



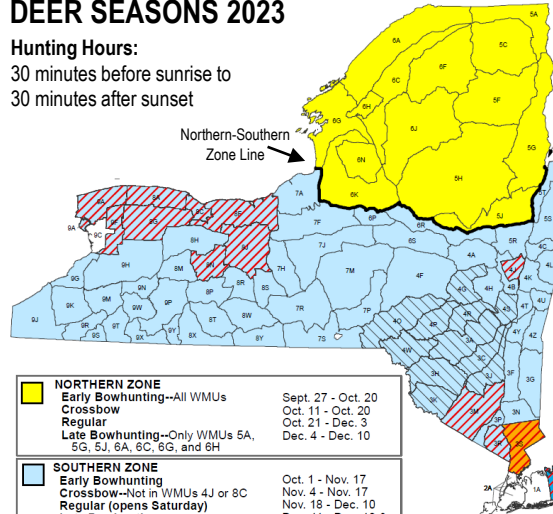
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Most regulations are in effect September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024

REGULAR & BOWHUNTING DEER SEASONS 2023

Hunting Hours: 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset



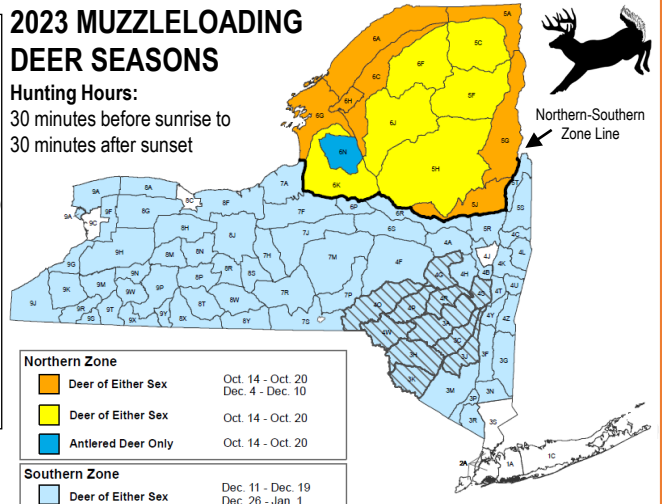
Youth Firearms Season Season Dates Oct. 7 - 9, 2023 Area Open Northern and Southern Zone, except bowhunting-only WMUs Eligible Hunters Youth 14-15 years (all open areas) Youth aged 12-13 years (select counties, see www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/46245.html) Bag Limit One deer (antlered or antlerless) Tags Regular (either-sex), DMP and DMAP (antlerless only); Bow/Muzz tags are not valid

- NORTHERN ZONE Early Bowhunting--All WMUs Sept. 27 - Oct. 20 Crossbow Regular Oct. 11 - Oct. 20 Late Bowhunting--Only WMUs 5A, 5G, 5J, 6A, 6C, 6G, and 6H Dec. 4 - Dec. 10 SOUTHERN ZONE Early Bowhunting Nov. 4 - Nov. 17 Crossbow--Not in WMUs 4J or 8C Nov. 18 - Dec. 10 Regular (opens Saturday) Dec. 11 - Dec. 19 & Late Bowhunting Dec. 26 - Jan. 1 WESTCHESTER COUNTY (3S) Regular--Bowhunting Only Oct. 1 - Dec. 31 SUFFOLK COUNTY (1C) Regular--Bowhunting Only Oct. 1, 2023 - Jan. 31, 2024 Special Firearms-(Permit Req.) Jan. 7 - Jan. 31, 2024 Antler Point Restrictions During all seasons, antlered bucks must have at least one antler with 3 or more points that are at least 1 inch long. Young hunters (ages 12-16) are exempt. No Deer Hunting

Early Antlerless Season Sept. 9 - 17 Tags: DMP and DMAP Vertical Bow--Only: 1C, 3S, 4J, 8C Firearms, Bow, & Crossbow: 3M, 3R, 8A, 8F, 8G, 8J, 8N, 9A, and 9F Crossbows May be used to hunt deer during the Northern and Southern Zone Regular seasons. May not be used to hunt deer: - during the Youth Firearms Season; or - anytime in WMUs 1C (Suffolk County), 3S (Westchester County), 4J or 8C.

2023 MUZZLELOADING DEER SEASONS

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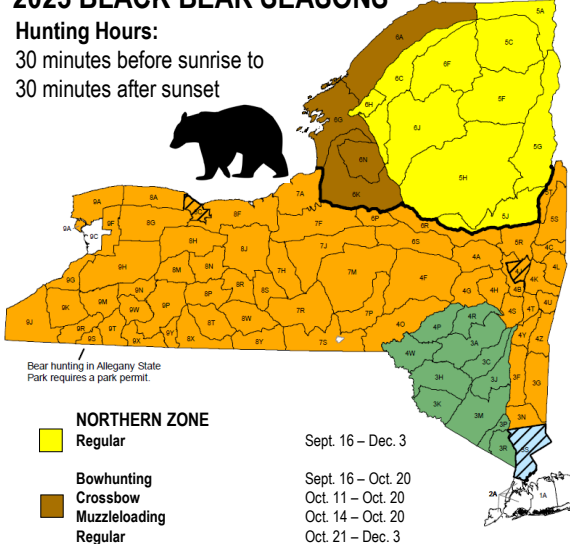


- Northern Zone Deer of Either Sex Oct. 14 - Oct. 20 Dec. 4 - Dec. 10 Deer of Either Sex Oct. 14 - Oct. 20 Antlered Deer Only Oct. 14 - Oct. 20 Southern Zone Deer of Either Sex Dec. 11 - Dec. 19 Dec. 26 - Jan. 1 Antler Point Restrictions During all seasons, antlered bucks must have at least one antler with 3 or more points that are at least 1 inch long. Young hunters (ages 12-16) are exempt. No Muzzleloading Season

Crossbows May be used to hunt deer during the Northern and Southern Zone Muzzleloader seasons. May not be used to hunt deer anytime in WMUs 1C (Suffolk County), 3S (Westchester County), 4J or 8C.

2023 BLACK BEAR SEASONS

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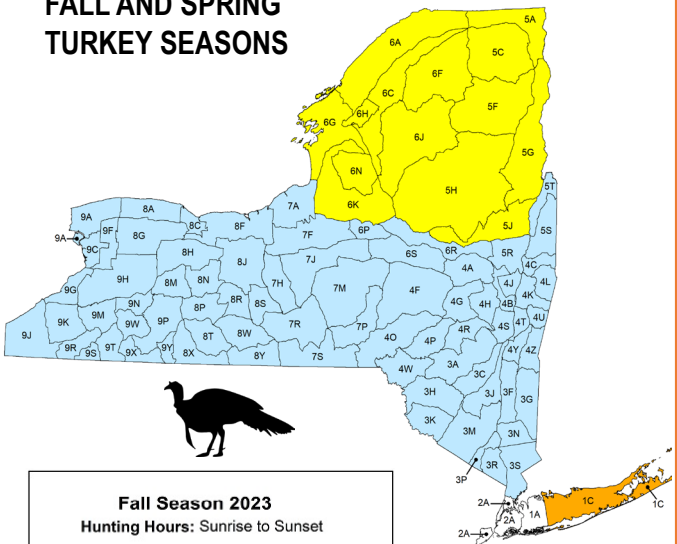


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- NORTHERN ZONE Regular Sept. 16 - Dec. 3 Bowhunting Sept. 16 - Oct. 20 Crossbow Oct. 11 - Oct. 20 Muzzleloading Oct. 14 - Oct. 20 Regular Oct. 21 - Dec. 3 SOUTHERN ZONE Early Bear Sept. 9 - Sept. 24 Early Bowhunting Oct. 1 - Nov. 17 Crossbow--not in WMUs 4J or 8C Nov. 4 - Nov. 17 Regular Nov. 18 - Dec. 10 Late Bowhunting Dec. 11 - Dec. 19 Late Muzzleloading Dec. 11 - Dec. 19 Westchester County (3S) Regular - Bowhunting Only Oct. 1 - Dec. 31

Bowhunting Only WMUs No Bear Hunting Crossbows - May be used to hunt bear during the early bear seasons, muzzleloader seasons, and the regular firearms seasons. - May not be used to hunt bear anytime in WMUs 3S (Westchester County), 4J or 8C.

FALL AND SPRING TURKEY SEASONS

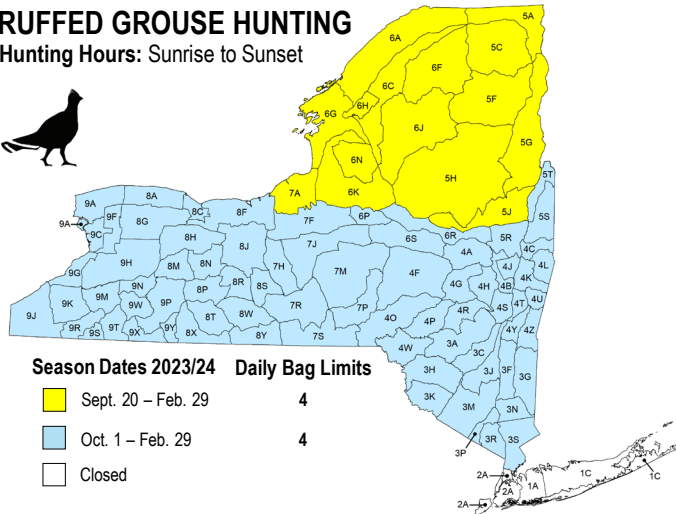


- Fall Season 2023 Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset Season Dates: Oct. 1 - Oct. 14 Oct. 21 - Nov. 3 Nov. 18 - Dec. 1 Statewide Bag Limit: 1 bird of either sex Closed Spring Season 2024 Hunting Hours: 1/2 hour before Sunrise to Noon Season Dates: May 1 - May 31 in all open areas Statewide Bag Limit: 2 bearded birds, no more than 1 in WMU 1C Closed

Youth Turkey Season 2024 Hunting Hours: 1/2 hour before Sunrise to Noon Statewide Bag Limit: 1 bearded bird Season Dates: April 20 and 21, 2024 Open Areas: Same as Regular Spring Season

RUFFED GROUSE HUNTING

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

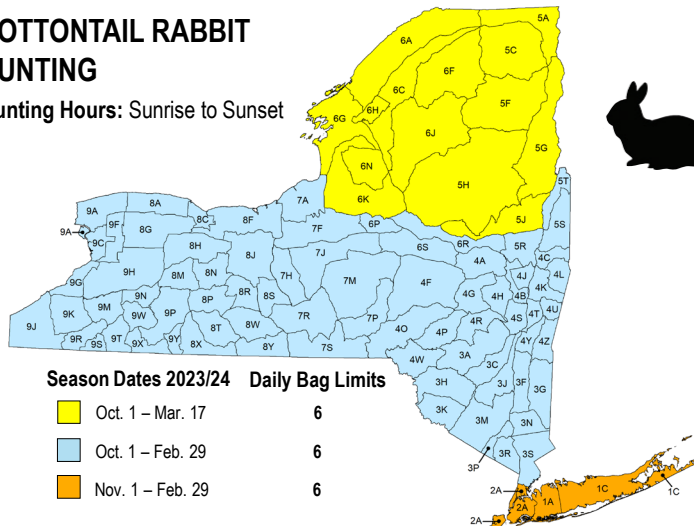


Season Dates 2023/24 Daily Bag Limits

 Sept. 20 – Feb. 29	4
 Oct. 1 – Feb. 29	4
 Closed	

COTTONTAIL RABBIT HUNTING

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset



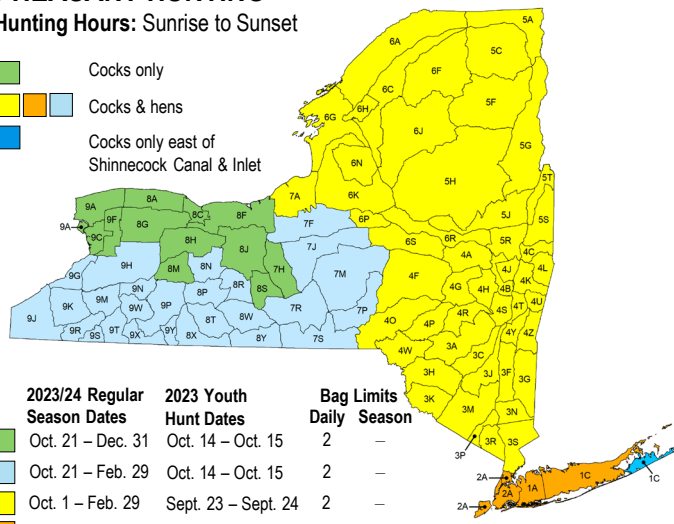
Season Dates 2023/24 Daily Bag Limits

 Oct. 1 – Mar. 17	6
 Oct. 1 – Feb. 29	6
 Nov. 1 – Feb. 29	6

PHEASANT HUNTING

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

- Cocks only
- Cocks & hens
- Cocks only east of Shinnecock Canal & Inlet



2023/24 Regular Season Dates	2023 Youth Hunt Dates	Bag Limits Daily Season
 Oct. 21 – Dec. 31	Oct. 14 – Oct. 15	2 –
 Oct. 21 – Feb. 29	Oct. 14 – Oct. 15	2 –
 Oct. 1 – Feb. 29	Sept. 23 – Sept. 24	2 –
 Nov. 1 – Dec. 31	Oct. 28 – Oct. 29 [†]	2 ^{*/4} ** 30
 Nov. 1 – Dec. 31	Oct. 28 – Oct. 29	2 ^{*/4} ** 30

* Youth Hunt
 ** Regular Season
[†] No youth hunt in WMU 2A; hunting is by falconry only

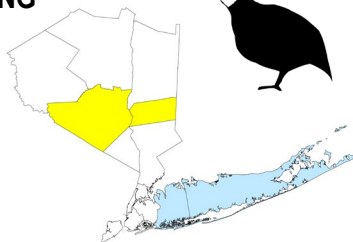
Junior hunters (ages 12-15) must be accompanied by a licensed adult hunter. Only the junior hunter may carry a firearm.

BOBWHITE QUAIL HUNTING

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset



2023/24 Regular Season Dates	Bag Limits Daily Season
 Oct. 1 – Feb. 29	4 10
 Nov. 1 – Dec. 31	6 40
 Closed	



RACCOON, FOX, SKUNK, OPOSSUM & WEASEL HUNTING

Long Island: Nov. 1 – Feb. 25

All other areas of New York: Oct. 25 – Feb. 15



There are no bag limits for these species. They may be hunted during the day or night, except weasel, which may only be hunted from sunrise to sunset.

COYOTE HUNTING

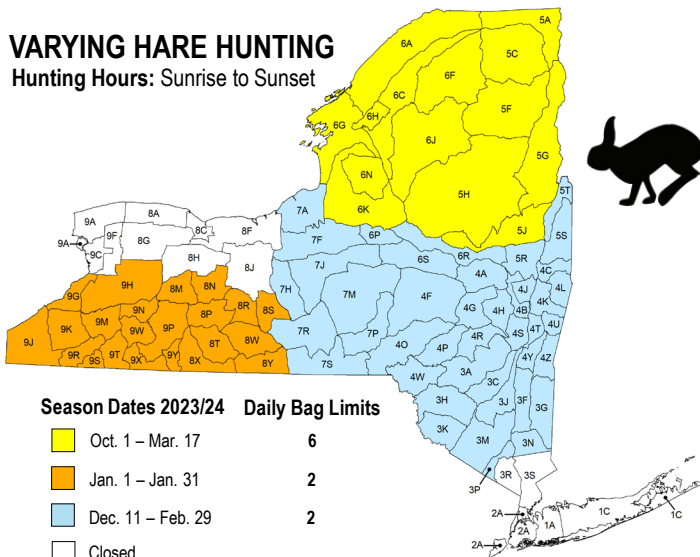
Statewide except Long Island and New York City:
 Oct. 1 – Mar. 31



There are no bag limits for coyotes. They may be hunted during the day or night.

VARYING HARE HUNTING

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset



Season Dates 2023/24 Daily Bag Limits

 Oct. 1 – Mar. 17	6
 Jan. 1 – Jan. 31	2
 Dec. 11 – Feb. 29	2
 Closed	

GRAY, BLACK & FOX SQUIREL HUNTING

Daily bag limit of 6 total, regardless of species.

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

Long Island: Nov. 1 – Feb. 29

All other areas of New York: Sept. 1 – Feb. 29

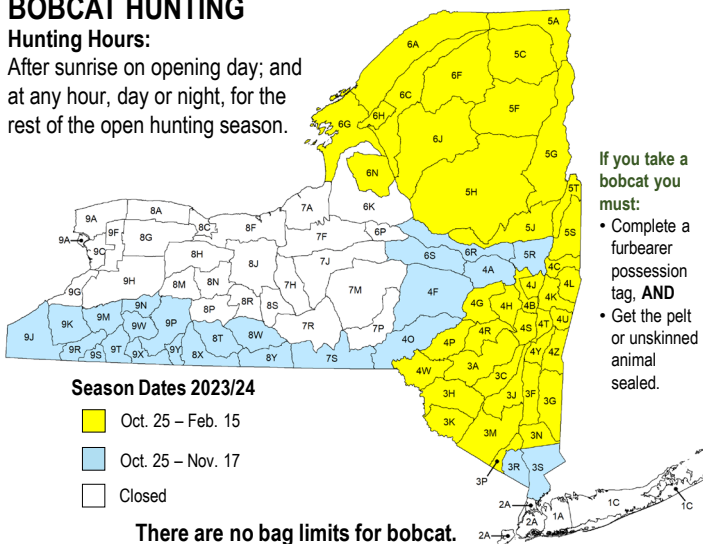


Red squirrels are unprotected, and may be hunted at any time without limit.

BOBCAT HUNTING

Hunting Hours:

After sunrise on opening day; and at any hour, day or night, for the rest of the open hunting season.



Season Dates 2023/24

 Oct. 25 – Feb. 15
 Oct. 25 – Nov. 17
 Closed

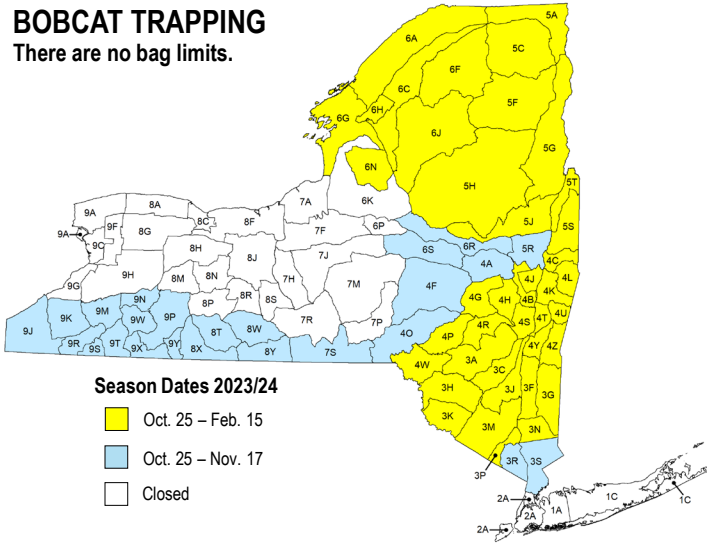
There are no bag limits for bobcat.

If you take a bobcat you must:

- Complete a furbearer possession tag, AND
- Get the pelt or unskinned animal sealed.

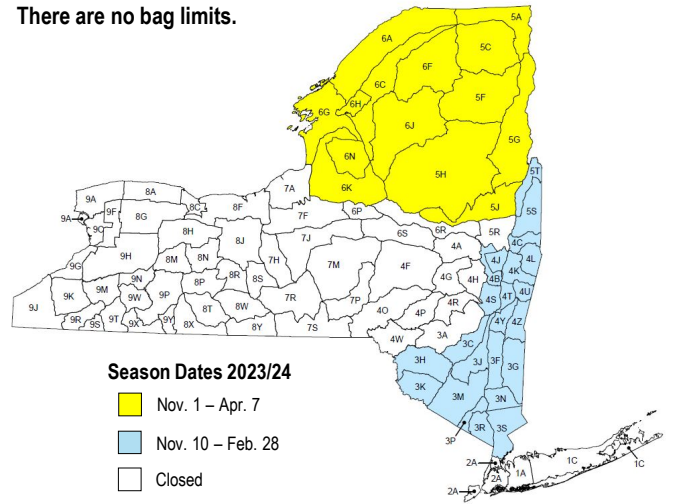
BOBCAT TRAPPING

There are no bag limits.



RIVER OTTER TRAPPING

There are no bag limits.

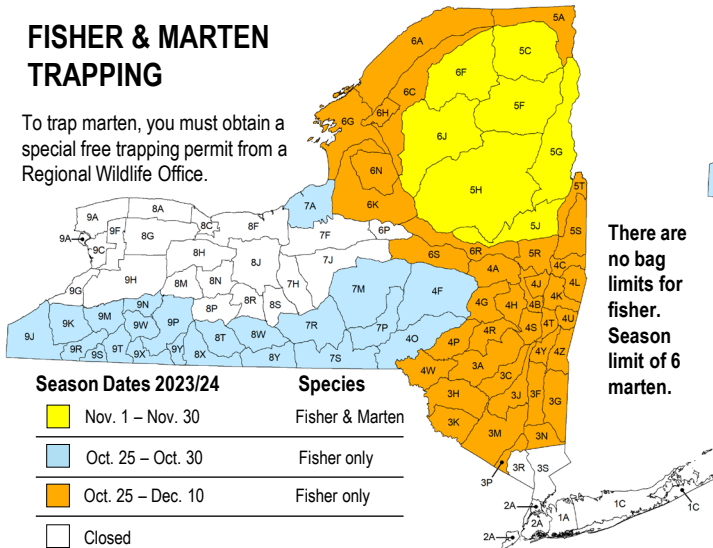


If you take a bobcat, otter, fisher, or marten, you must:

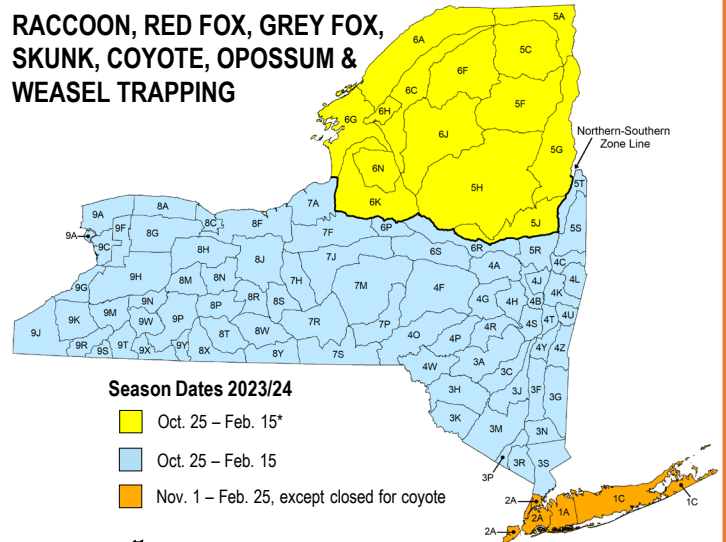
- Complete a furbearer possession tag, AND
- Get the pelt or unskinned animal sealed.

FISHER & MARTEN TRAPPING

To trap marten, you must obtain a special free trapping permit from a Regional Wildlife Office.



RACCOON, RED FOX, GREY FOX, SKUNK, COYOTE, OPOSSUM & WEASEL TRAPPING

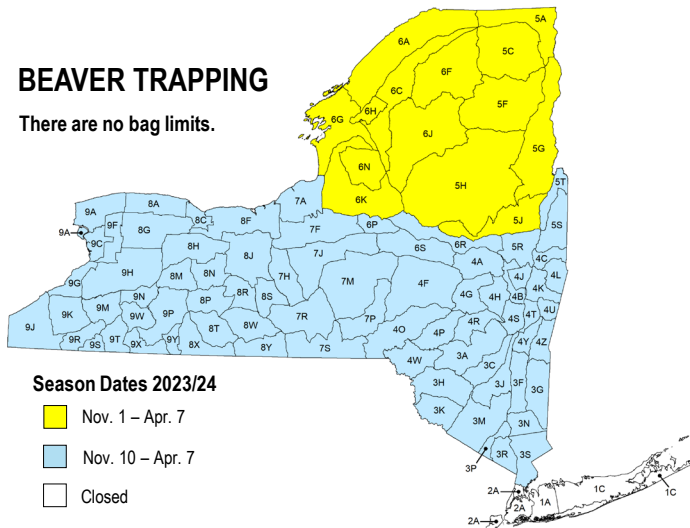


There are no bag limits for these species.

*In the Northern Zone, body-gripping traps set on land may not be set with bait or lure if the fisher and marten season is closed.

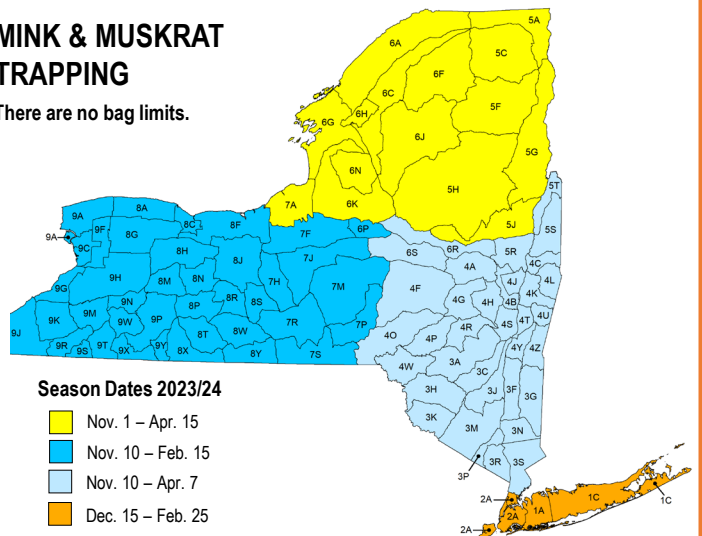
BEAVER TRAPPING

There are no bag limits.

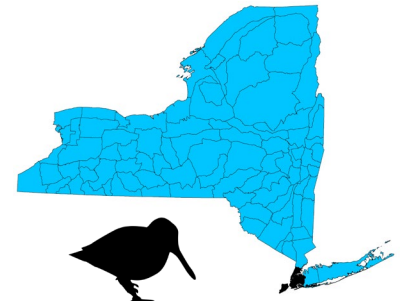
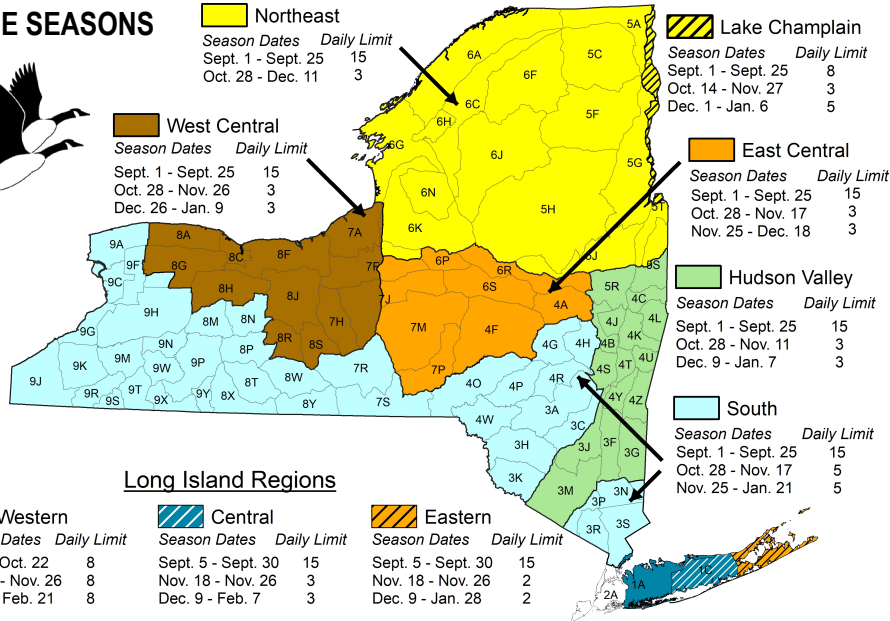


MINK & MUSKRAT TRAPPING

There are no bag limits.



2023-2024 CANADA GOOSE SEASONS



Region	Season Dates	Daily Limit
Lake Champlain	Sept. 1 - Sept. 25 Oct. 14 - Nov. 27 Dec. 1 - Jan. 6	8 3 5

WOODCOCK

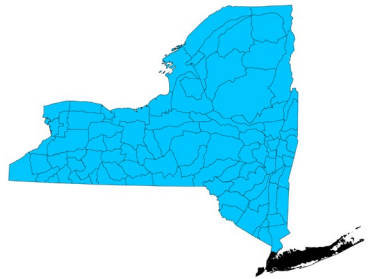
Oct. 1 - Nov. 14

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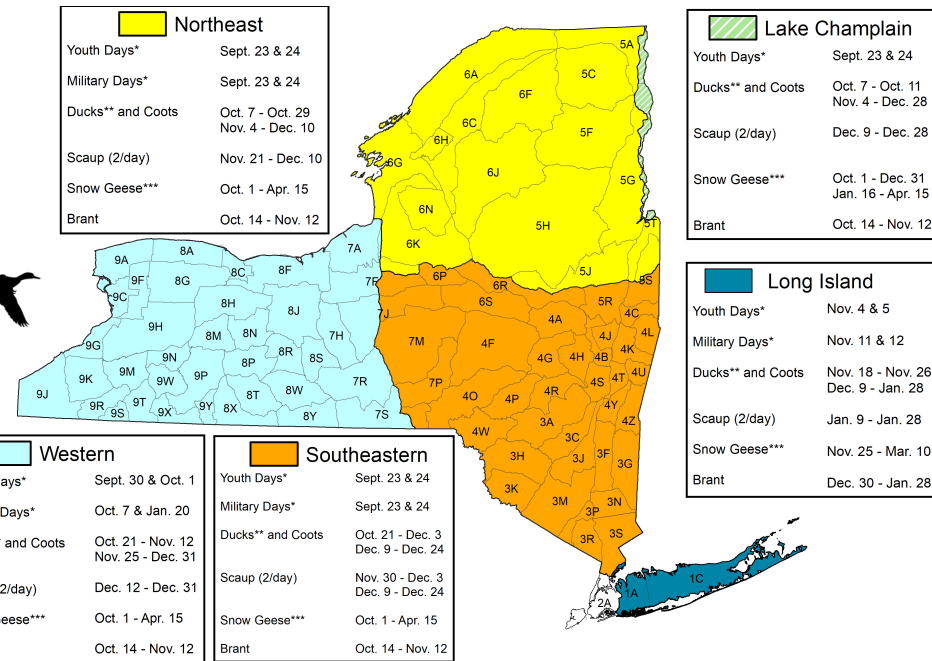
CROW

Sept. 1 - Mar. 31
(Fridays, Saturday, Sundays & Mondays Only)

Closed



2023-2024 WATERFOWL SEASONS



SNIPE, RAILS AND GALLINULES

Sept. 1 - Nov. 9

Closed

A migratory duck stamp is not required to hunt these three groups of birds.

HIP registration is required for each of these species except crow. To register: www.newyorkhip.org or 1-888-427-5447.



* Youth hunters, 12 to 15 years of age, possessing a junior hunting license and HIP registration, may hunt ducks, mergansers, Canada geese, brant, gallinules, and coot on two (2) special days in each zone. Daily bag limits are the same as those allowed during the regular hunting season for all species. Youth hunters must be accompanied by a licensed (including current HIP registration and duck stamp) adult hunter, and the mentor may not carry a firearm. This prohibition does not apply to other hunters in the party that are not mentoring the youth.

** Crippled sea ducks may be taken under power in the Special Sea Duck area, only. The Special Sea Duck Area is defined as the coastal waters of New York State and all waters of streams and rivers seaward from the first upstream bridge.

*** Snow goose seasons include both the regular hunting season and the Conservation Order that runs from January 16 - April 15 in all zones (except Long Island).

The daily bag limit is the maximum number of birds of each species that any person may take or possess in the field during any one day. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit for all migratory game birds except snow geese.

- The daily limit of 6 ducks includes all mergansers and sea ducks (scoters, eiders and long-tailed ducks) and may include no harlequin ducks and no more than 4 mallards (2 of which may be hens), 3 wood ducks, 2 black ducks, 1 pintail, 1 scaup (2 scaup are allowed during the 20 days specified above for each zone), 2 redheads, 2 canvasback, or 4 sea ducks (including no more than 3 scoters, 3 long-tailed ducks, or 3 eiders and no more than 1 female eider). For all other duck species, the daily limit is no more than 6.
- Cackling geese and white-fronted geese may be taken a part of the Canada goose daily and possession limits. Snow geese and Ross' geese may be taken as part of the snow goose limits.

Bag Limits

Species	Daily Limit	Possession Limit
Ducks ^a	6	18
Coot	15	45
Canada Geese ^b	See Map	3 times the daily limit
Snow Geese ^b	25	No Limit
Brant	1	3