia, the season is closed for black ducks October 8 through October 11.
(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), 3 mottled ducks, 1 black duck, 1 pintail, 1 canvasback, 2 redheads, 3 scaup, and 2 wood ducks. The possession limit is twice the daily bag limit.

Merganser Limits: The merganser limits include no more than 1 hooded merganser daily and 2 in possession. In states that include mergansers in the duck bag limit, the daily limit is the same as the duck bag limit, of which only 1 daily and 2 in possession may be hooded mergansers.

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Alabama			
Ducks:		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Nov. 27-Jan. 25		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Nov. 27-Jan. 25		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Dark Geese:			
North Zone:			
SJBP Zone	Dec. 13-Jan. 31	2	4
Rest of North Zone	Sept. 27-Sept. 30 &	2	4
	Nov. 27-Jan. 31	2	4
South Zone	Sept. 27-Sept. 30 &	2	4
	Nov. 27-Jan. 31	2	4
Light Geese	Same as for Dark Geese	5	5
Arkansas			
Ducks (1):		6	12
Canvasbacks	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Nov. 22-Nov. 30 & Jan. 5-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Nov. 22-Dec. 7 & Dec. 12-Dec. 24 & Dec. 26-Jan. 25		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
Northwest Zone	Oct. 4-Oct. 13 &	2	4
	Jan. 8-Jan. 30	2	4
Remainder of State	Jan. 8-Jan. 30	2	4

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Arkansas (cont.)			
White-fronted	Nov. 6-Jan. 30	2	4
Brant	Closed	--	--
Light Geese	Nov. 6-Jan. 30	20	--
Illinois			
Ducks (1):		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 16-Nov. 14		
Pintails	Oct. 16-Nov. 14		
Other ducks	Oct. 16-Dec. 14		
Central Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 23-Nov. 21		
Pintails	Oct. 23-Nov. 21		
Other ducks	Oct. 23-Dec. 21		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 20-Dec. 19		
Pintails	Nov. 20-Dec. 19		
Other ducks	Nov. 20-Jan. 18		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada (2):			
North Zone:			
Northern Illinois:			
Quota Zone (2)	Oct. 16-Jan. 13	2	10
Rest of North Zone	Oct. 16-Jan. 13	2	10
Central Zone:			
Central Illinois:			
Quota Zone (2)	Oct. 23-Oct. 26 &	2	10
	Nov. 7-Jan. 31	2	10
Rest of Central Zone	Oct. 23-Oct. 26 &	2	10
	Nov. 7-Jan. 31	2	10
South Zone:			
Southern Illinois:			
Quota Zone (2)(3)	Nov. 20-Nov. 23 &	2	10
	Dec. 6-Jan. 31	2	10
Rest of South Zone	Nov. 20-Nov. 23 &	2	10
	Dec. 6-Jan. 31	2	10
White-fronted (4):			
North Zone	Oct. 16--Jan. 13	1	2
Central Zone	Oct. 23-Jan. 31	1	2
South Zone	Nov. 20-Jan. 31	2	4
Brant (4)	Same as for Light Geese	1	2
Light Geese (4):			
North Zone	Oct. 16-Jan. 13	20	--
Central Zone	Oct. 23-Jan. 31	20	–
South Zone	Nov. 20-Jan. 31	20	–

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Indiana			
Ducks:		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 25-Nov. 23		
Pintails	Oct. 25-Nov. 23		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Oct. 13 &		
	Oct. 25-Dec. 20		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 22-Dec. 21		
Pintails	Nov. 22-Dec. 21		
Other ducks	Oct. 25-Oct. 31 &		
	Nov. 22-Jan. 13		
Ohio River Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 22-Dec. 21		
Pintails	Nov. 22-Dec. 21		
Other ducks	Oct. 25-Oct. 26 &		
	Nov. 22-Jan. 18		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
North Zone:			
SJBP Area	Oct. 11-Oct. 13 &	2	4
	Oct. 25-Dec. 10	2	4
Rest of North Zone	Oct. 11-Oct. 13 &	2	4
	Oct. 25-Dec. 30	2	4
South Zone:	Nov. 8-Nov. 11 &	2	4
	Nov. 27-Jan. 31	2	4
Ohio River Zone:	Nov. 23-Jan. 31	2	4
White-fronted and Brant	Oct. 11-Oct. 13 &	1	2
	Oct. 22-Jan. 31	1	2
Light Geese	Oct. 11-Oct. 13 &	20	–
	Oct. 22-Jan. 31	20	--
Iowa			
Ducks:		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 18-Nov. 16		
Pintails	Sept. 20-Sept. 24 &		
	Oct. 11-Nov. 4		
Other ducks	Sept. 20-Sept. 24 &		
	Oct. 11-Dec. 4		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 25-Nov. 23		
Pintails	Sept. 20-Sept. 22 &		
	Oct. 18-Nov. 13		
Other ducks	Sept. 20-Sept. 22 &		
	Oct. 18-Dec. 13		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Iowa (cont.)			
Geese:			
Canada:			
North Zone	Sept. 27-Dec. 5	2	4
South Zone	Sept. 27-Oct. 19 &	2	4
	Nov. 8-Dec. 24	2	4
White-fronted:			
North Zone	Sept. 27-Dec. 21	2	4
South Zone	Sept. 27-Dec. 21	2	4
Brant:			
North Zone	Same as for Canada geese	2	4
South Zone	Same as for Canada geese	2	4
Light Geese	Sept. 27-Jan. 11	20	--
Kentucky			
Ducks:		6	12
West Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Nov. 27-Jan. 25		
East Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 27-Jan.25		
Pintails	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Nov. 27-Jan. 25		
Mergansers	Same as for Other Ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other Ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada (2):			
Western Goose Zone (2):			
Fulton County	Dec. 6-Feb. 15	2	4
Rest of Zone	Dec. 6-Jan. 31	2	4
Pennyroyal/Coalfield Zone	Dec. 13-Jan. 31	2	4
Rest of State	Dec. 13-Jan. 31	2	4
White-fronted	Nov. 27-Feb. 1	2	4
Brant	Nov. 27-Feb. 1	2	4
Light Geese			
Western Goose Zone:			
Fulton County (5):	Nov. 27-Feb. 15	20	–
Rest of Zone:	Nov. 27-Feb. 1	20	–
Rest of State	Nov. 27-Feb. 1	20	–
Louisiana			
Ducks:		6	12
West Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 20-Jan. 18		
Pintails	Nov. 8-Nov. 30 &		
	Dec. 13-Dec. 19		
Other ducks	Nov. 8-Nov. 30 &		
	Dec. 13-Jan. 18		
East Zone (including Catahoula Lake):			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Louisiana (cont.)			
Pintails	Nov. 15-Nov. 30 &		
	Dec. 13-Dec. 26		
Other ducks	Nov. 15-Nov. 30 &		
	Dec. 13-Jan. 25		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada (6)	Jan. 17-Jan. 25	1	2
White-fronted and Brant:	Nov. 1-Nov. 30 &	2	4
	Dec. 13-Feb. 6	2	4
Light Geese:	Nov. 1-Nov. 30 &	20	–
	Dec. 13-Feb. 6	20	--
Michigan			
Ducks (7):		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 27-Nov. 25		
Pintails	Sept. 27-Oct. 26		
Other ducks	Sept. 27-Nov. 25		
Middle Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 3-Nov. 30 &		
	Jan. 3-Jan. 4		
Pintails	Oct. 4-Nov. 2		
Other ducks	Oct. 4-Nov. 30 &		
	Jan. 3-Jan. 4		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 10-Dec. 7 &		
	Jan. 3-Jan. 4		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Nov. 9		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Dec. 7 &		
	Jan. 3-Jan. 4		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada (2):			
MVP Zone:			
Muskegon Wastewater Goose Management Unit (GMU) (2)	Oct. 16-Nov. 14 &	2	4
	Dec. 2-Dec. 21	2	4
Allegan County GMU (2)	Nov. 1-Nov. 9 &	1	2
	Dec. 13-Jan. 22	1	2
Rest of MVP Zone	Sept. 20-Nov. 6 &	2	4
	Dec. 13-Dec. 19	2	4
SJBP Zone:			
Saginaw County GMU (2)	Oct. 11-Nov. 29	1	2
Tuscola/Huron GMU (2)	Oct. 11-Nov. 29	1	2
Rest of SJBP Zone	Sept. 20-Oct. 12 &	2	4
	Dec. 13-Dec. 19	2	4

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Michigan (cont.)			
Special Season:			
Southern Michigan GMU	Jan. 3-Feb. 1	5	10
Central Michigan GMU	Jan. 3-Feb. 1	5	10
White-fronted and Brant	Sept. 20-Dec. 7	1	2
Light Geese	Sept. 20-Dec. 7	10	30
Minnesota			
Ducks:		6	12
Canvasbacks	Oct. 11-Nov. 9		
Pintails	Sept. 27-Oct. 26		
Other ducks	Sept. 27-Nov. 25		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots (8)	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada (2):			
West Zone:			
West Central Zone	Oct. 11-Nov. 19	1	2
Rest of West Zone	Sept. 27-Nov. 5	1	2
(Special season)	Dec. 6- Dec. 15	5	10
Northwest Zone	Sept. 27-Nov. 5	1	2
(Special season)	Dec. 6-Dec. 15	5	10
Southeast Zone	Sept. 27-Dec. 5	2	4
(special season)	Dec. 12-Dec. 21	2	4
Rest of State	Sept. 27-Dec. 5	2	4
(special season)	Dec. 6-Dec. 15	5	10
White-fronted	Sept. 27-Dec. 21	2	4
Brant	Sept. 27-Dec. 21	1	2
Light Geese	Sept. 27-Dec. 21	20	40
Mississippi			
Ducks:		6	12
Canvasbacks	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Nov. 21-Nov. 23 & Nov. 28-Dec. 23 & Dec. 26-Jan. 25		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada	Nov. 21-Jan. 25	3	6
White-fronted	Nov. 21-Jan. 25	2	4
Brant	Nov. 21-Jan. 25	2	4
Light Geese	Nov. 21-Jan. 25	20	--
Missouri			
Ducks and Mergansers:		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 25-Nov. 23		
Pintails	Oct. 25-Nov. 23		
Other ducks/mergansers	Oct. 25-Dec. 23		

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Missouri (cont.)			
Middle Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 1-Nov. 30		
Pintails	Nov. 1-Nov. 30		
Other ducks/mergansers	Nov. 1-Dec. 30		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 22-Dec. 21		
Pintails	Nov. 22-Dec. 21		
Other ducks/mergansers	Nov. 22-Jan. 20		
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
North Zone:			
Swan Lake Zone	Oct. 25-Nov. 30&	2	4
	Dec. 20-Jan. 18	2	4
Rest of North Zone	Sept. 27-Oct. 12 &	3	6
	Oct. 25-Nov. 23 &	2	4
	Dec. 20-Jan. 18	2	4
Middle Zone:			
Southeast Zone	Oct. 4-Oct. 12 &	2	4
	Nov. 22-Jan. 25	2	4
Rest of Middle Zone	Sept. 27-Oct. 12 &	3	6
	Nov. 1-Nov. 30 &	2	4
	Dec. 27-Jan. 25	2	4
South Zone	Oct. 4-Oct. 12 &	3	6
	Nov. 22-Jan. 25	2	4
White-fronted:			
North Zone:			
Swan Lake Zone	Oct. 25-Jan. 18	2	4
Rest of North Zone	Oct. 25-Jan. 18	2	4
Middle Zone:			
Southeast Zone	Nov. 1-Jan. 25	2	4
Rest of Middle Zone	Nov. 1-Jan. 25	2	4
South Zone	Nov. 1-Jan. 25	2	4
Brant	Same as for Canada geese	2	4
Light Geese:			
North Zone:			
Swan Lake Zone	Oct. 25-Jan. 18	20	--
Rest of North Zone	Oct. 25-Jan. 18	20	--
Middle Zone:			
Southeast Zone	Nov. 1-Jan. 25	20	--
Rest of Middle Zone	Nov. 1-Jan. 25	20	--
South Zone	Nov. 1-Jan. 25	20	--
Ohio			
Ducks (9):		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 31-Nov. 29		
Pintails	Oct. 18-Nov. 16		
Other ducks	Oct. 18-Nov. 29 &		
	Dec. 7-Dec. 23		

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Ohio (cont.)			
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 13-Jan. 11		
Pintails	Oct. 25-Nov. 1 &		
	Dec. 13-Jan. 3		
Other ducks	Oct. 25-Nov. 16 &		
	Dec. 13-Jan. 18		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
North Zone:			
Lake Erie SJBP Zone	Oct. 18-Oct. 26 &	1	2
	Dec. 7-Jan. 1	1	2
Rest of North Zone	Oct. 18-Nov. 29 &	2	4
	Dec. 7-Jan. 2	2	4
(special season)	Jan. 17-Feb. 5	2	4
South Zone	Oct. 25-Nov. 16 &	2	4
	Dec. 13-Jan. 28	2	4
White-fronted and Brant	Same as for Canada geese	2	4
Light Geese	Same as for Canada geese	10	30
Tennessee			
Ducks:		6	12
Reelfoot Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Nov. 27-Jan. 25		
State Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Dec. 27-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Nov. 27-Jan. 25		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada (10):			
Northwest Zone	Dec. 6-Feb. 15	2	4
Southwest Zone	Dec. 13-Jan. 31	2	4
Kentucky/Barkley Lakes Zone	Dec. 13-Jan. 31	2	4
Rest of State (10)	Oct. 4-Oct. 13 &	2	4
	Nov. 27-Jan. 25	2	4
White-fronted	Nov. 22-Feb. 15	2	4
Brant	Nov. 27-Jan. 31	2	4
Light Geese	Nov. 15-Feb. 29	20	--
Wisconsin			
Ducks:		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Sept. 27-Oct. 26		
Pintails	Sept. 27-Oct. 26		
Other ducks	Sept. 27-Nov. 25		

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
Wisconsin (cont.)			
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 18-Nov. 16		
Pintails	Oct. 4-Oct. 12 &		
	Oct. 18-Nov. 7		
Other ducks	Oct. 4-Oct. 12 &		
	Oct. 18-Dec. 7		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	10	20
Geese:			
Canada (2):			
Horicon Zone	Sept. 16-Dec. 17	Tag System--See State Regulations	
Collins Zone	Sept. 16-Nov. 21	Tag System--See State Regulations	
Exterior Zone (2):			
Rock Prairie Subzone	Sept. 20-Dec. 21	1	2
Mississippi River Subzone	Oct. 4-Oct. 12 &	1	2
	Oct. 18-Dec. 17	1	2
Brown County Subzone	Sept. 20-Dec. 21	1	2
Rest of Exterior Zone:			
North Duck Zone	Sept. 20-Dec. 21	1	2
South Duck Zone	Sept. 20-Dec. 21	1	2
White-fronted and Brant	Same as for Canada geese	1	2
Light Geese	Same as for Canada geese	10	30

(1) In Arkansas and in Illinois, the daily bag limit may include no more than one hen mallard.
(2) Harvests of Canada geese will be limited by quotas established in the September 2003, Federal Register. When it has been determined that the quota of Canada geese allotted to the Northern Illinois, Central Illinois, and Southern Illinois Quota Zones in Illinois, the Ballard and Henderson-Union Subzones in Kentucky, the Allegan County, Muskegon Wastewater, Saginaw County, and Tuscola/Huron Goose Management Units in Michigan, and the Exterior Zone in Wisconsin will have been filled, the season for taking Canada geese in the respective Zone (and associated area, if applicable) will be closed either by 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.
(3) In Illinois, shooting hours for geese in the Southern Illinois quota Zone through January 28 shall close at 3 p.m.
(4) In Illinois, white-fronted goose, light goose, and brant seasons will close with Canada goose seasons if the season closes early due the quota being reached.
(5) In Kentucky, in Fulton County, if the Canada goose season closes after January 31 and before February 15, the season for light geese will close with the Canada goose season.
(6) In Louisiana, during the Canada goose season, a special permit is required by the State.
(7) In Michigan, the daily bag limit includes no more than 1 hen mallard.
(8) In Minnesota, the daily bag limit is 15 and the possession limit is 30 coots and moorhens in the aggregate.
(9) In Ohio, the daily bag limit may include no more than 3 mallards, only 1 of which may be a hen.
(10) In Tennessee, see State regulations for permit requirements and additional restrictions.

CENTRAL FLYWAY

Flyway-wide Restrictions

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

Merganser Limits: The daily bag limit is 5 mergansers with 10 in possession and may include no more than 1 hooded merganser daily and 2 in possession. In states that include mergansers in the duck bag limit, the daily limit is the same as the duck bag limit, of which only 1 daily and 2 in possession may be hooded mergansers.

		Limits	
	Season Dates	Bag	Possession
Colorado			
Ducks:		6	12
Canvasbacks	Oct. 4-Oct. 26 & Nov. 1-Nov. 16		
Pintails	Oct. 4-Oct. 26 & Nov. 1-Nov. 16		
Other ducks	Oct. 4-Oct. 26 & Nov. 1-Nov. 30 & Dec. 7-Jan. 18		
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Dark Geese:			
Northern Front Range Unit	Oct. 4-Oct. 12 &	3	6
	Nov. 22-Feb. 15	3	6
South Park/San Luis Valley Unit	Oct. 4-Oct. 12 &	3	6
	Nov. 22-Feb. 15	3	6
North Park Unit	Oct. 4-Oct. 12 &	3	6
	Nov. 22-Feb. 15	3	6
Arkansas Valley Unit (1)	Nov. 22-Feb. 15	3	6
Pueblo County	Dec. 6-Feb. 15	2	4
Rest of State in Central Flyway	Nov. 22-Feb. 15	3	6
Light Geese:			
Northern Front Range Unit	Nov. 22-Feb. 15	20	--
South Park/San Luis Valley Unit	Nov. 22-Feb. 15	3	6
North Park Unit	Nov. 22-Feb. 15	3	6
Arkansas Valley Unit (1)	Nov. 15-Feb. 22	20	--
Pueblo County	Nov. 15-Feb. 22	20	--
Rest of State in Central Flyway	Nov. 8-Feb. 22	20	--
Kansas			
Ducks (2):		6	12
High Plains:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 11-Nov. 18		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Nov. 18		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Jan 6 & Jan. 17-Jan. 25		

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Kansas (cont.)			
Low Plains:			
Early Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 11-Nov. 18		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Nov. 18		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Dec. 14 & Dec. 26-Jan. 3		
Late Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 25-Nov. 2 & Nov. 8-Dec. 7		
Pintails	Oct. 25-Nov. 2 & Nov. 8-Dec. 7		
Other ducks	Oct. 25-Nov. 2 & Nov. 8-Jan. 11		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Dark Geese (3):			
Canada	Oct. 18-Oct. 19 &	3	6
	Nov. 1-Feb. 1	3	6
White-fronted	Oct. 18-Oct. 19 &	2	4
	Nov. 1-Jan. 23	2	4
Light Geese	Oct. 18-Feb. 1	20	--
Montana			
Ducks:		6	12
Zone 1:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 4-Nov. 11		
Pintails	Oct. 4-Nov. 11		
Other ducks	Oct. 4-Jan. 8		
Zone 2:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 4-Nov. 11		
Pintails	Oct. 4-Nov. 11		
Other ducks	Oct. 4-Jan. 8		
Mergansers	Oct. 4-Jan. 8	5	10
Coots	Oct. 4-Jan. 8	15	30
Dark Geese	Oct. 4-Jan. 16	4	8
Light Geese	Oct. 4-Jan. 16	5	10
Nebraska			
Ducks:		6	12
High Plains:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 4-Nov. 11		
Pintails	Oct. 4-Nov. 11		
Other ducks	Oct. 4-Dec. 14 & Dec. 20-Jan. 12		
Low Plains:			
Zones 1 and 2:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 18-Oct. 19 & Oct. 25-Nov. 30		
Pintails	Oct. 18-Oct. 19 & Oct. 25-Nov. 30		

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Nebraska (cont.)			
Other ducks	Oct. 18-Oct. 19 & Oct. 25-Jan. 4		
Zones 3 and 4:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 4-Nov. 11		
Pintails	Oct. 4-Nov. 11		
Other ducks	Oct. 4-Dec. 14 & Dec. 20-Dec. 21		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
Niobrara Unit	Nov. 1-Feb. 3	3	6
East Unit	Oct. 4-Oct. 12 &	3	6
	Oct. 25-Jan. 18	3	6
North Central Unit	Oct. 4-Jan. 6	3	6
Platte River Unit	Nov. 1-Feb. 3	3	6
White-fronted	Oct. 4-Dec. 28	2	4
Light Geese:			
Rainwater Basin Area - East	Oct. 4-Jan. 16	20	--
Rainwater Basin Area - West	Oct. 4-Jan. 16	20	--
Rest of State	Oct. 4-Jan. 16	20	–
New Mexico			
Ducks and Mergansers (4):		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 8-Nov. 15		
Pintails	Oct. 8-Nov. 15		
Other ducks/mergansers	Oct. 8-Jan. 11		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 18-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Dec. 18-Jan. 25		
Other ducks/mergansers	Oct. 22-Jan. 25		
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Dark Geese (5):			
Middle Rio Grande Valley Unit (5)	Jan. 17-Jan. 25	2	2
Rest of State	Oct. 17-Jan. 31	4	8
Light Geese	Oct. 17-Jan. 31	20	80
North Dakota			
Ducks:		6	12
High Plains:			
Canvasbacks	Sept. 27-Nov. 4		
Pintails	Sept. 27-Nov. 4		
Other ducks	Sept. 27-Dec. 7 & Dec. 13-Jan. 4		
Remainder of State:			
Canvasbacks	Sept. 27-Nov. 4		
Pintails	Sept. 27-Nov. 4		
Other ducks	Sept. 27-Dec. 7		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
North Dakota (cont.)			
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada Geese (6):			
High Plains Unit	Sept. 27-Dec. 25	3	6
Rest of State	Sept. 27-Dec. 25	3	6
White-fronted (6)	Sept. 27-Dec. 21	2	4
Light Geese (6)	Sept. 27-Dec. 25	20	--
Oklahoma			
Ducks:		6	12
High Plains:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 11-Nov. 18		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Nov. 18		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Dec. 7 & Dec. 13-Jan. 12		
Low Plains:			
Zone 1:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 25-Dec. 2		
Pintails	Oct. 25-Dec. 2		
Other ducks	Oct. 25-Dec. 7 & Dec. 13-Jan. 11		
Zone 2:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 18-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Dec. 18-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Nov. 8-Dec. 7 & Dec. 13-Jan. 25		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada	Nov. 8-Dec. 7 &	3	6
	Dec. 13-Feb. 15	3	6
White-fronted	Nov. 8-Dec. 7 &	2	4
	Dec. 13-Feb. 6	2	4
Light Geese	Nov. 8-Dec. 7 &	20	--
	Dec. 13-Feb. 15	20	--
South Dakota			
Ducks:		6	12
High Plains:			
Canvasbacks	Sept. 27-Nov. 4		
Pintails	Sept. 27-Nov. 4		
Other ducks	Sept. 27-Dec. 9 & Dec. 13-Jan. 4		
Low Plains:			
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Sept. 27-Nov. 4		
Pintails	Sept. 27-Nov. 4		
Other ducks	Sept. 27-Dec. 9		

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
South Dakota (cont.)			
Middle Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Sept. 27-Nov. 4		
Pintails	Sept. 27-Nov. 4		
Other ducks	Sept. 27-Dec. 9		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 11-Nov. 18		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Nov. 18		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Dec. 23		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
White-fronted	Sept. 27-Dec. 21	2	4
Canada:			
Unit 1	Sept. 27-Dec. 25	3	6
Unit 2	Oct. 25-Jan. 27	3	6
Unit 3:			
Power Plant Area	Sept. 27-Nov. 30 &	3	6
	Dec. 1-Dec. 14	2	4
Rest of Unit	Sept. 27-Dec. 14	3	6
Unit 4	Oct. 25-Dec. 1 &	3	6
	Jan. 10-Jan. 18	3	6
Light Geese	Sept. 27-Dec. 21	20	--
Texas			
Ducks:		6	12
High Plains:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 18-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Dec. 18-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Oct. 25-Oct. 27 &		
	Nov. 1-Jan. 25		
Low Plains:			
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 18-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Dec. 18-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Nov. 8-Nov. 9 &		
	Nov. 15-Jan. 25		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 11-Jan. 18		
Pintails	Dec. 11-Jan. 18		
Other ducks	Oct. 25-Oct. 26 &		
	Nov. 8-Jan. 18		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
East Tier:			
South Zone:			
Canada geese and Brant	Oct. 25-Jan. 18	3	6
White-fronted	Oct. 25-Jan. 18	2	4
Light Geese	Oct. 25-Jan. 18	20	–

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Texas (cont.)			
North Zone:			
Canada geese and Brant	Nov. 1-Jan. 25	3	6
White-fronted	Nov. 1-Jan. 25	2	4
Light Geese	Oct. 25-Jan. 25	20	–
West Tier:			
Dark Geese:			
Canada geese and Brant	Nov. 1-Feb. 3	3	6
White-fronted	Nov. 1-Feb. 3	1	2
Light Geese	Oct. 25-Feb. 3	20	--
Wyoming			
Ducks:		6	12
Zone 1:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 4-Oct. 19 & Oct. 25-Nov. 16		
Pintails	Oct. 4-Oct. 19 & Oct. 25-Nov. 16		
Other ducks	Oct. 4-Oct. 19 & Oct. 25-Jan. 13		
Zone 2:			
Canvasbacks	Sept. 27-Oct. 19 & Oct. 25-Nov. 9		
Pintails	Sept. 27-Oct. 19 & Oct. 25-Nov. 9		
Other ducks	Sept. 27-Oct. 19 & Oct. 25-Dec. 14 Dec. 20-Jan. 11		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Dark Geese:			
Zone 1	Oct. 4-Oct. 19 &	5	10
	Nov. 1-Dec. 14 &	5	10
	Dec. 20-Feb. 3	5	10
Zone 2	Sept. 27-Oct. 12 &	5	10
	Nov. 1-Dec. 14 &	5	10
	Dec. 20-Feb. 3	5	10
Zone 3 (7):	Oct. 4-Oct. 19 &	1	2
	Nov. 15-Feb. 12	5	10
Light Geese	Oct. 4-Dec. 31 &	10	40
	Jan. 27-Feb. 12	10	40

(1) In Colorado, in the Arkansas Valley Unit, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to noon November 15 through November 21.

(2) In Kansas, the daily bag limit may include no more than 2 scaup and 1 hen mallard.

(3) See State regulations for additional restrictions.

(4) In New Mexico, the daily bag limit consists of no more than 5 mallards (of which only 2 may be female mallards), 2 redheads, 2 scaup, 2 wood ducks, 1 hooded merganser, and 1 northern pintail (see dates by zone).

(5) In New Mexico, the season for dark geese is closed in Bernalillo and Sandoval Counties. In the Middle Rio Grande Valley Unit, a state permit is required.

(6) In North Dakota, the shooting hours for geese are one-half hour before sunrise to 1 p.m. through October 25 and until 2 p.m. the remainder of the season, except that during September 27 through December 25, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to sunset on Saturdays and Wednesdays for Canada and white-fronted geese.

(7) In Wyoming, the shooting hours for dark geese in Goshen County are one-half hour before sunrise to 1 p.m., except during the period October 4 through October 19 and on all Saturdays and Wednesdays after November 15 until the close of the dark goose season, when shooting hours are until sunset. In Platte County, shooting hours for dark geese in the area east of Interstate Highway 25 and north of Wyoming Highway 160 and Platte County Road 271 are 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset. In the remainder of Platte County, shooting hours for dark geese are 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1 p.m. except during the period October 4 through October 19 and on all Saturdays and Wednesdays from November 15 until the close of the dark goose season, and on all Sundays from January 1 until the close of the dark goose season, when shooting hours are until sunset.

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, 1 pintail, 1 canvasback, 2 redheads, and 4 scaup. The possession limit is twice the daily bag limit.

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

Goose Limits: Daily bag limits for geese may not exceed 2 white-fronted geese and 3 light geese. The possession limit is twice the daily bag limit.

		Limits	
	Season Dates	Bag	Possession
Arizona			
Ducks (1):		7	14
North Zone			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 27-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Nov. 27-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Oct. 17-Jan. 25		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 27-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Nov. 27-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Oct. 17-Jan. 25		
Coots and moorhens	Oct. 17-Jan. 25	25	25
Geese:			
Dark (2):			
GMU 22 & 23	Nov. 15-Jan. 25	3	3
GMU 1 & 27	Dec. 1-Jan. 25	3	3
Rest of State	Oct. 17-Jan. 25	3	3
Light (2):			
GMU 22 & 23	Nov. 15-Jan. 25	3	3
Rest of State	Oct. 17-Jan. 25	3	3
California			
Ducks:		7	14
Northeastern Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 11-Dec. 9		

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
California (cont.)			
Pintails	Oct. 11-Nov. 30 & Jan. 17-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Dec. 9 & Dec. 12-Jan. 25		
Colorado River Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 27-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Nov. 27-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Oct. 17-Jan. 25		
Southern Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 27-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Nov. 27-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Oct. 18-Jan. 25		
Southern San Joaquin Valley Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 27-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Oct. 18-Oct. 26 & Dec. 6-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Oct. 18-Nov. 19 & Nov. 21-Jan. 25		
Balance-of-State Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 27-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Oct. 18-Oct. 26 & Dec. 6-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Oct. 18-Nov. 19 & Nov. 21-Jan. 25		
Coots and moorhens:			
Northeastern Zone	Same as for Other ducks	25	25
Colorado River Zone	Same as for Other ducks	25	25
Southern Zone	Same as for Other ducks	25	25
Southern San Joaquin Valley Zone	Same as for Other ducks	25	25
Balance-of-State Zone	Same as for Other ducks	25	25
Geese:			
Northeastern Zone:		3	6
Canada Geese	Oct. 11-Jan. 18	2	4
Small Canada Geese (3)	Oct. 11-Jan. 18	1	2
White-fronted Geese	Oct. 11-Jan. 18	2	4
Light Geese	Oct. 11-Jan. 18	3	6
Colorado River Zone:		6	12
Canada Geese	Oct. 17-Jan. 25	3	6
White-fronted Geese	Oct. 17-Jan. 25	3	6
Light Geese	Oct. 17-Jan. 25	3	6
Southern Zone:		5	10
Dark Geese:		3	6
Canada geese	Oct. 18-Jan. 25	3	6
Small Canada Geese (3)	Oct. 18-Jan. 25	1	2
White-fronted Geese	Oct. 18-Jan. 25	3	6
Light Geese	Oct. 18-Jan. 25	3	6

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
California (cont.)			
Balance-of-State Zone:		3	6
Dark Geese :	Nov. 1-Jan. 25	2	4
Canada:			
Del Norte & Humboldt	Nov. 8-Nov. 23	--	--
Sacramento Valley Area	Closed	--	--
Rest of Zone:	Nov. 1-Jan. 25	2	4
Small Canada geese (3)	Nov. 1-Jan. 25	1	2
White-fronted:			
Sacramento Valley Closure	Nov. 1-Dec. 14	2	4
Rest of Zone	Nov. 1-Jan. 25	2	4
Light Geese	Nov. 1-Jan. 25	3	6
Brant	Nov. 10-Dec. 9	2	4
Colorado			
Ducks:		7	14
Canvasbacks	Oct. 4-Oct. 19 & Oct. 29-Dec. 11		
Pintails	Oct. 4-Oct. 19 & Oct. 29-Dec. 11		
Other ducks	Oct. 4-Oct. 19 & Oct. 29-Jan. 25		
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	25	25
Geese:	Oct. 4-Oct. 10 &	3	6
	Oct. 29-Jan. 25	3	6
Idaho			
Ducks:		7	14
Zone 1:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 4-Dec. 2		
Pintails	Oct. 4-Dec. 2		
Other ducks	Oct. 4-Jan. 16		
Zone 2:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 4-Dec. 2		
Pintails	Oct. 4-Dec. 2		
Other ducks	Oct. 4-Jan. 16		
Zone 3:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 11-Dec. 9		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Dec. 9		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Jan. 23		
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	25	25
Geese:			
Zone 1:		4	8
Dark	Oct. 4-Jan. 16	4	8
Light	Oct. 4-Jan. 16	4	8
Zone 2:		4	8
Dark	Oct. 11-Jan. 23	4	8
Light	Oct. 11-Jan. 23	4	8
Zone 3:		3	6
Dark	Oct. 11-Jan. 23	3	6
Light	Oct. 11-Jan. 23	3	6

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Idaho (cont.)			
Zone 4 (4):		4	8
Dark	Oct. 4-Jan. 16	4	8
Light	Oct. 4-Jan. 16	4	8
Zone 5:		4	8
Dark	Oct. 4-Jan. 16	4	8
Light	Oct. 4-Jan. 16	4	8
Montana			
Ducks:		7	14
Canvasbacks	Oct. 4-Dec. 2		
Pintails	Oct. 4-Dec. 2		
Other ducks	Oct. 4-Jan. 16		
Coots	Oct. 4-Jan. 16	25	25
Geese (5):			
Dark	Oct. 4-Jan. 16	4	8
Light	Oct. 4-Jan. 16	3	6
Nevada			
Ducks:		7	14
Lincoln & Clark Counties:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 11-Oct. 15 & Nov. 1-Dec. 25		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Oct. 15 & Nov. 1-Dec. 25		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Oct. 15 & Oct. 17-Jan. 25		
Rest of State:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 11-Oct. 15 & Oct. 17-Dec. 10		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Oct. 15 & Dec. 2-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Oct. 15 & Oct. 17-Jan. 25		
Coots and moorhens	Oct. 11-Oct. 15 &	8	16
	Oct. 17-Jan. 25	8	16
Dark Geese:			
Lincoln & Clark Counties	Oct. 18-Jan. 25	2	4
Scripps/Washoe Lake Zone	Oct. 18-Jan. 4	3	6
Rest of State	Oct. 18-Jan. 25	3	6
Light Geese:			
Lincoln & Clark Counties	Oct. 18-Jan. 25	3	6
Scripps/Washoe Lake Zone	Oct. 18-Jan. 4	3	6
Rest of State (6)	Oct. 18-Jan. 25	3	6
New Mexico			
Ducks (7):		7	14
Canvasbacks	Nov. 27-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Nov. 27-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Oct. 13-Jan. 25		
Coots and Moorhens	Same as for Other ducks	12	24

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
New Mexico (cont.)			
Dark Geese (8):			
North Zone	Sept. 27-Oct. 12&	3	6
	Nov. 3-Jan. 25	3	6
South Zone	Oct. 18-Jan. 25	2	4
Light Geese:			
North Zone	Sept. 27-Oct. 12 &	1	2
	Nov. 3-Jan. 25	1	2
South Zone	Oct. 18-Jan. 25	1	2
Oregon			
Ducks:		7	14
Zone 1:			
Columbia Basin Unit:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 11-Oct. 19 &		
	Dec. 6-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Oct. 19 &		
	Dec. 6-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Nov. 2 &		
	Nov. 5- Jan. 25		
Rest of Zone 1:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 11-Oct. 19 &		
	Dec. 6-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Oct. 19 &		
	Dec. 6-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Nov. 2 &		
	Nov. 5- Jan. 25		
Zone 2:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 11-Dec. 9		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Dec. 9		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Dec. 9 &		
	Dec. 12- Jan. 25		
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	25	25
Geese:			
Northwest General Goose Zone:			
Dark Geese	Oct. 11-Oct. 31 &	4	8
	Nov. 15-Jan. 25	4	8
Light Geese	Oct. 11-Oct. 31 &	3	6
	Nov. 15-Jan. 25	3	6
Northwest Special Permit Zone (9):			
Dark Geese	Oct. 25-Nov. 9 &	4	8
	Nov. 22-Jan. 18 &	4	8
	Feb. 11-Feb. 29	4	8
Dusky Canada geese		1 per season	
Cackling Canada geese		4	8
Light Geese	Oct. 25-Nov. 9 &	3	6
	Nov. 22-Jan. 18	3	6
Southwest General Zone (10):			
Dark Geese	Oct. 11-Nov. 30 &	4	8
	Dec. 10-Jan. 25	4	8

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Oregon (cont.)			
Light Geese	Oct. 11-Nov. 30 &	3	6
	Dec. 10-Jan. 25	3	6
Eastern Zone:			
Klamath, Harney, Lake, and Malheur Counties:			
Dark Geese	Oct. 11-Nov. 30 &	4	8
	Dec. 10-Jan. 25	4	8
Cackling Canada geese		1	2
White-fronted geese:			
Lake County		2	4
Rest of Zone		4	8
Light Geese	Oct. 11-Nov. 30 &	3	6
	Dec. 10-Jan. 25	3	6
Remainder of Eastern Zone:			
Dark Geese	Oct. 11-Nov. 2 &	4	8
	Nov. 12-Jan. 25	4	8
Cackling Canada geese		1	2
White-fronted geese		4	8
Light Geese	Oct. 11-Nov. 2 &	3	6
	Nov. 12-Jan. 25	3	6
Brant	Nov. 10-Nov. 23	2	4
Utah (11)			
Ducks:		7	14
Zone 1:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 4-Dec. 2		
Pintails	Oct. 4-Dec. 2		
Other ducks	Oct. 4-Jan. 17		
Zone 2:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 4-Dec. 2		
Pintails	Oct. 4-Dec. 2		
Other ducks	Oct. 4-Jan. 17		
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	25	25
Geese:			
Light	Oct. 4-Jan. 17	3	6
Dark:			
Washington County (12)	Oct. 11-Jan. 24	3	6
Rest of State	Oct. 4-Jan. 17	3	6
Washington			
Ducks:		7	14
East Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 11-Oct. 15 &		
	Dec. 2-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Oct. 15 &		
	Dec. 2-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Oct 15 &		
	Oct. 18-Jan. 25		

	Season Dates	Limits Bag	Limits Possession
Washington (cont.)			
West Zone (13):			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 11-Oct. 15 & Dec. 2-Jan. 25		
Pintails	Oct. 11-Oct. 15 & Dec. 2-Jan. 25		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Oct 15 & Oct. 18-Jan. 25		
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	25	25
Geese (14):		4	8
Management Area 1 (16):			
Light Geese	Oct 11-Jan. 4		
Dark Geese	Oct 11-Oct. 23 & Nov. 1-Jan. 25		
Management Area 2A (15)	Dec. 9-Jan. 24		
Dusky Canada geese		1 per season	
Late-Season Canada Geese	Jan. 31-Mar. 10	4	8
Dusky Canada geese		1 per season	
Management Area 2B (15)	Nov. 15-Jan. 4 & Jan. 31-Mar. 10	4	8
Dusky Canada geese		1 per season	
Management Areas 3 (16)	Oct. 11-Oct. 23 &	4	8
	Nov. 1-Jan. 25	4	8
Management Areas 4 & 5 (16)	Oct. 11-Oct. 13 &	4	8
	Oct. 18-Jan. 25	4	8
Brant (17)	Nov. 22-Nov. 28 &	2	4
	Jan. 17-Jan. 25	2	4
Wyoming			
Ducks:		7	14
Canvasbacks	Sept. 27-Nov. 25		
Pintails	Sept. 27-Nov. 25		
Other ducks	Sept. 27-Jan. 10		
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	25	25
Dark Geese	Sept. 27-Jan. 2	4	8

(1) In Arizona, the daily limit may include no more than either 2 female mallards or 2 Mexican-like ducks, or 1 of each; and not more than 4 female mallards and Mexican-like ducks, in the aggregate, may be in possession.

(2) In Arizona, in Yuma County, La Paz County, Game Management Units 13B, 15, and that portion of Unit 16 lying within Mohave County, the bag and possession limits are 3 and 6 for Canada geese and 3 and 6 for light geese, respectively.

(3) In California, small Canada geese are cackling and Aleutian Canada geese.

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

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

(6) In Nevada, there is no open season on light geese in Ruby Valley within Elko and White Pine Counties, White River Valley of Nye County, and Pahranagat Valley of Lincoln County.

(7) In New Mexico, the daily bag limit for ducks and mergansers may include no more than 5 mergansers (only 1 of which may be a hooded merganser).
(8) In New Mexico, the season for dark geese is closed in Bernalillo and Sandual Counties. In the Middle Rio Grande Valley Unit, a state permit is required.
(9) In Oregon, the Northwest Special Permit Zone is closed to all goose hunting, except for designated areas. See State regulations for specific boundary descriptions, times, days, and other conditions of the special permit season.
(10) In Oregon, those portions of Coos and Curry Counties south of Bandon and west of US 101 are closed to all Canada goose hunting.
(11) In Utah, the shooting hours are 8:00 a.m. to sunset on October 6 in Cache, Salt Lake, Davis, Weber, and Box Elder Counties, and November 3 statewide.
(12) In Utah, the season in Washington County is for Canada geese only.
(13) In Washington, the daily bag limit in the West Zone may include no more than 4 scoters and 4 oldsquaws, with the possession limit twice the daily bag limit. The daily bag and possession limit for harlequins is 1.
(14) In Washington, daily bag and possession limits may include no more than 3 and 6 light geese, respectively.
(15) In Washington, see State regulations for specific dates and conditions of permit hunts and closures for Canada geese.
(16) In Washington, in State Goose Area 4, hunting is only on Saturdays, Sundays, Wednesdays, and certain holidays. In State Goose Areas1, 3, and 5, hunting is everyday. See State regulations for details, including shooting hours.
(17) In Washington, brant may be hunted in Skagit and Pacific Counties only; see State regulations for specific dates.

(f) Youth Waterfowl Hunting Day

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

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

NOTE: The following seasons are in addition to the seasons published previously in the August 28, 2003, Federal Register (68 FR 51832). Bag and possession limits will conform to those set for the regular season.

	Season Dates
ATLANTIC FLYWAY	
Connecticut	
Ducks (except Pintails), mergansers, coots, and geese	Nov. 8
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Florida	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and geese (9)	Jan. 31 & Feb. 1
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Maryland	
Ducks, coots, mergansers, Canada geese, and brant	Oct. 11
Massachusetts	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, and geese	Oct. 11 & 13
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	Season Dates
New York	
Ducks, coots, mergansers, and Canada geese:	
Long Island Zone	Nov. 8 & 9
Lake Champlain Zone	Sept. 27 & 28
Northeastern Zone	Sept. 20 & 21
Southeastern Zone	Sept. 27 & 28
Western Zone	Oct. 4 & 5
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North Carolina	
Ducks, mergansers, Canada geese (10), and coots	Jan. 31
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South Carolina	
Ducks and geese	Jan. 31 & Feb. 1
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Virginia	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, gallinules, and Canada geese (11)	Oct. 18
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MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY	
* * * * *	
Arkansas	
Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Jan. 31 & Feb. 1
Illinois	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, and geese:	
North Zone	Oct. 11 & 12
Central Zone	Oct. 18 &19
South Zone	Nov. 8 & 9
Indiana	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, gallinules, and geese:	
North Zone	Oct. 4 & 5
South Zone	Nov. 1 & 2
Ohio River Zone	Nov. 8 & 9
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Louisiana	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, gallinules, and geese:	
West Zone	Nov. 1 & 2
East Zone	Nov. 8 & 9
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Mississippi	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, gallinules, and geese	Jan. 31 & Feb. 1
Missouri	
Ducks, coots, and geese:	
North Zone	Oct. 18 & 19
Middle Zone	Oct. 25 & 26
South Zone	Nov. 15 & 16

	Season Dates
Ohio	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, gallinules, and geese	Oct. 11 & 12
Tennessee	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Jan. 31 & Feb. 1
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CENTRAL FLYWAY	
* * * * *	
Kansas (5)	
Ducks, dark geese, mergansers and coots:	
High Plains	Oct. 4 & 5
Low Plains	
Early Zone	Oct. 4 & 5
Late Zone	Oct. 11 & 12
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Oklahoma	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, and geese:	
High Plains	Oct. 4 & 5
Low Plains:	
Zone 1	Oct. 18 & 19
Zone 2	Nov. 1 & 2
* * * * *	
Texas	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
High Plains	Oct. 18 & 19
Low Plains:	
North Zone	Oct. 25 & 26
South Zone	Oct. 18 & 19
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PACIFIC FLYWAY	
Arizona	
Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	
North Zone	Oct. 11
South Zone	Jan. 31
California	
Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	
Northeastern Zone	Sept. 27 &28
Colorado River Zone	Jan. 31
Southern Zone	Jan. 31 & Feb. 1
Southern San Joaquin Valley	Jan. 31 & Feb. 1
Balance-of-State Zone	Jan. 31 & Feb. 1
Colorado	
Ducks, dark and light geese, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 27 & 28

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	Season Dates
Nevada	
Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	
Lincoln and Clark Counties	Jan. 31
Rest of State	Sept. 27

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

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(9) In Florida, the Canada goose season is only open in the Florida waters of Lake Seminole in Jackson County that are south of SR 2, north of Jim Woodruff Dam, and east of SR271. The light goose season is only open north and west of the Suwannee River.

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

(11) In Virginia, the daily bag limit for Canada geese is 1.

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

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

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

Shooting and Hawking hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset, except as otherwise restricted by State regulations. Area descriptions were published in the August 27, 2003, Federal Register (68 FR 51658).

Note: The following seasons are in addition to the seasons published previously in the August 28, 2003, Federal Register (68 FR 51832).

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
CENTRAL FLYWAY			
* * * * *			
Oklahoma (1)	Oct. 25-Jan. 25	3	6
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Texas (1):			
Zone A	Nov. 1-Feb. 1	3	6
Zone B	Nov. 22-Feb. 1	3	6
Zone C	Dec. 20-Jan. 18	2	4

(1) Each hunter participating in a regular sandhill crane hunting season must obtain and carry in his possession while hunting sandhill cranes a valid Federal sandhill crane hunting permit available without cost from conservation agencies in the States where crane hunting seasons are allowed. The permit must be displayed to any authorized law enforcement official upon request.

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6. Section 20.107 is revised to read as follows:

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

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

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

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

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
ATLANTIC FLYWAY			
North Carolina	Nov. 1-Jan. 31	1 tundra swan per season	
Virginia	Dec. 1-Jan 31	1 tundra swan per season	
CENTRAL FLYWAY (1)			
Montana	Oct. 4-Jan. 8	1 tundra swan per season	
North Dakota	Oct. 4-Dec. 14	1 tundra swan per season	
South Dakota	Oct. 4-Dec. 21	1 tundra swan per permit	
PACIFIC FLYWAY (1)(2)			
Montana (3)	Oct. 18-Dec. 1	1 swan per season	
Nevada (4)(5)	Oct. 18-Jan. 4	1 swan per season	
Utah (3)(5)	Oct. 4-Dec. 14	1 swan per season	

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

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

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

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

Hawking hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset except as otherwise restricted by State regulations.

Area descriptions were published in the August 27 (68 FR 51658) and the September Federal Registers.

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

NOTE: The following seasons are in addition to the seasons published previously in the August 28, 2003, Federal Register (68 FR 51832).

	Extended Falconry Dates
ATLANTIC FLYWAY	
Delaware	
* * * * *	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, and brant	Jan. 27-Mar. 10
Florida	
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Ducks, mergansers, light geese, and coots (6)	Oct. 30-Nov. 12 & Feb. 2-Feb. 27
Georgia	
Ducks, mergansers, gallinules, coots, and sea ducks	Nov. 15-Nov. 21 & Dec. 1-Dec. 5 & Jan. 26-Feb. 15
Maine	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots (4):	
North Zone	Dec. 10-Jan. 31
South Zone	Jan. 7-Feb. 28
Maryland	
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Ducks	Oct. 1-Oct. 4 & Jan. 31-Mar. 10
Brant	Jan. 28-Mar. 10
Massachusetts	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
Western Zone	Oct. 6-Oct. 13 & Dec. 23-Jan. 20
Central Zone	Oct. 6-Oct. 14 & Dec. 1-Dec. 18 & Jan. 11-Jan. 20
Coastal Zone	Oct. 6-Oct. 14 & Oct. 27-Nov. 20 & Jan. 19-Jan. 20
New Hampshire	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
Inland Zone	Nov. 10-Nov. 25 & Dec. 22-Jan. 21
Coastal Zone	Jan. 24-Mar. 10

	Extended Falconry Dates
New Jersey	
Woodcock:	
North Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 15 & Nov. 9-Jan. 15
South Zone	Oct. 1-Nov. 7 & Nov. 30-Dec. 25 & Dec. 28-Jan. 15
Ducks:	
North Zone	Nov. 8-Nov. 14 & Jan. 2-Jan. 31
South Zone	Dec. 11-Dec. 13 & Jan. 11-Feb. 14
Coastal Zone	Nov. 21-Nov. 22 & Jan. 25-Feb. 28
New York	
Ducks, mergansers and coots:	
Long Island Zone	Nov. 1-Nov. 20 & Dec. 1-Dec. 6 & Jan. 26-Jan. 31
Northeastern Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 3 & Nov. 16-Nov. 26 & Dec. 14-Dec. 31
Southeastern Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 10 & Oct. 20-Nov. 7 & Dec. 29-Dec. 31
Western Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 17 & Dec. 3-Dec. 26
Pennsylvania	
Mourning doves	Oct. 6-Oct. 31 & Dec. 1-Dec.16
Ducks:	
North Zone	Oct. 27-Nov. 14 & Jan. 9-Jan. 19 & Feb. 16-Mar. 10
South Zone	Oct. 20-Nov. 14 & Feb. 12-Mar. 10
Northwest Zone	Oct. 27-Oct. 31 & Dec. 26-Jan. 19 & Feb. 16-Mar. 10
Lake Erie Zone	Jan. 16-Mar. 10
Canada Geese:	
SJBP Zone	Feb. 26-Mar. 10
Pymatuning Zone	Dec. 26-Mar. 10
AP Zone	Mar. 3-Mar. 10
RP Zone	Feb. 26-Mar. 10
South Carolina	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Oct. 22-Nov. 25 & Dec. 1-Dec. 11

	Extended Falconry Dates
Virginia	
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Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Dec. 8-Dec. 12 & Jan. 26-Feb. 28
Canada Geese	Dec. 2-Dec. 12 & Jan. 26-Feb. 21
Brant	Nov. 7-Nov. 14 & Dec. 8-Dec. 12 & Jan. 26-Mar. 10
MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY	
Arkansas	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Dec. 8-Dec. 11 & Dec. 25 & Jan. 26-Feb. 18
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Illinois	
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Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Feb. 11-Mar. 10
Indiana	
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Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
North Zone	Sept. 27-Oct. 3 & Feb. 17-Mar. 9
South Zone	Oct. 5-Oct. 12 & Feb. 18-Mar. 9
Ohio River Zone	Oct. 5-Oct. 12 & Feb. 18-Mar. 9
Iowa	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Dec. 15-Jan. 28
Canada Geese and Brant:	
North Zone	Dec. 6-Dec. 27
South Zone	Oct. 20-Nov. 7 & Dec. 25-Dec. 27
White-fronted Geese	
North Zone	Dec. 22-Dec. 27
South Zone	Dec. 25-Dec. 27
Kentucky	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Nov. 5-Nov. 26 & Jan. 26-Feb. 1
Canada Geese:	
Western Goose Zone	
Fulton County	Nov. 8-Dec. 5
Rest of Zone	Nov. 5-Dec. 5
Pennyroyal/Coalfield Zone	Nov. 5-Dec. 12
Rest of State	Nov. 5-Dec. 12
White-fronted geese, brant, and light geese	Nov. 5-Nov. 26

	Extended Falconry Dates
Michigan	
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Ducks, mergansers, coots, and moorhens:	
North Zone	Nov. 26-Jan. 9
Middle Zone	Dec. 1-Jan. 2 & Jan. 5-Jan. 10
South Zone	Dec. 8-Jan. 2 & Jan. 5-Jan. 10 & Mar. 1-Mar. 8
Minnesota	
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Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Nov. 26-Jan. 10
Mississippi	
Mourning Doves	Nov. 29-Dec. 21 & Jan. 17-Feb. 9
Ducks, mergansers and coots	Feb. 11-Mar. 10
Missouri	
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Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
North Zone	Sept. 6-Sept. 21 & Sept. 24-Oct. 24
Middle Zone	Sept. 6-Sept. 21 & Oct. 1-Oct. 31
South Zone	Sept. 6-Sept. 21 & Oct. 22-Nov. 21
Ohio	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 1-Sept. 16 & Oct. 11-Oct. 12 & Jan. 19-Feb. 16
Tennessee	
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Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 18-Oct. 27
Wisconsin	
Rails, snipe, moorhens, and gallinules	
North Duck Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 26 & Nov. 26-Dec. 16
South Duck Zone	Sept. 1-Oct. 3 & Oct. 13-Oct. 17 & Dec. 8-Dec. 16
Woodcock	Sept. 1-Sept. 19 & Nov. 4-Dec. 16
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 20-Sept. 21 & Jan. 26-Mar. 10

	Extended Falconry Dates
CENTRAL FLYWAY	
Kansas	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
Low Plains:	
Early Zone and Late Zone	Feb. 22-Mar. 7
Montana (2)	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
Zones 1 and 2	Sept. 24-Sept. 30
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Oklahoma	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
Low Plains:	
Zone 1	Dec. 8-Dec. 12 & Jan. 12-Jan. 21
Zone 2	Dec. 8-Dec. 12 & Jan. 26-Feb. 4
South Dakota	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
Low Plains:	
North Zone	Sept. 4-Sept. 19 & Sept. 22-Sept.26 & Dec. 10-Dec. 19
Middle Zone	Sept. 4-Sept. 19 & Sept. 22-Sept. 26 & Dec. 10-Dec. 19
South Zone	Sept. 4-Sept. 19 & Sept. 22-Oct. 6
High Plains	Sept. 4-Sept. 11
Texas	
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Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
Low Plains North Zone	Jan. 26-Feb. 9
Low Plains South Zone	Jan. 19-Feb. 2
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PACIFIC FLYWAY	
Arizona	
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Ducks and mergansers:	
North Zone	Oct. 12-Oct. 16
South Zone	Jan. 30-Feb. 3
California	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
Northeastern Zone	Dec. 10-Dec. 11
Colorado River Zone	Jan. 26-Jan. 30

	Extended Falconry Dates
California (cont.)	
Southern Zone	Jan. 26-Jan. 30
Balance-of-State Zone and So. San Joaquin Zone	Nov. 20 & Jan. 26-Jan. 30
Canada Geese:	
Northeastern Zone	Jan. 19-Jan. 23
Southern Zone	Jan. 26-Jan. 30
Balance-of-State Zone (5)	Oct. 18-Oct. 31 & Jan 26-Jan. 30
Southern San Joaquin Zone	Oct. 18-Oct. 31 & Jan. 26-Jan. 30
White-fronted Geese:	
Northeastern Zone	Jan. 19-Jan. 23
Southern Zone	Jan. 26-Jan. 30
Balance-of-State Zone and So. San Joaquin Zone	Oct. 18-Oct. 31 & Jan. 26-Jan. 30
Brant	
Northeastern Zone	Oct. 11-Nov. 9 & Dec. 10-Jan 23
Southern Zone	Oct. 18-Nov. 9 & Dec. 10-Jan. 30
Balance-of-State Zone and So. San Joaquin Zone	Oct. 18-Nov. 9 & Dec. 10-Jan. 30
Light Geese:	
Northeastern Zone	Jan. 19-Jan. 23
Southern Zone	Jan. 26-Jan. 30
Balance-of-State Zone	Oct. 18-Oct. 31 & Jan. 26-Jan. 30
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New Mexico	
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Rails	Nov. 29-Jan. 4
Dark Geese:	
North Zone	Oct. 27-Nov. 2
South Zone	Oct. 11-Oct. 17
Light Geese:	
North Zone	Oct. 27-Nov. 2
South Zone	Oct. 11-Oct. 17
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(2) In Montana, the bag limit is 2 and the possession limit is 6.

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(4) In Maine, the daily bag and possession limits for black ducks are 1 and 2, respectively.

(5) In California, the falconry season for Canada geese is closed in the Del Norte and Humbolt Area, the Sacramento Valley Area, and in the San Joaquin Valley Area.

(6) In Florida, light geese may only be taken north and west of the Suwannee River.

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