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**50 CFR Part 20**

**Migratory Bird Hunting: Late Seasons and  
Bag and Possession Limits for Certain  
Migratory Game Birds; Final Rule**

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

RIN 1018-AT76

**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 2005–06 season.

**DATES:** This rule is effective on September 24, 2005.

**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 2005**

On April 6, 2005, we published in the **Federal Register** (70 FR 17574) 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 2005–06 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 24, 2005, we published in the **Federal Register** (70 FR 36794) a second document providing supplemental proposals for early- and late-season migratory bird hunting regulations frameworks and the regulatory alternatives for the 2005–06 duck hunting season. The June 24 supplement also provided detailed information on the 2005–06 regulatory schedule and announced the Service Migratory Bird Regulations Committee (SRC) and Flyway Council meetings.

On June 22 and 23, 2005, 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 2005–06 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 2005–06 regular waterfowl seasons.

On August 1, 2005, we published in the **Federal Register** (70 FR 44200) a third document specifically dealing with the proposed frameworks for early-season regulations. In the August 30, 2004, **Federal Register** (70 FR 51522), 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 2005–06 early-season hunting dates, hours, areas, and limits. Subsequently, on August 31, 2005, we published a final rule in the **Federal Register** (70 FR 51946) amending subpart K of title 50 CFR part 20 to set hunting seasons, hours, areas, and limits for early seasons.

On July 27–28, 2005, we held open meetings with the Flyway Council Consultants, at which the participants reviewed the status of waterfowl and developed recommendations for the 2005–06 regulations for these species. On August 22, 2005, we published in the **Federal Register** (70 FR 49068) the proposed frameworks for the 2005–06 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 2005–06, in a September XX, 2005, **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 2005–06 and deals specifically with amending subpart K of 50 CFR part 20. It sets hunting seasons, hours, areas, and limits for species subject to late-season regulations and those for early seasons that States previously deferred.

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

NEPA considerations are covered by the programmatic document, “Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement: Issuance of Annual Regulations Permitting the Sport Hunting of Migratory Birds (FSES 88–14),” filed with the Environmental

Protection Agency on June 9, 1988. We published 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).

In addition, 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. Our notice beginning the public scoping process was published in the September 8, 2005, **Federal Register** (70 FR 53376).

**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 by contacting one of the people listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

**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, updated in 1998, and updated again in 2004. It is further discussed below under the heading Regulatory Flexibility Act. Results from the 2004 analysis indicate that the expected welfare benefit of the annual migratory bird hunting frameworks is on the order of \$734 to

\$1.064 billion, with a midpoint estimate of \$899 million. Copies of the cost/benefit analysis are available upon request by contacting one of the people listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** or from our Web site at <http://www.migratorybirds.gov>.

#### **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, 1998, and 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 2004 Analysis was based on the 2001 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 \$481 million and \$1.2 billion at small businesses in 2004. Copies of the Analysis are available upon request by contacting one of the people listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** or from our Web site at <http://www.migratorybirds.gov>.

#### **Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act**

This rule is a major rule under 5 U.S.C. 804(2), the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act. For the reasons outlined above, this rule has an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more. However, because this rule establishes hunting seasons, we do not plan to defer the effective date required by 5 U.S.C. 801 under the exemption contained in 5 U.S.C. 808(1).

#### **Paperwork Reduction Act**

We examined these regulations under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). The various recordkeeping and reporting requirements imposed under regulations established in 50 CFR part 20, subpart K, are utilized in the formulation of migratory game bird hunting regulations. Specifically, OMB has approved the information collection requirements of the surveys associated with the Migratory Bird Harvest Information Program and assigned

clearance number 1018–0015 (expires 2/29/2008). 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 impose a cost of \$100 million or more in any given year on local or State government or private entities. Therefore, this rule is not a “significant regulatory action” under the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

#### **Civil Justice Reform—Executive Order 12988**

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

#### **Takings Implication Assessment**

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

#### **Energy Effects—Executive Order 13211**

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. Therefore, this action is not a significant energy action and no Statement of Energy Effects is required.

#### **Government-to-Government Relationship With Tribes**

In accordance with the President's memorandum of April 29, 1994, “Government-to-Government Relations with Native American Tribal Governments” (59 FR 22951), Executive Order 13175, and 512 DM 2, we have evaluated possible effects on federally recognized Indian tribes and have determined that there are no effects.

#### **Federalism Effects**

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

#### **Regulations Promulgation**

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

to establish and publicize the necessary regulations and procedures to implement their decisions. We, therefore, find that "good cause" exists, within the terms of 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3) of the Administrative Procedure Act, and these 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 14, 2005.

**Craig Manson,**

*Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks.*

■ For the reasons set out in the preamble, title 50, chapter I, subchapter

B, part 20, subpart K of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended as follows:

**PART 20—[AMENDED]**

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

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

**BILLING CODE 4310–55–P**

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

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

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

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

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

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

Area descriptions were published in the August 30, 2005, (70 FR 51522) and the September 22, 2005, Federal Registers.

**NOTE:** The following seasons are in addition to the seasons published previously in the August 31, 2005, Federal Register (70 FR 51946).

	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**

		* * * * *		
<u>Maine</u>	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 1-Oct. 29 & Oct. 31	Sept. 1-Dec. 16
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<u>Massachusetts</u> (4)	Sept. 1-Nov. 8	Closed	Oct. 13-Oct. 29 & Oct. 31-Nov. 12	Sept. 1-Dec. 15
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<u>Vermont</u>	Closed	Closed	Oct. 6-Nov. 4	Oct. 5-Dec. 18
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**MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY**

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	Sora & Virginia Rails	Clapper & King Rails	Woodcock	Common Snipe
<u>Louisiana</u>	Sept. 17-Sept. 25 & Nov. 12-Jan. 11	Sept. 17-Sept. 25 & Nov. 12-Jan. 11	Dec. 18-Jan. 31	Nov. 5-Dec. 7 Dec. 17-Feb. 28
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<u>Tennessee</u>				
Reelfoot Zone	Nov. 12-Nov. 13 & Dec. 3-Jan. 20	Closed	Oct. 29-Dec. 12	Nov. 15-Feb. 28
State Zone	Nov. 26-Nov. 27 & Dec. 3-Jan. 20	Closed	Oct. 29-Dec. 12	Nov. 15-Feb. 28
<u>Wisconsin</u>				
North Zone	Sept. 24-Nov. 22	Closed	Sept. 24-Nov. 7	Sept. 24-Nov. 22
South Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 9 & Oct. 15-Dec. 4	Closed	Sept. 24-Nov. 7	Oct. 1-Oct. 9 & Oct. 15-Dec. 4
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<u>PACIFIC FLYWAY</u>				
<u>Arizona (16)</u>				
North Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 7-Jan. 15
South Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 21-Jan. 29
		* * * * *		
<u>Idaho</u>				
Zone 1 & 2	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 8-Jan. 20
Zones 3	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 15-Jan. 27
		* * * * *		
<u>Nevada</u>				
Lincoln and Clark Counties	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 8- Jan. 20
Rest of State	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 8-Jan. 21
		* * * * *		
<u>Oregon</u>				
Zone 1	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 15-Oct. 30 & Nov. 2-Jan. 29

	Sora & Virginia Rails	Clapper & King Rails	Woodcock	Common Snipe
<u>Oregon (cont.)</u>				
Zone 2	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 8-Dec. 6 & Dec. 9-Jan. 22
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<u>Washington</u>				
East Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 15-Oct. 19 & Oct. 22-Jan. 29
West Zone	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 15-Oct. 19 & Oct. 22-Jan. 29
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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 Arizona, Ashurst Lake in Unit 5B is closed to common snipe hunting.

3. 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 30, 2005, (70 FR 51522) and the September 22, 2005, Federal Registers.

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

**NOTE:** The following seasons are in addition to the seasons published previously in the August 31, 2005, Federal Register (70 FR 51946). The zones named in this paragraph are the same as those used for setting duck seasons.

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>ATLANTIC FLYWAY</u>			
	* * * * *		
<u>Georgia</u>	Nov. 19-Nov. 27 & Dec. 10-Jan. 20	15	30
	* * * * *		
<u>Virginia</u>	Oct. 6-Oct. 10 & Nov. 19-Dec. 3 & Dec. 10-Jan. 20	15 15 15	30 30 30
<u>West Virginia</u>			
Zone 1	Oct. 1-Oct. 15 & Dec. 8-Jan. 21	15 15	30 30
Zone 2	Oct. 1-Oct. 15 & Nov. 24-Jan. 7	15 15	30 30
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<u>MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY</u>			
	* * * * *		
<u>Louisiana</u>	Sept. 17-Sept. 25 & Nov. 12-Jan. 11	15 15	30 30
<u>Michigan</u>			
North Zone	Oct. 1-Nov. 29	15	30
Middle Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 9 & Oct. 22-Dec. 11	15 15	30 30
South Zone	Oct. 15-Dec. 11 & Dec. 31-Jan. 1	15 15	30 30
<u>Minnesota (3)</u>	Oct. 1-Nov. 29	15	30
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	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Tennessee</u>			
Reelfoot Zone	Nov. 12-Nov. 13 &	15	30
	Dec. 3-Jan. 22	15	30
State Zone	Nov. 26-Nov. 27 &	15	30
	Dec. 3-Jan. 22	15	30
<u>Wisconsin</u>			
North Zone	Sept. 24-Nov. 22	10	20
South Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 9 & Oct. 15-Dec. 4	10	20
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PACIFIC FLYWAY

All States Seasons are in aggregate with coots and listed in paragraph (e).

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

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

NOTE: The following seasons are in addition to the seasons published previously in the August 31, 2005, Federal Register (70 FR 51946).

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	Possession
<u>Georgia</u>			
	Nov. 19-Nov. 27 &	7	14
	Dec. 10-Jan. 29	7	14
	* * * * *		
<u>Maine</u> (3)	Oct. 1-Jan. 31	7	14
<u>Maryland</u>	Oct. 1-Jan. 28	5	10
<u>Massachusetts</u> (4)	Oct. 6-Jan. 21	7	14

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
	* * * * *		
<u>North Carolina</u>	Oct. 5-Jan. 28	7	14
	* * * * *		
<u>South Carolina</u>	Oct. 15-Jan. 29	7	14
<u>Virginia</u>	Oct. 6-Jan. 28	7	14

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

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- (3) In Maine, the daily bag limit for eiders is 5, possession 10.
- (4) In Massachusetts, the daily bag limit may include no more than 4 eiders (only 1 of which may be a hen) and 4 long-tailed ducks.

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

**Definitions**

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

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

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

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

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

**Dark Geese:** Includes Canada geese, white-fronted geese, emperor geese, brant (except in California, Oregon, and 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), 2 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 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.

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Connecticut</u>			
Ducks and Mergansers:		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 5-Jan. 7		
Other ducks	Oct. 12-Oct. 22 & Nov. 11-Jan. 7		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 19-Jan. 21		
Other ducks	Oct. 12-Oct. 19 & Nov. 22-Jan. 21		
Coots	Same as for ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
NAP Zone:			
L-Unit	Oct. 1-Oct. 31 & Nov. 25-Jan. 14	3 3	6 6
H-Unit			
North Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 19 & Nov. 25-Jan. 14	2 2	4 4
South Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 19 & Nov. 25-Jan. 14	2 2	4 4
(special season)	Jan. 16-Feb. 15	5	10
AP Unit	Oct. 29-Nov. 5 & Nov. 19-Jan. 2	3 3	6 6
Light Geese:			
North Zone	Oct. 8-Feb. 4	15	--
South Zone	Oct. 8-Feb. 4	15	--
Brant:			
North Zone	Dec. 5-Jan. 7	2	4
South Zone	Dec. 19-Jan. 21	2	4

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Delaware</u>			
Ducks :		6	12
Canvasbacks	Dec. 19-Jan. 21		
Other ducks	Oct. 24-Nov. 5 & Nov. 21-Dec. 3 & Dec. 12-Jan. 21		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese	Nov. 21-Dec. 3 & Dec. 15-Jan. 21	2 2	4 4
Light Geese:			
Bombay Hook NWR Zone (1)	Oct. 10-Jan. 20 & Feb. 6-Mar. 8	15 15	-- --
Rest of State (2)	Oct. 10-Nov. 8 & Nov. 21-Jan. 21 & Jan. 23-Mar. 10	15 15 15	-- -- --
Brant	Dec. 28-Jan. 31	2	4
<u>Florida</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
Canvasbacks	Nov. 19-Nov. 27 & Dec. 10-Dec. 30		
Other ducks	Nov. 19-Nov. 27 & Dec. 10-Jan. 29		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese (3)	Nov. 19-Nov. 27 & Dec. 1-Jan. 30	5 5	10 10
Light Geese (4)	Nov. 19-Nov. 27 & Dec. 10-Jan. 29	15 15	-- --
<u>Georgia</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
Canvasbacks	Dec. 31-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Nov. 19-Nov. 27 & Dec. 10-Jan. 29		
Mergansers	Same as Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese (special season)	Same as Other ducks	5	10
Light Geese	Same as Other ducks	5	10
Brant	Closed	--	--
<u>Maine</u>			
Ducks (5):		4	8
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 3-Oct. 29		
Other ducks	Oct. 3-Dec. 10		

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Maine (cont.)</u>			
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 3-Oct. 29		
Other ducks	Oct. 3-Oct. 29 & Nov. 14-Dec. 24		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Canada Geese:			
North Zone	Oct. 3-Dec. 10	2	4
South Zone	Oct. 3-Oct. 29 & Nov. 14-Dec. 24	2	4
Light Geese	Oct. 3-Jan. 31	15	--
Brant	Oct. 3-Oct. 29	2	4
<u>Maryland</u>			
Ducks and Mergansers (6):		5	10
Canvasbacks	Dec. 26-Jan. 28		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Oct. 15 & Nov. 12-Nov. 25 & Dec. 13-Jan. 28		
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
RP Zone	Nov. 15-Nov. 25 & Dec. 8-Feb. 15	5	10
AP Zone	Nov. 17-Nov. 25 & Dec. 17-Jan. 28	2	4
Light Geese (7)	Oct. 15-Nov. 25 & Nov. 28-Jan. 31 & Feb. 1-Feb. 25	15	--
Brant	Dec. 26-Jan. 28	2	4
<u>Massachusetts</u>			
Ducks (8):		6	12
Western Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 11-Nov. 14		
Other ducks	Oct. 11-Nov. 26 & Dec. 3- Dec. 24		
Central Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 12-Nov. 15		
Other ducks	Oct. 12-Nov. 26 & Dec. 16-Jan. 7		
Coastal Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 19-Jan. 21		
Other ducks	Oct. 13-Oct. 22 & Nov. 24-Jan. 21		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Massachusetts (cont.)</u>			
Canada Geese:			
NAP Zone			
Central Zone:	Oct. 12-Nov. 26 & Dec. 16-Jan. 7	2 2	4 4
(special season)	Jan. 16-Feb. 15	2	4
Coastal Zone:	Oct. 13-Oct. 22 & Nov. 24-Jan. 21	2 2	4 4
(special season)	Jan. 23-Feb. 15	5	10
AP Zone	Oct. 22-Nov. 26 & Dec. 9-Dec. 24	3 3	6 6
Light Geese:			
Western Zone	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Central Zone	Same as for Other ducks & Jan. 16-Feb. 15	15 15	30 30
Coastal Zone	Same as for Other ducks & Jan. 23-Feb. 15	15 15	30 30
Brant:			
Western & Central Zone	Closed	--	--
Coastal Zone	Dec. 19-Jan. 21	2	4
<u>New Hampshire</u>			
Ducks :		6	12
Inland Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 23-Dec. 11		
Other ducks	Oct. 4-Nov. 13 & Nov. 23-Dec. 11		
Coastal Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 23-Dec. 22		
Other ducks	Oct. 5-Oct. 16 & Nov. 23-Jan. 9		
Mergansers	Same as Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
Inland Zone	Oct. 4-Nov. 13 & Nov. 23-Dec. 11	2 2	4 4
Coastal Zone	Oct. 5-Oct. 16 & Nov. 23-Jan. 9	2 2	4 4
Light Geese:			
Inland Zone	Oct. 4-Dec. 11	15	--
Coastal Zone	Oct. 5-Jan. 9	15	--
Brant:			
Inland Zone	Oct. 4-Nov. 2	2	4
Coastal Zone	Oct. 5-Oct. 16 & Nov. 23-Dec. 10	2 2	4 4

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>New Jersey</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 28-Dec. 31		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Oct. 29 & Nov. 15-Dec. 31		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 5-Jan. 7		
Other ducks	Oct. 15-Oct. 29 & Nov. 15-Jan. 7		
Coastal Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 21-Jan. 24		
Other ducks	Nov. 5-Nov. 12 & Nov. 24-Jan. 24		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada and Whitefronted Geese:			
North Zone	Nov. 12-Nov. 26 & Dec. 16-Jan. 21	3 3	6 6
South Zone	Nov. 19-Dec. 3 & Dec. 16-Jan. 21	3 3	6 6
Coastal Zone	Nov. 24-Dec. 3 & Dec. 12-Jan. 21	3 3	6 6
(special season)	Jan. 23-Feb. 15	5	10
Light Geese:			
North Zone	Nov. 8-Mar. 10	15	--
South Zone	Nov. 7-Mar. 10	15	--
Coastal Zone	Oct. 8-Feb. 9	15	--
Brant:			
North Zone	Oct. 22-Oct. 29 & Nov. 15-Dec. 10	2 2	4 4
South Zone	Oct. 22-Oct. 29 & Nov. 15-Dec. 10	2 2	4 4
Coastal Zone	Nov. 5-Nov. 12 & Dec. 21-Jan. 16	2 2	4 4
<u>New York</u>			
Ducks and Mergansers:		6	12
Long Island Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 31-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Nov. 23-Nov. 27 & Dec. 6-Jan. 29		
Lake Champlain Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 1-Nov. 30		
Other ducks	Oct. 5-Oct. 10 & Oct. 26-Dec. 18		

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>New York (cont.)</u>			
Northeastern Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 7-Nov. 10 & Nov. 19-Dec. 14		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Nov. 10 & Nov. 19-Dec. 14		
Southeastern Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 3-Jan. 1		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Oct. 16 & Nov. 12-Jan. 1		
Western Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 21-Dec. 6 & Dec. 26-Jan. 8		
Other ducks	Oct. 22-Dec. 6 & Dec. 26-Jan. 8		
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
Western Long Island (NAP)	Nov. 23-Jan. 31	3	6
Eastern Long Island (NAP)	Nov. 23-Nov. 27 & Dec. 6-Jan. 29	2 2	4 4
Lake Champlain (AP) Zone (9)	Oct. 22-Dec. 5	3	6
North Central (AP) Zone	Oct. 22-Dec. 5	3	6
Hudson Valley (AP) Zone	Oct. 29-Nov. 18 & Dec. 3-Dec. 26	3 3	6 6
West Central (AP) Zone	Oct. 22-Nov. 18 & Dec. 26-Jan. 11	3 3	6 6
South (RP)	Oct. 22-Dec. 10 & Dec. 26-Jan. 14	5 5	10 10
(Special season)	Feb. 3-Feb. 12	5	10
Light Geese:			
Long Island Zone	Nov. 23-Mar. 9	15	--
Lake Champlain Zone (9)	Oct. 5-Dec. 18 &	15	--
Northeastern Zone	Oct. 8-Jan. 7 & Feb. 24-Mar. 10	15 15	-- --
Southeastern Zone	Oct. 8-Jan. 7 & Feb. 24-Mar. 10	15 15	-- --
Western Zone	Oct. 22-Jan. 21 & Feb. 24-Mar. 10	15 15	-- --
Brant:			
Long Island Zone	Nov. 23-Nov. 27 & Jan. 5-Jan 29	2 2	4 4
Lake Champlain Zone	Oct. 5-Oct. 10 & Oct. 26-Nov. 18	2 2	4 4
Northeastern Zone	Oct. 8-Nov. 6	2	4
Southeastern Zone	Oct. 8-Nov. 6	2	4
Western Zone	Oct. 15-Nov. 13	2	4



	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>North Carolina</u>			
Ducks (10):		6	12
Canvasbacks	Dec. 26-Jan. 28		
Other ducks	Oct. 5-Oct. 8 & Nov. 12-Dec. 3 & Dec. 17-Jan. 28		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
Resident Population Hunt Zone			
	Oct. 5-Oct. 8 &	5	10
	Nov. 12-Dec. 3 &	5	10
	Dec. 17-Jan. 28	5	10
Southern James Bay Hunt Zone			
	Oct. 5-Oct. 15 &	2	4
	Nov. 12-Dec. 31	2	4
Northeast Hunt Zone			
	Jan. 14-31	1 per season	
Light Geese			
	Oct. 19-Oct. 29 &	15	--
	Nov. 12-Mar. 4	15	--
Brant			
	Dec. 26-Jan. 28	2	4
<u>Pennsylvania</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 28-Dec. 31		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Oct. 22 & Nov. 8-Dec. 31		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 21-Dec. 24		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Oct. 15 & Nov. 15-Jan. 14		
Northwest Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 12-Nov. 26 & Dec. 12-Dec. 30		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Nov. 26 & Dec. 12-Dec. 30		
Lake Erie Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 7-Jan. 10		
Other ducks	Oct. 31-Nov. 26 & Nov. 30-Jan. 10		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
Eastern (AP) Zone			
	Nov. 15-Nov. 26 &	3	6
	Dec. 14-Jan. 21	3	6
SJBZ Zone			
	Nov. 12-Dec. 31	2	4
(special season)	Jan. 16-Feb. 15	5	10
Pymatuning Zone			
	Nov. 5-Nov. 26 &	1	2
	Dec. 12-Dec. 29	1	2

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Pennsylvania (cont.)</u>			
Resident (RP) Zone	Nov. 15-Nov. 26 & Dec. 9-Feb. 15	5	10
Light Geese	Nov. 7-Mar. 10	15	--
Brant	Oct. 15-Nov. 18	2	4
<u>Rhode Island</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
Canvasbacks	Dec. 24-Jan. 22		
Other ducks	Oct. 7-Oct. 10 & Nov. 23-Nov. 27 & Dec. 3-Jan. 22		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese	Nov. 19-Nov. 27 & Dec. 3-Jan. 22	2	4
(special season)	Jan. 27-Feb. 12	5	10
Light Geese	Oct. 8-Jan. 22	15	--
Brant	Dec. 24-Jan. 22	2	4
<u>South Carolina</u>			
Ducks (11):		6	12
Canvasbacks	Dec. 31-Jan. 29		
Pintails	Dec. 31-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Nov. 23-Nov. 27 & Dec. 16-Jan. 29		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese (special season) (12)	Nov. 23-Nov. 27 & Dec. 16-Feb. 15	5	10
Light Geese	Same as for Other ducks	15	--
Brant	Same as for Other ducks	2	4
<u>Vermont</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
Lake Champlain Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 1-Nov. 30		
Other ducks	Oct. 5-Oct 10 & Oct. 26-Dec. 18		
Interior Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 1-Nov. 30		
Other ducks	Oct. 5-Dec. 3		
Connecticut River Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 23-Dec. 11		
Other ducks	Oct. 4-Nov. 13 & Nov. 23-Dec. 11		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Vermont (cont.)</u>			
Canada Geese			
Lake Champlain Zone (9):	Oct. 22-Dec. 5	3	6
Interior Zone (9):	Oct. 22-Dec. 5	3	6
Connecticut River Zone:	Oct. 4-Nov. 13 &	3	6
	Nov. 23-Dec. 11	3	6
Light Geese			
Lake Champlain Zone (9):	Oct. 5-Dec. 18	15	—
Interior Zone (9):	Oct. 5-Dec. 18	15	—
Connecticut River Zone:	Oct. 4-Dec. 11	15	—
Brant			
Lake Champlain Zone:	Oct. 5-Oct. 10 &	2	4
	Oct. 26-Nov. 18	2	4
Interior Zone:	Oct. 5-Nov. 3	2	4
Connecticut River Zone:	Oct. 4-Nov. 2	2	4
<u>Virginia</u>			
Ducks (13):		5	10
Canvasbacks	Dec. 26-Jan. 28		
Other ducks	Oct. 6-Oct. 10 &		
	Nov. 19-Dec. 3 &		
	Dec. 10-Jan. 28		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Canada Geese:			
Back Bay Area	Jan. 12-Jan. 28	1	2
Eastern (AP) Zone	Nov. 19-Dec. 3 &	2	4
	Dec. 23-Jan. 28	2	4
Western (SJB) Zone	Nov. 19-Dec. 3 &	2	4
	Dec. 15-Jan. 14	2	4
Western (RP) Zone	Nov. 19-Dec. 3 &	2	4
	Dec. 15-Jan. 14 &	2	4
(Special season)	Jan. 16-Feb. 15	5	10
Light Geese	Oct. 26-Dec. 3 &	15	--
	Dec. 10-Jan. 28 &	15	--
	Feb. 4-Mar. 10	15	--
Brant	Dec. 26-Jan. 28	2	4
<u>West Virginia</u>			
Ducks (14):		6	12
Zone 1:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 23-Jan. 21		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Oct. 15 &		
	Dec. 8-Jan. 21		
Zone 2:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 9-Jan. 7		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Oct. 15 &		
	Nov. 24-Jan. 7		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>West Virginia (cont.)</u>			
Canada Geese:			
Zone 1	Oct. 1-Oct. 15 &	3	6
	Dec. 8-Jan. 31	3	6
Zone 2	Oct. 1-Oct. 29 &	3	6
	Dec. 22-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			
Zone 1	Dec. 23-Jan. 21	2	4
Zone 2	Dec. 9-Jan. 7	2	4

- (1) In Delaware, the February 6 to March 8 Bombay Hook NWR snow goose season is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays only.
- (2) In Delaware, the January 23 to March 10 Rest of State snow goose season is open Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays only.
- (3) 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 CR271.
- (4) In Florida, the light goose season is only open north and west of the Suwannee River.
- (5) In Maine, 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.
- (6) In Maryland, the black duck season is closed October 8 through October 15. In addition to the daily bag limit, 1 additional teal may be taken.
- (7) In Maryland, the February 1 to February 25 snow goose season is open Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays only.
- (8) In Massachusetts, the daily bag limit may include no more than 4 of any single species in addition to the flyway-wide bag restrictions.
- (9) In New York and Vermont, shooting hours for all geese ends at noon in October in the Lake Champlain and Interior Vermont Zones.
- (10) In North Carolina, the season is closed for black ducks October 1 through November 30 and December 5 through December 17. The daily bag limit for Black and Mottled ducks are combined with no more than 1 allowed in the bag.
- (11) 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.
- (12) In South Carolina, the daily bag limit for Canada geese may include no more than 2 white-fronted geese.
- (13) In Virginia, the season is closed for black ducks October 6 through October 10.
- (14) In West Virginia, the daily bag limit may include no more than 4 long-tailed ducks and the season is closed for eiders, whistling ducks, and mottled ducks.

MISSISSIPPI FLYWAYFlyway-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, 2 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	Possession
<u>Alabama</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 31-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Nov. 25-Nov. 26 & Dec. 3-Jan. 29		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Same as North Zone		
Other ducks	Same as North Zone		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Dark Geese:			
North Zone:			
SJBZ Zone	Dec. 11-Jan. 29	2	4
Rest of North Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 12 & Dec. 3-Jan. 29	2 2	4 4
South Zone	Same as Rest of North Zone	2	4
Light Geese	Same as for Dark Geese	5	5
<u>Arkansas</u>			
Ducks (1):		6	12
Canvasbacks	Dec. 31-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Nov. 19-Dec. 4 & Dec. 16-Dec. 24 & Dec. 26-Jan. 29		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
Northwest Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 10 & Jan. 14-Feb. 5	2 2	4 4
Remainder of State	Jan. 14-Feb. 5	2	4
White-fronted	Nov. 19-Dec. 4 & Dec. 12-Feb. 5	2 2	4 4

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Arkansas (cont.)</u>			
Brant	Closed	--	--
Light Geese	Nov. 10-Dec. 9 & Dec. 12-Feb. 5	20 20	-- -
<u>Illinois</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 29-Nov. 27		
Other ducks	Oct. 15-Dec. 13		
Central Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 12-Dec. 11		
Other ducks	Oct. 29-Dec. 27		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 24-Dec. 23		
Other ducks	Nov. 24-Jan. 22		
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. 15-Jan. 8	2	10
Rest of North Zone	Oct. 15-Jan. 8	2	10
Central Zone:			
Central Illinois:			
Quota Zone (2)	Oct. 29-Nov. 6 & Nov. 16-Jan. 31	2 2	10 10
Rest of Central Zone	Same as for Central IL Quota Zone	2	10
South Zone:			
Southern Illinois:			
Quota Zone (2)(3)	Nov. 24-Nov. 27 & Dec. 10-Jan. 31	2 2	10 10
Rest of South Zone	Same as for Southern IL Quota Zone	2	10
White-fronted (4):			
North Zone	Oct. 15-Jan. 8	1	2
Central Zone	Oct. 29-Nov. 6 & Nov. 16-Jan. 31	1 1	2 2
South Zone (3)	Nov. 24-Jan. 31	2	4
Brant (3) (4)	Same as for Light Geese	1	2
Light Geese (4):			
North Zone	Oct. 15-Jan. 8	20	--
Central Zone	Oct. 29-Jan. 31	20	-
South Zone (3)	Nov. 24-Jan. 31	20	-

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Indiana</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 22-Nov. 20		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Oct. 10 & Oct. 22-Dec. 17		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 25-Dec. 24		
Other ducks	Oct. 15-Oct. 17 & Nov. 25-Jan. 20		
Ohio River Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 24-Dec. 23		
Other ducks	Oct. 29-Oct. 30 & Nov. 24-Jan. 20		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
North Zone:			
SJBZ Zone	Oct. 8-Oct. 10 & Oct. 22-Dec. 7	2 2	4 4
Rest of North Zone	Oct. 8-Oct. 10 & Oct. 22-Dec. 27	2 2	4 4
South Zone:	Oct. 15-Oct. 17 & Nov. 25-Jan. 30	2 2	4 4
Ohio River Zone:	Oct. 29-Oct. 30 & Nov. 24-Jan. 30	2 2	4 4
White-fronted and Brant	Oct. 8-Oct. 10 & Oct. 22-Jan. 12	1 1	2 2
Light Geese	Oct. 8-Oct. 10 & Oct. 22-Jan. 29	20 20	-- --
<u>Iowa</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
North Duck Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 22-Nov. 20		
Other ducks	Sept. 17-Sept. 21 & Oct. 15-Dec. 8		
South Duck Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 29-Nov. 27		
Other ducks	Sept. 24-Sept. 28 & Oct. 22-Dec. 15		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
North Goose Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 9 & Oct. 15-Dec. 4 & Dec. 24-Jan. 2	2 2 2	4 4 4

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Iowa</u> (cont.)			
South Goose Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 9 & Oct. 22-Dec. 4 & Dec. 24-Jan. 9	2 2 2	4 4 4
White-fronted:			
North Goose Zone	Oct. 1-Dec. 11	2	4
South Goose Zone	Oct. 1-Dec. 11	2	4
Brant:			
North Goose Zone	Same as for Canada geese	2	4
South Goose Zone	Same as for Canada geese	2	4
Light Geese	Oct. 1-Jan. 15	20	--
<u>Kentucky</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
West Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 31-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Nov. 24-Nov. 27 & Dec. 5-Jan. 29		
East Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Same as for West Zone		
Other ducks	Same as for West Zone		
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. 5-Feb. 15	2	4
Rest of Zone	Dec. 5-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. 24-Jan. 31	2	4
Brant	Nov. 24-Jan. 31	2	4
Light Geese			
Western Goose Zone:			
Fulton County (5)	Nov. 24-Feb. 15	20	--
Rest of Zone:	Nov. 24-Jan. 31	20	--
Rest of State	Nov. 24-Jan. 31	20	--
<u>Louisiana</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
West Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 17-Jan. 15		
Other ducks	Nov. 12-Dec. 4 & Dec. 17-Jan. 22		
East Zone (including Catahoula Lake):			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 17-Jan. 15		
Other ducks	Nov. 19-Dec. 4 & Dec. 17-Jan. 29		



	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Louisiana (cont.)</u>			
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada (6)	Jan. 14-Jan. 22	1	2
White-fronted	Nov. 12-Dec. 4 & Dec. 17-Feb. 3	2 2	4 4
Brant	Closed	--	--
Light Geese	Same as for White-fronted	20	--
<u>Michigan</u>			
Ducks (1):		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 1-Oct. 30		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Nov. 29		
Middle Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 12-Dec. 11		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Oct. 9 & Oct. 22-Dec. 11		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 14-Dec. 11 & Dec. 31-Jan. 1		
Other ducks	Oct. 15-Dec. 11 & Dec. 31-Jan. 1		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada (2):			
Upper Peninsula MVP Zone	Sept. 24-Oct. 21	2	4
Lower Peninsula MVP Zone:			
Muskegon Wastewater Goose Management Unit (GMU) (2)	Oct. 25-Nov. 14 & Dec. 1-Dec. 4	2 2	4 4
Allegan County GMU (2)	Nov. 24-Nov. 27 & Dec. 24-Dec. 31 & Jan. 1-Jan. 13	1 1 2	2 2 4
Rest of Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 16 & Nov. 24-Dec. 5	2 2	4 4
SJBP Zone:			
Saginaw County GMU (2)	Oct. 15-Dec. 3	1	2
Tuscola/Huron GMU (2)	Oct. 15-Dec. 3	1	2
Rest of SJBP Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 16 & Nov. 24-Dec. 5	2 2	4 4
Special Season:			
Southern Michigan GMU	Dec. 31-Jan. 29	5	10
Central Michigan GMU	Dec. 31-Jan. 29	5	10
White-fronted and Brant	Sept. 24-Dec. 5	1	2
Light Geese	Sept. 24-Dec. 5	10	30

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Minnesota</u>			
Ducks:		4	8
Canvasbacks	Oct. 8-Nov. 6		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Nov. 29		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots (7)	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
West Zone:			
West Central Zone	Oct. 20-Nov. 28	1	2
Rest of West Zone	Oct. 1-Nov. 9	1	2
(Special season)	Dec. 10-Dec. 19	5	10
Northwest Zone	Oct. 1-Nov. 9	1	2
(Special season)	Dec. 10-Dec. 19	5	10
Southeast Zone	Oct. 1-Dec. 9	2	4
(Special season)	Dec. 15-Dec. 24	2	4
Rest of State	Oct. 1-Dec. 9	2	4
(Special season)	Dec. 10-Dec. 19	5	10
White-fronted	Oct. 1-Dec. 24	1	2
Brant	Oct. 1-Dec. 24	1	2
Light Geese	Oct. 1-Dec. 24	20	40
<u>Mississippi</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
Canvasbacks	Dec. 31-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Nov. 25-Nov. 27 & Dec. 3-Dec. 4 & Dec. 6-Jan. 29		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada	Nov. 16-Nov. 27 & Dec. 3-Jan. 29	3 3	6 6
White-fronted	Nov. 14-Nov. 27 & Dec. 3-Jan. 29	2 2	4 4
Brant	Same as for Canada geese	2	4
Light Geese	Same as for White-fronted	20	--
<u>Missouri</u>			
Ducks and Mergansers:		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 29-Nov. 27		
Other ducks/mergansers	Oct. 29-Dec. 27		
Middle Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 5-Dec. 4		
Other ducks/mergansers	Nov. 5-Jan. 3		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 25-Jan. 23		

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Missouri (cont.)</u>			
Other ducks/mergansers	Nov. 25-Jan. 23		
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
North Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 9 & Oct. 29-Nov. 27 & Dec. 23-Jan. 29	3 2 2	6 4 4
Middle Zone:			
Southeast Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 9 & Nov. 25-Jan. 31	3 2	6 4
Rest of Middle Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 11 & Nov. 5-Nov. 30 & Dec. 23-Jan. 31	3 2 2	6 4 4
South Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 9 & Nov. 25-Jan. 31	3 2	6 4
White-fronted:			
North Zone	Oct. 29-Jan. 22	1	2
Middle Zone:			
Southeast Zone	Nov. 5-Jan. 29	1	2
Rest of Middle Zone	Nov. 5-Jan. 29	1	2
South Zone	Nov. 5-Jan. 29	1	2
Brant	Same as for Canada geese	1	2
Light Geese:			
North Zone	Oct. 29-Jan. 29	20	--
Middle Zone	Nov. 5-Jan. 31	20	--
South Zone	Nov. 5-Jan. 31	20	--
<u>Ohio</u>			
Ducks (1):		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 14-Dec. 4 & Dec. 24-Jan. 1		
Other ducks	Oct. 15-Dec. 4 & Dec. 24-Jan. 1		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 24-Jan. 22		
Other ducks	Oct. 22-Nov. 13 & Dec. 17-Jan. 22		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
North Zone:			
Lake Erie SJBZ Zone	Oct. 15-Oct. 31 & Dec. 10-Jan. 1	2 2	4 4
Rest of North Zone	Oct. 15-Nov. 27 & Dec. 17-Jan. 1	2 2	4 4

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Ohio (cont.)</u>			
(special season)	Jan. 14-Feb. 4	2	4
South Zone	Oct. 22-Nov. 6 & Dec. 17-Jan. 29	2 2	4 4
White-fronted and Brant	Same as for Canada geese	2	4
Light Geese	Same as for Canada geese	10	30
<u>Tennessee</u>			
Ducks (1):		6	12
Reelfoot Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 31-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Nov. 12-Nov. 13 & Dec. 3-Jan. 29		
State Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 31-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Nov. 26-Nov. 27 & Dec. 3-Jan. 29		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
Northwest Zone	Dec. 3-Feb. 12	2	4
Southwest Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 9 & Dec. 11-Jan. 29	2 2	4 4
Kentucky/Barkley Lakes Zone	Same as for Southwest Zone	2	4
Rest of State	Oct. 1-Oct. 9 & Dec. 1-Jan. 30	2 2	4 4
White-fronted	Dec. 3-Feb. 12	2	4
Brant	Nov. 26-Jan. 30	2	4
Light Geese	Nov. 12-Feb. 26	20	--
<u>Wisconsin</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 15-Nov. 13		
Other ducks	Sept. 24-Nov. 22		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 15-Nov. 13		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Oct. 9 & Oct. 15-Dec. 4		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	10	20
Geese:			
Canada (2):			
Horicon Zone	Sept. 16-Dec. 16	Tag System--See State Regulations	
Collins Zone	Sept. 16-Nov. 18	Tag System--See State Regulations	

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Wisconsin</u> (cont.)			
Exterior Zone (2):			
Rock Prairie Subzone	Sept. 17-Oct. 2 & Oct. 3-Dec. 17	1 2	2 4
Mississippi River Subzone	Oct. 1-Oct. 2 & Oct. 3-Oct. 9 & Oct. 15-Dec. 14	1 2 2	2 4 4
Brown County Subzone	Same as Rock Prairie Subzone	--	--
Rest of Exterior Zone:			
North Duck Zone	Same as Rock Prairie Subzone	--	--
South Duck Zone	Same as Rock Prairie Subzone	--	--
White-fronted	Sept. 16-Dec. 10	1	2
Brant	Same as for Canada geese	1	2
Light Geese	Same as for Canada geese	10	30

(1) In Arkansas, Michigan, Ohio, and Tennessee, 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 2005, 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 Minnesota, the daily bag limit is 15 and the possession limit is 30 coots and moorhens in the aggregate.

## CENTRAL FLYWAY

### Flyway-wide Restrictions

**Duck Limits:** The daily bag limit of 6 ducks may include no more than 5 mallards (2 female mallards), 1 mottled duck, 1 pintail, 1 canvasback, 2 redheads, 2 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.

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Colorado</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
Canvasbacks	Oct. 1-Oct. 23 & Nov. 5-Nov. 20		
Pintails	Same as for Canvasbacks		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Oct. 23 & Nov. 5-Dec. 4 & Dec. 11-Jan. 22		
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Dark Geese:			
Northern Front Range Unit	Oct. 1-Oct. 9 & Nov. 19-Feb. 12	3 3	6 6
South Park/San Luis Valley Unit	Same as N. Front Range Unit	3	6
North Park Unit	Same as N. Front Range Unit	3	6
Pueblo County	Dec. 3-Feb. 12	3	6
Rest of State in Central Flyway	Nov. 19-Feb. 12	3	6
Light Geese:			
Northern Front Range Unit	Oct. 29-Feb. 12	20	--
South Park/San Luis Valley Unit	Same as N. Front Range Unit	20	--
North Park Unit	Same as N. Front Range Unit	20	--
Pueblo County	Same as N. Front Range Unit	20	--
Rest of State in Central Flyway	Same as N. Front Range Unit	20	--
<u>Kansas</u>			
Ducks (1):		6	12
High Plains:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 8-Nov. 15		
Pintails	Oct. 8-Nov. 15		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Jan 3 & Jan. 21-Jan. 29		
Low Plains:			
Early Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 15-Nov. 22		
Pintails	Oct. 15-Nov. 22		
Other ducks	Oct. 15-Dec. 11 & Dec. 17-Jan. 1		
Late Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 29-Dec. 6		
Pintails	Oct. 29-Dec. 6		
Other ducks	Oct. 29-Jan. 1 & Jan. 21-Jan. 29		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Dark Geese (2):			
Canada	Oct. 29-Oct. 30 & Nov. 12-Feb. 12	3 3	6 6

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Kansas (cont.)</u>			
White-fronted	Oct. 29-Oct. 30 & Nov. 12-Jan. 20	2 2	4 4
Light Geese	Oct. 29-Feb. 12	20	--
<u>Montana</u>			
Ducks and Mergansers:		6	12
Zone 1:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 1-Nov. 8		
Pintails	Oct. 1-Nov. 8		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Jan. 5		
Zone 2	Same as for Zone 1		
Coots	Same as Other ducks	15	30
Dark Geese	Oct. 1-Jan. 13	4	8
Light Geese	Oct. 1-Jan. 13	5	10
<u>Nebraska</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
High Plains:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 1-Nov. 8		
Pintails	Oct. 1-Nov. 8		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Dec. 11 & Dec. 17-Jan. 9		
Low Plains:			
Zones 1 and 2:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 15-Oct. 16 & Oct. 22-Nov. 27		
Pintails	Same as for Canvasbacks		
Other ducks	Oct. 15-Oct. 16 & Oct. 22-Jan. 1		
Zones 3 and 4:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 1-Nov. 8		
Pintails	Oct. 1-Nov. 8		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Dec. 11 & Dec. 17-Dec. 18		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada:			
Niobrara Unit	Oct. 29-Jan 31	3	6
East Unit	Oct. 1-Oct. 2 & Oct. 22-Jan. 22	3 3	6 6
North Central Unit	Oct. 1-Jan. 3	3	6
Platte River Unit	Oct. 29-Jan. 31	3	6
White-fronted	Oct. 1-Dec. 11	2	4
Light Geese:			
Rainwater Basin Area - East	Oct. 1-Jan. 13	20	--
Rainwater Basin Area - West	Oct. 1-Jan. 13	20	--
Rest of State	Oct. 1-Jan. 13	20	--

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>New Mexico</u>			
Ducks and Mergansers (3):		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. 22-Jan. 29		
Pintails	Dec. 22-Jan. 29		
Other ducks/mergansers	Oct. 26-Jan. 29		
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Dark Geese (4):			
Middle Rio Grande Valley Unit (4)	Jan. 16-Jan. 22	2	2
Rest of State	Oct. 17-Jan. 31	4	8
Light Geese	Oct. 17-Jan. 31	20	80
<u>North Dakota</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
High Plains:			
Canvasbacks	Sept. 24-Nov. 1		
Pintails	Sept. 24-Nov. 1		
Other ducks	Sept. 24-Dec. 4 & Dec. 10-Jan. 1		
Remainder of State:			
Canvasbacks	Sept. 24-Nov. 1		
Pintails	Sept. 24-Nov. 1		
Other ducks	Sept. 24-Dec. 4		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada Geese (5):			
High Plains Unit	Sept. 24-Dec. 22	3	6
Rest of State	Sept. 24-Dec. 22	3	6
White-fronted (5)	Sept. 24-Dec. 4	2	4
Light Geese (5)	Sept. 24-Dec. 22	20	--
<u>Oklahoma</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
High Plains:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 8-Nov. 15		
Pintails	Oct. 8-Nov. 15		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Jan. 11		
Low Plains:			
Zone 1:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 29-Dec. 4 & Dec. 17-Dec. 18		
Pintails	Same as Canvasbacks		
Other ducks	Oct. 29-Dec. 4 & Dec. 17-Jan. 22		



	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Oklahoma (cont.)</u>			
Zone 2:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 22-Jan. 29		
Pintails	Dec. 22-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Nov. 5-Dec. 4 & Dec. 17-Jan. 29		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
Canada	Nov. 5-Dec. 4 & Dec. 10-Feb. 12	3 3	6 6
White-fronted	Nov. 5-Dec. 4 & Dec. 10-Feb. 3	2 1	4 2
Light Geese	Same as for Canada geese	20	--
<u>South Dakota</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
High Plains:			
Canvasbacks	Sept. 24-Nov. 1		
Pintails	Sept. 24-Nov. 1		
Other ducks	Sept. 24-Dec. 6 & Dec. 10-Jan. 1		
Low Plains:			
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Sept. 24-Nov. 1		
Pintails	Sept. 24-Nov. 1		
Other ducks	Sept. 24-Dec. 6		
Middle Zone	Same as for North Zone		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 8-Nov. 15		
Pintails	Oct. 8-Nov. 15		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Dec. 20		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Geese:			
White-fronted	Sept. 24-Dec. 18	1	2
Canada:			
Unit 1	Sept. 24-Dec. 25	3	6
Unit 2	Oct. 22-Jan. 24	3	6
Unit 3:			
Power Plant Area	Sept. 24-Nov. 30 & Dec. 1-Dec. 18	3 2	6 4
Rest of Unit	Sept. 24-Dec. 18	3	6
Unit 4	Oct. 22-Dec. 18 & Jan. 14-Jan. 22	3 3	6 6
Light Geese	Sept. 24-Dec. 18	20	--

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Texas</u>			
Ducks (6):		6	12
High Plains:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 22-Jan. 29		
Pintails	Dec. 22-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Oct. 22-Oct. 23 & Oct. 28-Jan. 29		
Low Plains:			
North Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 22-Jan. 29		
Pintails	Dec. 22-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Nov. 5-Nov. 27 & Dec. 10-Jan. 29		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 22-Jan. 29		
Pintails	Dec. 22-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Nov. 5-Nov. 27 & Dec. 10-Jan. 29		
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	Nov. 5-Jan. 29	3	6
White-fronted	Nov. 5-Jan. 15	2	4
Light Geese	Nov. 5-Jan. 29	20	--
North Zone	Same as for South Zone		
West Tier:			
Dark Geese:			
Canada geese and Brant	Nov. 5-Feb. 7	3	6
White-fronted	Same as for Canada geese	1	2
Light Geese	Same as for Canada geese	20	--
<u>Wyoming</u>			
Ducks:		6	12
Zone 1:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 1-Oct. 16 & Oct. 29-Nov. 20		
Pintails	Same as for Canvasbacks		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Oct. 16 & Oct. 29-Jan. 17		
Zone 2:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 1-Oct. 23 & Nov. 5-Nov. 20		
Pintails	Same as for Canvasbacks		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Oct. 23 & Nov. 5-Jan. 17		
Mergansers	Same as for Other ducks	5	10

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Wyoming (cont.)</u>			
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	15	30
Dark Geese:			
Zone 1	Oct. 1-Oct. 16 & Oct. 29-Dec. 11 & Dec. 17-Jan. 31	5 5 5	10 10 10
Zone 2	Oct. 1-Jan. 14	5	10
Zone 3 (2)	Oct. 1-Oct. 16 & Nov. 12-Feb. 9	2 5	4 10
Zone 4	Oct. 1-Oct. 23 & Nov. 5-Dec. 11 & Dec. 17-Jan. 31	5 5 5	10 10 10
Light Geese	Oct. 1-Dec. 31 & Jan. 27-Feb. 9	10 10	40 40

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

(2) See State regulations for additional restrictions.

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

(4) 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.

(5) In North Dakota, the shooting hours for geese are one-half hour before sunrise to 1 p.m. through October 28 and until 2 p.m. the remainder of the season, except that beginning September 24, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to sunset on Saturdays and Wednesdays for Canada geese (through December 22) and white-fronted geese (through December 4).

(6) In Texas, the daily bag limit may include on 1 mottled duck, black duck, or Mexican-like duck in the aggregate.

#### 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 3 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.

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Arizona</u>			
Ducks (1):		7	14
North Zone			
Canvasbacks	Nov. 17-Jan. 15		
Other ducks	Oct. 7-Jan. 15		
South Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 1-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Oct. 21-Jan. 29		
Coots and moorhens	Same as Other ducks	25	25
Geese (2):			
North Zone	Oct. 7-Jan. 15	3	3
South Zone	Oct. 21-Jan. 29	3	3
<u>California</u>			
Ducks:		7	14
Northeastern Zone (3):			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 29-Dec. 18 & Jan. 12-Jan. 20		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Jan. 20		
Colorado River Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 1-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Oct. 21-Jan. 29		
Southern Zone (3):			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 1-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Oct. 22-Jan. 29		
Southern San Joaquin Valley Zone (3):			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 1-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Oct. 22-Jan. 29		
Balance-of-State Zone (3):			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 1-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Oct. 22-Jan. 29		
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:			
Dark Geese	Oct. 8-Jan. 15	4	8
Small Canada Geese (4)	Oct. 8-Jan. 15	2	4
Light Geese	Oct. 8-Jan. 15	1	2
Colorado River Zone:			
Dark Geese	Oct. 8-Jan. 15	4	8
Light Geese	Oct. 8-Jan. 15	4	8
Southern Zone:			
Dark Geese	Oct. 21-Jan. 29	6	12
Light Geese	Oct. 21-Jan. 29	3	6
Dark Geese	Oct. 21-Jan. 29	4	8
Light Geese	Oct. 21-Jan. 29	4	8
Dark Geese	Oct. 22-Jan. 29	5	10
Light Geese	Oct. 22-Jan. 29	3	6
Light Geese	Oct. 22-Jan. 29	4	8

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>California (cont.)</u>			
Balance-of-State Zone:		4	8
Dark Geese:			
Canada:			
Del Norte & Humboldt	Oct. 22-Jan. 29	1	2
Small Canada geese (4)	Oct. 22-Jan. 29	4	8
Rest of Zone:	Oct. 22-Jan. 29	3	6
Small Canada geese (4)	Oct. 22-Jan. 29	4	8
White-fronted:			
Sacramento Valley	Oct. 29-Dec. 14	2	4
Rest of Zone	Oct. 22-Jan. 29	3	6
Light Geese	Oct. 22-Jan. 29	4	8
Brant			
North Zone	Nov. 16-Nov. 30	2	4
South Zone	Dec. 1-Dec. 15	2	4
<u>Colorado</u>			
Ducks:		7	14
Canvasbacks	Oct. 1-Oct. 16 & Nov. 2-Dec. 15		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Oct. 16 & Nov. 2-Jan. 29		
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	25	25
Geese:	Oct. 1-Oct. 7 & Nov. 2-Jan. 29	3 3	6 6
<u>Idaho</u>			
Ducks:		7	14
Zone 1:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 8-Dec. 6		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Jan. 20		
Zone 2:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 8-Dec. 6		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Jan. 20		
Zone 3:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 15-Dec. 13		
Other ducks	Oct. 15-Jan. 27		
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	25	25
Geese:			
Zone 1	Oct. 8-Jan. 20	4	8
Zone 2	Oct. 15-Jan. 27	4	8
Zone 3	Same as for Zone 2	3	6
Zone 4 (5)	Same as for Zone 1	4	8
Zone 5	Same as for Zone 1	4	8

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Montana</u>			
Ducks:		7	14
Canvasbacks	Oct. 1-Nov. 29		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Jan. 13		
Coots	Oct. 1-Jan. 13	25	25
Geese (6):			
Dark	Oct. 1-Jan. 13	4	8
Light	Oct. 1-Jan. 13	4	8
<u>Nevada</u>			
Ducks:		7	14
Lincoln & Clark Counties:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 8-Oct. 9 & Nov. 24-Jan. 20		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Jan. 20		
Rest of State:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 8-Dec. 6		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Jan. 21		
Coots and moorhens	Same as for Other ducks	25	25
Dark Geese:			
Lincoln & Clark Counties	Oct. 22-Jan. 29	2	4
Washoe Valley of Washoe County	Oct. 22-Jan. 8	3	6
Rest of State	Oct. 22-Jan. 29	3	6
Light Geese (7)	Same as Dark Geese	3	6
<u>New Mexico</u>			
Ducks:		7	14
Canvasbacks	Oct. 17-Dec. 15		
Other ducks	Oct. 17-Jan. 29		
Coots and Moorhens	Same as for Other ducks	12	24
Dark Geese:			
North Zone	Sept. 24-Oct. 9 & Oct. 31-Jan. 29	3	6
South Zone	Oct. 15-Jan. 29	2	4
Light Geese:			
North Zone	Same as Dark Geese	1	2
South Zone	Same as Dark Geese	1	2
<u>Oregon</u>			
Ducks:		7	14
Zone 1:			
Columbia Basin Unit:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 15-Oct. 23 & Dec. 10-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Oct. 15-Oct. 30 & Nov. 2-Jan. 29		
Rest of Zone 1	Same as for Columbia Basin Unit		

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Oregon</u> (cont.)			
Zone 2:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 8-Dec. 6		
Other ducks	Oct. 8-Dec. 6 & Dec. 9-Jan. 22		
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	25	25
Geese:			
Northwest General Goose Zone:			
Dark Geese	Oct. 15-Oct. 30 & Nov. 11-Jan. 29	4 4	8 8
Small Canada Geese (4)		1	2
Light Geese	Same as for Dark Geese	4	8
Northwest Special Permit Zone (8):			
Dark Geese	Oct. 22-Nov. 6 & Nov. 19-Jan. 15 & Feb. 5-Feb. 26	4 4 4	8 8 8
Dusky Canada geese			1 per season
Small Canada geese (4)		2	4
Light Geese	Oct. 22-Nov. 6 & Nov. 19-Jan. 15	4 4	8 8
Southwest General Zone:			
Dark Geese	Oct. 15-Nov. 29 & Dec. 8-Jan. 29	4 4	8 8
Light Geese	Same as for Dark Geese	4	8
Eastern Zone:			
Klamath, Harney, Lake, and Malheur Counties:			
Dark Geese	Oct. 8-Nov. 29 & Dec. 15-Jan. 29	4 4	8 8
Small Canada geese		1	2
White-fronted geese:			
Lake County		2	4
Rest of Zone		4	8
Light Geese	Same as Dark Geese	4	8
Remainder of Eastern Zone:			
Dark Geese	Oct. 15-Oct. 23 & Nov. 1-Jan. 29	4 4	8 8
Small Canada geese		1	2
White-fronted geese		4	8
Light Geese	Same as Dark Geese	4	8
Brant	Nov. 12-Nov. 27	2	4
<u>Utah</u> (9)			
Ducks:		7	14
Zone 1:			
Canvasbacks	Oct. 1-Nov. 29		
Other ducks	Oct. 1-Jan. 14		
Zone 2			
	Same as for Zone 1		

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>Utah (cont.)</u>			
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	25	25
Geese:			
Light	Oct. 1-Dec. 1 & Dec. 17-Jan. 29	4 4	8 8
Dark:			
Washington County (10)	Same as Light Geese	3	6
Rest of State	Same as Light Geese	3	6
<u>Washington</u>			
Ducks:		7	14
East Zone:			
Canvasbacks	Dec. 1-Jan. 29		
Other ducks	Oct. 15-Oct 19 & Oct. 22-Jan. 29		
West Zone (11)	Same as for the East Zone		
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	25	25
Geese (12):			
Management Area 1 (14):			
Light Geese	Oct 15-Jan. 8	3	6
Dark Geese	Oct 15-Oct. 27 & Nov. 5-Jan. 29	4 4	8 8
Management Area 2A (13)	Nov. 12-Nov. 27 & Dec. 7-Dec. 24 & Dec. 27-Jan. 29	4 4 4	8 8 8
Dusky Canada geese		1 per season	
Late-Season Canada Geese	Feb. 4-Mar. 8	4	8
Dusky Canada geese		1 per season	
Management Area 2B (13)	Oct. 15-Jan. 15	4	8
Dusky Canada geese		1 per season	
Management Areas 3 (14)	Oct. 15-Oct. 27 & Nov. 5-Jan. 29	4 4	8 8
Management Areas 4 & 5 (14)	Oct. 15-Oct. 17 & Oct. 22-Jan. 29	4 4	8 8
Brant (15)			
Skagit County	Jan. 21-Jan. 28	2	8
Pacific County	Jan. 7-Jan. 14	2	4
<u>Wyoming</u>			
Ducks:		7	14
Canvasbacks	Sept. 24-Nov. 22		
Other ducks	Sept. 24-Jan. 7		
Coots	Same as for Other ducks	25	25
Dark Geese	Sept. 24-Dec. 30	3	6

- (1) In Arizona, the daily limit may include no more than either 2 hen mallards or 2 Mexican-like ducks, or 1 of each; and not more than 4 hen mallards and Mexican-like ducks, in the aggregate, may be in possession.
- (2) In 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, except in the Colorado River Zone, the daily bag limit may include no more than 5 mallards, only 1 of which may be a hen.
- (4) In California and Oregon, small Canada geese are cackling and Aleutian Canada geese.
- (5) In Idaho, the season on light geese is closed in Fremont and Teton Counties.
- (6) In Montana, check State regulations for special seasons/exceptions in Freezeout Lake WMA; Canyon Ferry; Flathead; Deer Lodge County; and Missoula County.
- (7) In Nevada, there is no open season on light geese in Ruby Valley within Elko and White Pine Counties.
- (8) In 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.
- (9) In Utah, the shooting hours are 8:00 a.m. to sunset on October 1 in Cache, Salt Lake, Davis, Weber, and Box Elder Counties, and November 5 statewide.
- (10) In Utah, the season in Washington County is for Canada geese only.
- (11) In Washington, the daily bag limit in the West Zone may include no more than 4 scoters and 4 oldsquaws, with the possession limit twice the daily bag limit. The daily bag and possession limit, and the season limit, for harlequins is 1.
- (12) In Washington, daily bag and possession limits may include no more than 3 and 6 light geese, respectively.
- (13) In Washington, see State regulations for specific dates and conditions of permit hunts and closures for Canada geese.
- (14) In Washington, in State Goose Area 4, hunting is only on Saturdays, Sundays, Wednesdays, and certain holidays. In State Goose Areas 1, 3, and 5, hunting is everyday. See State regulations for details, including shooting hours.
- (15) 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 31, 2005, Federal Register (70 FR 51946). Bag and possession limits will conform to those set for the regular season.

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Season Dates

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ATLANTIC FLYWAY

Connecticut

Ducks, mergansers, coots, and geese

Oct. 8 & 10

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Season Dates

Florida

Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and geese (9) Feb. 4 & 5

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Maryland

Ducks, coots, snow geese, Canada geese, and brant Nov. 5

Massachusetts

Ducks, mergansers, coots, and geese Oct. 8 & 10

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New Jersey

Ducks, mergansers, coots, geese, moorhens and gallinules  
 North Zone Sept. 24  
 South Zone Nov. 11 & 12  
 Coastal Zone Oct. 29

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North Carolina

Ducks, mergansers, Canada geese (10), and coots Feb. 4

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South Carolina

Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots Feb. 4 & 5

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Virginia

Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, gallinules,  
 and Canada geese (11) Oct. 22

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MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY

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Arkansas

Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules Dec. 10 & 11

Illinois

Ducks, mergansers, coots, and geese:  
 North Zone Oct. 8 & 9  
 Central Zone Oct. 22 & 23  
 South Zone Nov. 12 & 13

## Season Dates

Indiana

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

North Zone

Oct. 1 &amp; 2

South Zone

Nov. 5 &amp; 6

Ohio River Zone

Oct. 15 &amp; 16

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Kentucky

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

East Zone

Nov. 5 &amp; 6

West Zone

Feb. 4 &amp; 5

Louisiana

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

West Zone

Nov. 5 &amp; 6

East Zone

Nov. 12 &amp; 13

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Mississippi

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

Feb. 4 &amp; 5

Missouri

Ducks, coots, and geese:

North Zone

Oct. 22 &amp; 23

Middle Zone

Oct. 29 &amp; 30

South Zone

Nov. 19 &amp; 20

Ohio

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

Oct. 8 &amp; 9

Tennessee

Ducks, mergansers, and coots

Feb. 4 &amp; 5

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CENTRAL FLYWAY

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Kansas (5)

Ducks, dark geese, mergansers and coots:

High Plains

Oct. 1 &amp; 2

Low Plains

Early Zone

Oct. 8 &amp; 9

Late Zone

Oct. 22 &amp; 23

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	Season Dates
<u>Oklahoma</u>	
Ducks, mergansers, coots, and geese:	
High Plains	Oct. 1 & 2
Low Plains:	
Zone 1	Oct. 22 & 23
Zone 2	Oct. 29 & 30
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<u>Texas</u>	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
High Plains	Oct. 15 & 16
Low Plains:	
North Zone	Oct. 29 & 30
South Zone	Oct. 29 & 30
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<u>PACIFIC FLYWAY</u>	
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<u>California</u>	
Ducks, geese, brant, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	
Northeastern Zone	Sept. 24 & 25
Colorado River Zone	Feb. 4
Southern Zone	Feb. 4 & 5
Southern San Joaquin Valley	Feb. 4 & 5
Balance-of-State Zone	Feb. 4 & 5
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<u>Nevada</u>	
Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	
Lincoln and Clark Counties	Feb. 4 and 5
Rest of State	Sept. 24
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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 CR271. 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 except by permit.

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

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

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

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

Shooting and Hawking hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset, except as otherwise restricted by State regulations. Area descriptions were published in the August 30, 2005, (70 FR 51522) Federal Register.

Note: The following seasons are in addition to the seasons published previously in the August 31, 2005, Federal Register (70 FR 51946).

	Season Dates	Limits	
		Bag	Possession
<u>CENTRAL FLYWAY</u>			
	* * * * *		
<u>Kansas</u> (2)(6)	Nov. 9-Jan. 5	3	6
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<u>Oklahoma</u> (1)	Oct. 29-Jan. 29	3	6
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<u>Texas</u> (1):			
Zone A	Nov. 5-Feb. 5	3	6
Zone B	Nov. 26-Feb. 5	3	6
Zone C	Dec. 24-Jan. 29	2	4
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(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.

(2) In Kansas and North Dakota, each hunter participating in a regular sandhill crane hunting season must obtain and carry in his or her possession while hunting sandhill cranes a valid Federal sandhill crane hunting permit issued and validated by the State. The permit must be displayed to any authorized law enforcement official upon request.

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(6) See State regulations for additional restrictions.

5. Section 20.107 is revised to read as follows:

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

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

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

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

	Season Dates	Limits Bag Possession
<u>ATLANTIC FLYWAY</u>		
<u>North Carolina</u>	Nov. 5-Jan. 31	1 tundra swan per season
<u>Virginia</u>	Dec. 1-Jan 31	1 tundra swan per season
<u>CENTRAL FLYWAY (1)</u>		
<u>Montana</u>	Oct. 1-Jan. 5	1 tundra swan per season
<u>North Dakota</u>	Oct. 1-Dec. 11	1 tundra swan per season
<u>South Dakota</u>	Oct. 1-Dec. 18	1 tundra swan per permit
<u>PACIFIC FLYWAY (1)(2)</u>		
<u>Montana (3)</u>	Oct. 15-Dec. 1	1 swan per season
<u>Nevada (4)(5)</u>	Oct. 22-Jan. 8	1 swan per season
<u>Utah (3)(5)</u>	Oct. 1-Dec. 11	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.

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

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

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

Hawking hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset except as otherwise restricted by State regulations. Area descriptions were published in the August 30, 2005, (70 FR 51522) and the September 22, 2005, Federal Registers.

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

**NOTE:** The following seasons are in addition to the seasons published previously in the August 31, 2005, Federal Register (70 FR 51946).

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Extended Falconry Dates

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ATLANTIC FLYWAY

Delaware

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Ducks, mergansers, and coots Jan. 23-Mar. 6

Brant Feb. 1-Mar. 10

Florida

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Ducks, mergansers, light geese, and coots (1) Oct. 30-Nov. 12 &  
Feb. 6-Mar. 3

Extended Falconry Dates

Georgia

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Ducks, mergansers, gallinules, coots, and sea ducks Nov. 12-Nov. 18 &  
Nov. 28-Dec. 9 &  
Jan. 30-Feb. 3

Maine

Ducks, mergansers, and coots (4):  
North Zone Dec. 9-Jan. 31  
South Zone Jan. 6-Feb. 28

Maryland

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Ducks Oct. 1-Oct. 7 &  
Feb. 3-Mar. 10  
Brant Jan. 29-Mar. 10

Massachusetts

Ducks, mergansers, sea ducks, and coots Oct. 6-Oct. 7 &  
Nov. 28-Dec. 2  
Jan. 23-Feb. 7

New Hampshire

Ducks, mergansers, and coots:  
Inland Zone Nov. 14-Nov. 22 &  
Dec. 12-Jan. 16  
Coastal Zone Jan. 25-Mar. 10

New Jersey

Woodcock:  
North Zone Oct. 1-Oct. 19 &  
Nov. 13-Jan. 15  
South Zone Oct. 1-Nov. 11 &  
Nov. 27-Dec. 22 &  
Jan. 1-Jan. 15  
Ducks, mergansers, coots, and brant:  
North Zone Jan. 1-Feb. 7  
South Zone Jan. 8-Feb. 14  
Coastal Zone Jan. 25-Feb. 28



## Extended Falconry Dates

New York

## Ducks, mergansers and coots:

Long Island Zone	Nov. 1-Nov. 22 & Nov. 28-Dec. 5 & Jan. 30-Feb. 13
Northeastern Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 7 & Nov. 11-Nov. 18 & Dec. 15-Jan. 13
Southeastern Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 7 & Oct. 17-Nov. 11 & Jan. 2-Jan. 13
Western Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 21 & Dec. 7-Dec. 25 & Jan. 9-Jan. 13

Pennsylvania

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## Ducks, mergansers, and coots:

North Zone	Oct. 24-Nov. 7 & Jan. 2-Jan. 14 & Feb. 14-Mar. 9
South Zone	Oct. 17-Nov. 14 & Feb. 15-Mar. 10
Northwest Zone	Nov. 28-Dec. 10 & Jan. 2-Jan. 14 & Feb. 14-Mar. 10
Lake Erie Zone	Jan. 17-Mar. 10
Canada Geese:	
SJBZ Zone	Feb. 25-Mar. 10
Pymatuning Zone	Jan. 16-Mar. 10
AP Zone	Jan. 27-Mar. 10
RP Zone	Feb. 25-Mar. 10

South Carolina

## Ducks, mergansers, and coots

Oct. 26-Nov. 22 &  
Nov. 28-Dec. 15Virginia

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## Moorhens and gallinules

Dec. 5-Dec. 9 &  
Jan. 21-Feb. 28

Extended Falconry Dates

Virginia (cont.)

Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Dec. 5-Dec. 9 & Jan. 30-Feb. 28
Canada Geese:	
Eastern (AP) Zone	Dec. 5-Dec. 22 & Jan. 30-Feb. 18
Western Zone	Dec. 5-Dec. 14 & Jan. 30-Feb. 18
Brant	Oct. 26-Dec. 3 & Dec. 10-Dec.24 & Feb. 4-Mar. 10

MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY

Arkansas

Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Dec. 5-Dec. 15 & Dec. 25 & Jan. 30-Feb. 19
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Illinois

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Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Feb. 3-Mar. 10
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Indiana

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Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
North Zone	Sept. 27-Sept. 30 & Feb. 6-Mar. 9
South Zone	Oct. 4-Oct. 11 & Feb. 10-Mar. 9
Ohio River Zone	Oct. 4-Oct. 11 & Feb. 10-Mar. 9

Iowa

Ducks, mergansers, and coots	
North Zone	Dec. 15-Jan. 28
South Zone	Dec. 16-Jan. 29

## Extended Falconry Dates

Iowa (cont.)

Canada Geese:	
North Goose Zone	Dec. 5-Dec. 23 & Jan. 3-Jan. 5
South Goose Zone	Dec. 5-Dec. 23 & Jan. 10-Jan. 12
White-fronted Geese:	
North Goose Zone	Dec. 12-Jan. 15
South Goose Zone	Dec. 12-Jan. 15

Kentucky

Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Nov. 5-Nov. 23 & Nov. 28-Dec. 4 & Jan. 29-Feb. 1
Canada Geese:	
Western Goose Zone:	
Fulton County	Nov. 10-Dec. 4
Rest of Zone	Nov. 5-Dec. 4
Pennyroyal/Coalfield Zone	Nov. 5-Dec. 12
Rest of State	Nov. 5-Dec. 12
White-fronted geese, brant, and light geese	Nov. 5-Nov. 23

Louisiana

Rails and moorhens	Nov. 5-Nov. 11 & Jan. 12-Feb. 10
Ducks	
West Zone	Nov. 5-Nov. 11 & Dec. 5-Dec. 16 & Jan. 23-Feb. 10
East Zone	Nov. 5-Nov. 11 & Dec. 5-Dec. 16 & Jan. 30-Feb. 10

Michigan

Ducks, mergansers, coots, and moorhens	Jan. 25-Mar. 10
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Minnesota

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Ducks, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Nov. 30-Jan. 14

Extended Falconry Dates

Mississippi

Mourning Doves	Dec. 10-Dec. 23 & Jan. 21-Feb. 22
Ducks, mergansers and coots	Feb. 1-Feb. 3 & Feb. 6-Mar. 10

Missouri

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Ducks, mergansers, and coots:	
North Zone	Sept. 10-Sept. 18 & Sept. 24-Oct. 28
Middle Zone	Sept. 10-Sept. 18 & Sept. 28-Nov. 4
South Zone	Sept. 10-Sept. 18 & Oct. 18-Nov. 24

Ohio

Ducks, mergansers, and coots	
North Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 15 & Oct. 8-Oct. 9 & Jan. 14-Feb. 12
South Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 15 & Oct. 8-Oct. 9 & Jan. 23-Feb. 12

Tennessee

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Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 15-Oct. 24
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Wisconsin

Rails, snipe, moorhens, and gallinules	
North Duck Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 23 & Nov. 23-Dec. 16
South Duck Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 30 & Oct. 10-Oct. 14 & Dec. 5-Dec. 16
Woodcock	Sept. 1-Sept. 23 & Nov. 8-Dec. 16
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 17-Sept. 18 & Jan. 14-Feb. 27

## Extended Falconry Dates

CENTRAL FLYWAYKansas

Ducks, mergansers, and coots:

Low Plains:

Early Zone and Late Zone

Feb. 17-Mar. 10

Montana (2)

Ducks, mergansers, and coots:

Zones 1 and 2

Sept. 21-Sept. 30

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Oklahoma

Ducks, mergansers, and coots:

Low Plains:

Zones 1 and 2

Feb. 11-Mar. 4

South Dakota

Ducks, mergansers, and coots (1)

High Plains

Sept. 4-Sept. 11

Low Plains

North Zone

Sept. 4-Sept. 16 &  
Sept. 19-Sept. 23 &  
Dec. 7-Dec. 19

Middle Zone

Sept. 4-Sept. 16 &  
Sept. 19-Sept. 23 &  
Dec. 7-Dec. 19

South Zone

Sept. 4-Sept. 16 &  
Sept. 19-Oct. 6Texas

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Ducks, mergansers, and coots:

Low Plains:

North Zone and South Zone

Jan. 30-Feb. 20

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Extended Falconry Dates

PACIFIC FLYWAY

Arizona

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Ducks and mergansers:

North Zone Oct. 2-Oct. 6  
 South Zone Jan. 30-Feb. 3

California

Ducks, mergansers, and coots:

Colorado River Zone Jan. 30-Feb. 3  
 Southern Zone Jan. 30-Feb. 5  
 Balance-of-State Zone Jan. 30-Feb. 5  
 Southern San Joaquin Zone Jan. 30-Feb. 5

Canada Geese and White-fronted Geese:

Northeastern Zone Jan. 16-Jan. 20  
 Southern Zone Same as for Ducks  
 Balance-of-State Zone (5) Same as for Ducks  
 Southern San Joaquin Zone Same as for Ducks

Brant

Northern Zone Oct. 22-Nov. 15 &  
 Dec. 1-Feb. 3  
 Southern Zone Oct. 22-Nov. 30 &  
 Dec. 16-Feb. 3

Light Geese:

Northeastern Zone Jan. 16-Jan. 20  
 Southern Zone Same as for Ducks  
 Balance-of-State Zone Same as for Ducks

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New Mexico

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Rails

Nov. 26-Jan. 1

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Extended Falconry Dates

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Utah

Ducks, mergansers, coots, geese, snipe

Sept. 24

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

(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 Humboldt Area, the Sacramento Valley Area, and in the San Joaquin Valley Area.

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