DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

50 CFR Part 20 RIN 1018-AV12

Migratory Bird Hunting; Early Seasons and Bag and Possession Limits for Certain Migratory Game Birds in the Contiguous United States, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This rule prescribes the hunting seasons, hours, areas, and daily bag and possession limits of mourning, white-winged, and white-tipped doves; band-tailed pigeons; rails; moorhens and gallinules; woodcock; common snipe; sandhill cranes; sea ducks; early (September) waterfowl seasons; migratory game birds in Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands; and some extended falconry seasons. Taking of migratory birds is prohibited unless specifically provided for by annual regulations. This rule permits taking of designated species during the 2007-08 season.

DATES: This rule is effective on September 1, 2007.

ADDRESSES: You may inspect comments received on the migratory bird hunting regulations during normal business hours at the Service's office in room 4107, Arlington Square Building, 4501 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia. You may obtain copies of referenced reports from the address above or from the Division of Migratory Bird Management's Web site at http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/reports/reports.html.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulations Schedule for 2007

On April 11, 2007, we published in the **Federal Register** (72 FR 18328) 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, proposed regulatory alternatives for the 2007–08 duck hunting season, and other regulations for hunting migratory game birds under §§ 20.101 through 20.107, 20.109, and 20.110 of subpart K. Major

steps in the 2007-08 regulatory cycle relating to open public meetings and **Federal Register** notifications were also identified in the April 11 proposed rule. On June 8, 2007, we published in the Federal Register (72 FR 31789) a second document providing supplemental proposals for early- and late-season migratory bird hunting regulations and the regulatory alternatives for the 2007-08 duck hunting season. The June 8 supplement also provided detailed information on the 2007–08 regulatory schedule and announced the Service Migratory Bird Regulations Committee (SRC) and Flyway Council meetings.

On June 20 and 21, 2007, 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 2007-08 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 2007-08 regular waterfowl seasons. On July 23, 2007, we published in the Federal Register (72 FR 40194) a third document specifically dealing with the proposed frameworks for early-season regulations. On August 28, 2007, we published a fourth document in the Federal Register which contained final frameworks for early migratory bird hunting seasons from which wildlife conservation agency officials from the States, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands selected early-season hunting dates, hours, areas, and limits.

On August 1–2, 2007, we held open meetings with the Flyway Council Consultants at which the participants reviewed the status of waterfowl and developed recommendations for the 2007–08 regulations for these species. Proposed hunting regulations were discussed for late seasons. We published proposed frameworks for the 2007–08 late-season migratory bird hunting regulations in a late August 2007 Federal Register.

The final rule described here is the sixth in the series of proposed, supplemental, and final rulemaking documents for migratory game bird hunting regulations and deals specifically with amending subpart K of 50 CFR part 20. It sets hunting seasons, hours, areas, and limits for mourning,

white-winged, and white-tipped doves; band-tailed pigeons; rails; moorhens and gallinules; woodcock; common snipe; sandhill cranes; sea ducks; early (September) waterfowl seasons; mourning doves in Hawaii; migratory game birds in Alaska, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands; youth waterfowl hunting day; and some extended falconry seasons.

National Environmental Policy Act Consideration

NEPA considerations are covered by the programmatic document "Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement: Issuance of Annual Regulations Permitting the Sport Hunting of Migratory Birds (FSES 88-14)," filed with the Environmental Protection Agency on June 9, 1988. We published a notice of availability in the Federal Register on June 16, 1988 (53 FR 22582). We published our Record of Decision on August 18, 1988 (53 FR 31341). Annual NEPA considerations are covered under a separate Environmental Assessment (EA), "Duck Hunting Regulations for 2007-08," and an August 2007, Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI). Copies of the EA and FONSI are available upon request from the address indicated under ADDRESSES.

In a notice published in the September 8, 2005, Federal Register (70 FR 53376), we announced our intent to develop a new Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for the migratory bird hunting program. Public scoping meetings were held in the spring of 2006, as detailed in a March 9, 2006, Federal Register (71 FR 12216). A scoping report summarizing the scoping comments and scoping meetings is available either at the address indicated under ADDRESSES or on our Web site at http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds.

Endangered Species Act Consideration

Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543; 87 Stat. 884), provides that, "The Secretary shall review other programs administered by him and utilize such programs in furtherance of the purposes of this Act" (and) shall "insure that any action authorized, funded, or carried out * * * is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of any endangered species or threatened species or result in the destruction or adverse modification of [critical] habitat * * *. Consequently, we conducted formal consultations to ensure that actions resulting from these regulations would not likely jeopardize the continued existence of endangered or threatened

species or result in the destruction or adverse modification of their critical habitat. Findings from these consultations are included in a biological opinion, which concluded that the regulations are not likely to adversely affect any endangered or threatened species. Additionally, these findings may have caused modification of some regulatory measures previously proposed, and the final frameworks reflect any such modifications. Our biological opinions resulting from this Section 7 consultation are public documents available for public inspection at the address indicated under ADDRESSES.

Executive Order 12866

The migratory bird hunting regulations are economically significant and were reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under Executive Order 12866. As such, a cost/ benefit analysis was initially prepared in 1981. This analysis was subsequently revised annually from 1990-96, updated in 1998, and updated again in 2004. It is further discussed 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 million, with a mid-point estimate of \$899 million. Copies of the cost/benefit analysis are available upon request from the address indicated under ADDRESSES or from our Web site at http://

www.migratorybirds.gov. This year, due to limited data availability, we partially updated the 2004 analysis, but restricted our analysis to duck hunting. Results indicate that the total consumer surplus of the annual duck hunting frameworks is on the order of \$222 to \$360 million, with a mid-point estimate of \$291 million. We plan to perform a full update of the analysis in 2008. Copies of the updated analysis are available upon request from the address indicated under ADDRESSES or from our Web site at http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/ reports/SpecialTopics/ EconomicAnalysis-2007Update.pdf.

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 from the address indicated under ADDRESSES or from our Web site at http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds.

This year, due to limited data availability, we partially updated the 2004 analysis, but restricted our analysis to duck hunting. Results indicate that the duck hunters would spend between \$291 million and \$473.5 million at small businesses in 2007. We plan to perform a full update of the analysis in 2008 when the full results from the 2006 National Hunting and Fishing Survey is available. Copies of the updated analysis are available upon request from the address indicated under ADDRESSES or from our Web site at http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/ reports/SpecialTopics/ EconomicAnalysis-2007Update.pdf.

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 it 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. OMB has also approved the information collection requirements of the Sandhill Crane Harvest Survey and assigned clearance number 1018–0023 (expires 11/30/2007). The information from this survey is used to estimate the magnitude and the geographical and temporal distribution of the harvest, and the portion it constitutes of the total population.

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 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

In promulgating this rule, we have determined that it 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, 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

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. Thus, in accordance with the President's memorandum of April 29, 1994, "Government-to-Government Relations with Native American Tribal Governments" (59 FR 22951), Executive Order 13175, and 512 DM 2, we have evaluated possible effects on Federally recognized Indian tribes and have determined that there are no effects on Indian trust resources. However, in the April 11 proposed rule (72 FR 18328) we solicited proposals for special migratory bird hunting regulations for certain Tribes on Federal Indian reservations, off-reservation trust lands, and ceded lands for the 2007-08 migratory bird hunting season. The resulting proposals will be contained in a separate proposed rule. By virtue of these actions, we have consulted with all the Tribes affected by this rule.

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 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, therefore, 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: August 22, 2007.

Todd Willens,

Acting 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. 742 a–j, Pub. L. 106–108.

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-Note - The following annual hunting regulations provided for by §§20.101 through 20.106 and 20.109 of 50 CFR 20 will not appear in the Code of Federal Regulations because of their seasonal nature.

2. Section 20.101 is revised to read as follows:

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

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

Shooting and hawking hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset.

CHECK COMMONWEALTH REGULATIONS FOR AREA DESCRIPTIONS AND ANY ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS.

(a) Puerto Rico

		L	imits	
	Season Dates	Bag	Possession	
Doves and Pigeons				
Zenaida, white-winged,	0	4.5	15	
and mourning doves (1)	Sept. 1-Oct. 29	15	15	
Scaly-naped pigeons	Sept. 1-Oct. 29	5	5	
Ducks	Nov. 10-Dec. 17 &	6	12	
	Jan. 12-Jan. 28	6	12	
Common Moorhens	Nov. 10-Dec. 17 &	6	12	
Common Moomone	Jan. 12-Jan. 28	6	12	
Common Snipe	Nov. 10-Dec. 17 &	8	16	
·	Jan. 12-Jan. 28	8	16	

⁽¹⁾ Not more than 3 may be mourning doves.

Restrictions: In Puerto Rico, the season is closed on the ruddy duck, white-cheeked pintail, West Indian whistling duck, fulvous whistling duck, masked duck, purple gallinule, American coot, and Caribbean coot, white-crowned pigeon and plain pigeon.

Closed Areas: Closed areas are described in the July 23, 2007, Federal Register (72 FR 40194).

(b) Virgin Islands

		L	imits
	Season Dates	Bag	Possession
Zenaida doves	Sept. 1-Sept. 30	10	10
Ducks	CLOSED		

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

Closed Areas: Ruth Cay, just south of St. Croix, is closed to the hunting of migratory game birds.

3. Section 20.102 is revised to read as follows:

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

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

Shooting and hawking hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset. Area descriptions were published in the July 23, 2007, Federal Register (72 FR 40197).

CHECK STATE REGULATIONS FOR AREA DESCRIPTIONS AND ANY ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS.

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

		Daily Bag	and Posses	sion Limits	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Area	Ducks (1)	Dark Geese (2)(3)(4)	Light Geese (2)	Brant(2)	Common Snipe (Sandhill Cranes (5)
North Zone	10-30	4-8	4-8	2-4	8-16	3-6
Gulf Coast Zone	8-24	4-8	4-8	2-4	8-16	2-4
Southeast Zone	7-21	4-8	4-8	2-4	8-16	2-4
Pribilof and Aleutian Islands Zone	n 7-21	4-8	4-8	2-4	8-16	2-4
Kodiak Zone	7-21	4-8	4-8	2-4	8-16	2-4

- (1) The basic duck bag limits may include no more than 1 canvasback daily, 3 in possession, and may not include sea ducks. In addition to the basic duck limits, sea duck limits of 10 daily, 20 in possession, singly or in the aggregate, including no more than 6 each of either harlequin or long-tailed ducks, are allowed. Special sea duck limits will be available to non-residents, but at lower daily limits than residents, and they may take no more than a possession limit of 20 per season, including no more than 4 each of harlequin and long-tailed ducks, black, surf, and white-winged scoters, and king and common eiders. Sea ducks include scoters, common and king eiders, harlequin ducks, long-tailed ducks, and common and red-breasted mergansers. The season for Steller's and spectacled eiders is closed.
- (2) Dark geese include Canada and white-fronted geese. Light geese include snow geese and Ross' geese. Separate limits apply to brant. The season for emperor geese is closed Statewide.
- (3) In Units 5 and 6, the taking of Canada geese is only permitted from September 28 through December 16. In the Middleton Island portion of Unit 6, the taking of Canada geese is by special permit only, with a maximum of 10 permits and a daily bag and possession limit of 1. The season shall close if incidental harvest includes 5 dusky Canada geese.
- (4) In Units 9, 10, 17, and 18, dark goose limits are 6 per day, 12 in possession; however, no more than 2 may be Canada geese in Units 9(E) and 18; and no more than 4 may be Canada geese in Units 9(A-C), 10 (Unimak Island portion), and 17.
- (5) In Unit 17, the daily bag limit for sandhill cranes is 2 and the possession limit is 4.

Falconry: The total combined bag and possession limit for migratory game birds taken with the use of a falcon under a falconry permit is 3 per day, 6 in possession, and may not exceed a more restrictive limit for any species listed in this subsection.

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

4. Section 20.103 is revised to read as follows:

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

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

Shooting and hawking hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset except as otherwise noted. Area descriptions were published in the July 23, 2007, Federal Register (72 FR 40197).

CHECK STATE REGULATIONS FOR AREA DESCRIPTIONS AND ANY ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS.

(a) Doves

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

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Alabama (1)				
North Zone	0 . 15 .	4 -	. 45	
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 15 only	15	15	
½ hour before sunrise to sunset	Cant 16 Oat 7 9	15	1 E	
to sunset	Sept. 16-Oct. 7 & Oct. 27-Nov. 17 &	15	15 15	
	Dec. 15-Dec. 29	15	15	
South Zone	DCC. 10 DCC. 20	10	10	
12 noon to sunset	Oct. 6 only	12	12	
½ hour before sunrise	Oct. O only	12	12	
to sunset	Oct. 7-Nov. 4 &	12	12	
to surrect	Nov. 22-Nov. 25 &	12	. 12	
	Dec. 8-Jan. 12	12	12	
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Delaware	Sept. 1-Sept. 29 &	12	24	
	Oct. 16-Oct. 27 &	12	24	
	Dec. 15-Jan. 12	12	24	
Florida (1)				
12 noon to sunset	Oct. 6-Oct. 29	12	24	
½ hour before sunrise				
to sunset	Nov. 10-Nov. 25 &	12	24	
	Dec. 8-Jan. 6	12	24	
Georgia				
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 1 & Oct. 6	12	24	
½ hour before sunrise	0 . 0 0 . 45 0	10	0.4	
to sunset	Sept. 2-Sept. 15 &	12	24	
	Oct. 7-Oct. 15 & Nov. 22-Jan. 5	12	24	
Illinois	Nov. 22-Jan. 5	12	24	
sunrise to sunset	Sept. 1-Oct. 21 &	15	30	
sumse to sunset	Nov. 3-Nov. 11	15	30	
	1407. 5 1407. 11	13	30	
Indiana	Sept. 1-Oct. 13 &	15	30	
	Nov. 9-Nov. 25	15	30	
Kentucky (1)				
11 a.m. to sunset	Sept. 1 only	15	30	
½ hour before sunrise				
to sunset	Sept. 2-Oct. 24 &	15	30	
	Nov. 22-Nov. 27	15	30	
Louisiana (1)				
North Zone	0 . 4 .			
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 1 only	12	24	
½ hour before sunrise	Comt 0 C 40 0	4.0	0.4	
to sunset	Sept. 2-Sept. 16 &	12	24	
	Oct. 13-Nov. 11 & Dec. 15-Jan. 7	12	24	
	Dec. 15-Jan. /	12	24	

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	Season Dates	Bag	Possession	
Louisiana (cont.)				
South Zone 12 noon to sunset	Cont 1 only			
½ hour before sunris	Sept. 1 only			
to sunset	Sept. 2-Sept. 9 &	12·	24	
to sunset	Oct. 13-Nov. 25 &	12	24	
	Dec. 22-Jan. 7	12	24	
<u>Maryland</u>				
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 1-Oct. 13	12	24	
½ hour before sunrise	Nov. 10 Nov. 22 9	1.0	2.4	
to sunset	Nov. 10-Nov. 23 & Dec. 22-Jan. 3	12 12	24 24	
	Dec. 22-Jan. 3	12	24	
Mississippi (1)				
North Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 23 &	12	24	
	Oct. 6-Oct. 27 &	12	24	
	Dec. 22-Jan. 15	12	24	
South Zone	Sept. 22-Oct. 14 &	12	24	
	Nov. 10-Dec. 1 &	12	24	
	Dec. 22-Jan. 15	12	24	
North Carolina				
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 1-Sept. 8	12	24	
½ hour before sunrise				
to sunset	Sept. 9-Oct. 6 &	12	24	
	Nov. 19-Nov. 24 &	12	24	
	Dec. 17-Jan. 12	12	24	
<u>Ohio</u>	Sept. 1-Oct. 14 &	15	30	
Onio	Nov. 10-Nov. 25	15	30	
	1400. 10 1400. 23	13	30	
<u>Pennsylvania</u>				
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 1-Sept. 29 &	12	24	
½ hour before sunrise				
to sunset	Oct. 20-Nov. 24 &	12	24	
	Dec. 26-Dec. 29	12	24	
Rhode Island				
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 22-Oct. 7	12	24	
½ hour before sunrise				
to sunset	Oct. 20-Nov. 18 &	12	24	
	Dec. 26-Jan. 10	12	24	
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South Carolina	0.000 1.000 1.00		0.4	
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 1-Sept. 3	12	24	
½ hour before sunrise to sunset	Sept. 4-Oct.6 &	12	24	
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	Dec. 21-Jan. 15	12	24	
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	Season Dates	Bag	Possession	
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½ hour before sunrise	Sept. 1 omy	13	30	
to sunset	Sept. 2-Sept. 26 &	15	30	
	Oct. 6-Oct. 21 &	15	30	
	Dec. 15-Jan. 1	15	30	
Virginia				
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 1-Sept. 29	12	24	
½ hour before sunrise				
to sunset	Oct. 5-Oct. 27 &	12	24	
	Dec. 26-Jan. 12	12	24	
West Virginia				
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 1 only	12	24	
½ hour before sunrise	·			
to sunset	Sept. 2-Oct. 6 &	12	24	
	Oct. 22-Nov. 3 &	12	24	
	Dec. 17-Jan. 5	12	24	
Wisconsin	Sept. 1-Oct. 30	15	30	
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<u>Arkansas</u>	Sept. 1-Sept. 23 &	15	30	
	Oct. 6-Oct. 21 &	15	30	
	Dec. 15-Jan. 4	15	30	
Colorado (1)	Sept. 1-Oct. 30	15	30	
Kansas (1)	Sept. 1-Oct. 14 &	15	30	
<u>rtariodo</u> (1)	Nov. 1-Nov. 16	15	30	
Minnesota	Sept. 1-Oct. 30	15	30	
Missouri (1)	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	12	24	
Montana	Sept. 1-Oct. 30	15	30	
Nebraska (1)	Sept. 1-Oct. 30	15	30	
New Mexico (1)				
North Zone	Sept. 1-Oct. 30	15	30	
South Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 30 &	15	30	
	Dec. 1-Dec. 30	15	30	
North Dakota	Sept. 1-Oct. 28	15	30	
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	Season Dates	Bag	Possession	
Oklahoma (1)				
North Zone	Sept. 1-Oct. 30	15	30	
Southwest Zone	Sept. 1-Oct. 30 &	12	24	
	Dec. 26-Jan. 4	12	24	
South Dakota	Sept. 1-Oct. 30	15	30	
<u>Texas</u> (2)				
North Zone	Sept. 1-Oct. 30	15	30	
Central Zone	Sept. 1-Oct. 30 &	12	24	
South Zone	Dec. 26-Jan. 4	12	24	
Special Area	Sept. 21-Nov. 11 &	12	24	
- p	Dec. 26-Jan. 8	12	24	
(Special Season)				
12 noon to sunset	Sept. 1-Sept. 2 &	12	24	
	Sept. 8-Sept. 9	12	24	
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South Zone	Sept. 21-Nov. 11 & Dec. 26-Jan. 12	12 12	24 24	
	Dec. 20-Jan. 12	12	24	
Wyoming	Sept. 1-Oct. 30	15	30	
WESTERN MANAGEMENT U	<u>JNIT</u>			
Arizona (3)	Sept. 1-Sept. 15 &	10	20	
<u> </u>	Nov. 23-Jan. 6	10	20	
California (4)	Sept. 1-Sept. 15 &	10	20	
	Nov. 10-Dec. 24	10	20	
<u>ldaho</u>	Sept. 1-Sept. 30	10	20	
Nevada (4)	Sept. 1-Sept. 30	10	20	
Oregon	Sept. 1-Sept. 30	10	20	
<u>Utah</u> (4)	Sept. 1-Sept. 30	10	20	
Washington	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	10	20	
OTHER POPULATIONS				
11 " (E)	N 0 N 05 6			
<u>Hawaii</u> (5)	Nov. 3-Nov. 25 &	10	10	
	Dec. 1-Dec. 23 & Jan. 5-Jan. 21	10 10	10 10	
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- (1) The daily bag limit is for mourning and white-winged doves in the aggregate.
- (2) In <u>Texas</u>, the daily bag limit is either 15 mourning, white-winged, and white-tipped doves in the aggregate, of which no more than 2 may be white-tipped doves with a maximum 60-day season or 12 mourning, white-winged, and white-tipped doves in the aggregate, of which no more than 2 may be white-tipped doves with a maximum 70-day season. Possession limits are twice the daily bag limit. During the special season in the Special White-winged Dove Area of the South Zone, the daily bag limit is 12 mourning, white-winged, and white-tipped doves in the aggregate, of which no more than 4 may be mourning doves and 2 may be white-tipped doves. Possession limits are twice the daily bag limit.
- (3) In Arizona, during September 1 through 15, the daily bag limit is 10 mourning and white-winged doves in the aggregate, of which no more than 6 may be white-winged doves. During November 23 through January 6, the daily bag limit is 10 mourning doves. The possession limit is twice the daily bag limit. See State regulations for restrictive shooting hours in certain areas.
- (4) In <u>Utah</u> and the areas of <u>California</u> and <u>Nevada</u> open to white-winged dove hunting, the daily bag limit is 10 and the possession limit is 20 mourning and white-winged doves in the aggregate.
- (5) In <u>Hawaii</u>, the season is only open on the island of Hawaii. The daily bag and possession limits are 10 mourning doves, spotted doves and chestnut-bellied sandgrouse in the aggregate. Shooting hours are from one-half hour before sunrise through one-half hour after sunset. Hunting is permitted only on weekends and State holidays.

(b) Band-tailed Pigeons

	Limits		imits
	Season Dates	Bag	Possession
Arizona			
Units 12A, 12B, 13A,	Sept. 14-Oct. 7	5	10
& 13B	·		
Rest of State	Sept. 21-Oct. 7	5	10
Colifornia			
California North Zone	Sept. 15-Sept. 23	2	4
South Zone	Dec. 15-Dec. 23	2	4
Colorado	Sept. 1-Sept. 30	5	10
New Mexico (1)			
North Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 20	5	10
South Zone	Oct. 1-Oct. 20	5	10
<u>Oregon</u>	Sept. 15-Sept. 23	2	4
Utah (2)	Sept. 1-Sept. 30	5	10
Otali (2)	30pt. 1 30pt. 30	3	10
Washington	Sept. 15-Sept. 23	2	4

- (1) In <u>New Mexico</u>, each band-tailed pigeon hunter must have a band-tailed pigeon hunting permit issued by the State.
- (2) In <u>Utah</u>, each band-tailed pigeon hunter must have either a band-tailed pigeon hunting permit or a special bird permit stamp issued by the respective State.

5. Section 20.104 is revised 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 noted. Area descriptions were published in the July 23, 2007, Federal Register (72 FR 40197).

CHECK STATE REGULATIONS FOR AREA DESCRIPTIONS AND ANY ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS.

<u>Note</u>: States with deferred seasons may select those seasons at the same time they select waterfowl seasons in August. Consult late-season regulations for further information.

	Sora and Virginia Rails	Clapper and King Rails	Woodcock	Common Snipe
Daily bag limit	25 (1)	15 (2)	3	8
Possession limit	25 (1)	30 (2)	6	16
ATLANTIC FLYWA	Y Y			
Connecticut (3)	Sept. 4-Nov. 10	Sept. 4-Nov. 10	Oct. 26-Nov. 24	Oct. 26-Nov. 24
<u>Delaware</u>	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Nov. 19-Dec. 8 &	Nov. 19-Dec.8 &
			Dec. 20-Dec. 29	Dec. 20-Dec. 29
<u>Florida</u>	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Dec. 15-Jan. 13	Nov. 1-Feb. 15
Georgia	Sept. 22-Nov. 1 & Nov. 17-Dec. 15	Sept. 22-Nov. 1 & Nov. 17-Dec. 15	Dec. 15-Jan. 13	Nov. 15-Feb. 28
<u>Maine</u>	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Closed	Deferred	Sept. 1-Dec. 15
<u>Maryland</u>	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Nov. 2-Nov. 23 & Jan. 12-Jan. 19	Sept. 26-Nov. 23 & Dec. 10-Jan. 26
Massachusetts (4)	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Closed	Deferred	Sept. 1-Dec. 15
New Hampshire	Closed	Closed	Oct. 6-Nov. 4	Sept. 15-Nov. 4
New Jersey (5) North Zone	Sept. 1-Nov. 8	Sept. 1-Nov. 8	Oct. 18-Nov. 10	Sept. 15-Dec. 29
South Zone	Sept. 1-Nov. 8	Sept. 1-Nov. 8	Nov. 10-Nov. 24 & Dec. 21-Dec. 29	Sept. 15-Dec. 29

	Sora and Virginia Rails	Clapper and King Rails	Woodcock	Common Snipe
New York (6)	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 6-Nov. 4	Sept. 1-Nov. 9
North Carolina	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Dec. 14-Jan. 12	Nov. 14-Feb. 28
Pennsylvania(1)(7)) Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 13-Nov. 10	Oct. 13-Nov. 24
Rhode Island (8)	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Nov. 1-Nov. 30	Sept. 1-Nov. 9
South Carolina	Sept. 26-Oct. 1 & Oct. 24-Dec. 26	Sept. 26-Oct. 1 & Oct. 24-Dec. 26	Jan. 2-Jan. 31	Nov. 14-Feb. 28
Vermont	Closed	Closed	Deferred	Deferred
<u>Virginia</u>	Sept. 10-Nov. 17	Sept. 10-Nov. 17	Oct. 27-Nov. 10 & Dec. 22-Jan. 5	Oct. 4-Oct. 8 & Oct. 22-Jan. 31
West Virginia	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 19-Nov. 17	Sept. 1-Dec. 15
MISSISSIPPI FLYV	VAY			
Alabama (9)	Nov. 23-Jan. 27	Nov. 23-Jan. 27	Dec. 18-Jan. 31	Nov. 14-Feb. 28
<u>Arkansas</u>	Sept. 15-Nov. 23	Closed	Nov. 10-Dec. 24	Nov. 1-Feb. 15
Illinois (10)	Sept. 8-Nov. 16	Closed	Oct. 20-Dec. 3	Sept. 8-Dec. 23
Indiana (11)	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 6-Nov. 19	Sept. 1-Dec. 16
<u>lowa</u> (12)	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 6-Nov. 19	Sept. 1-Nov. 30
<u>Kentucky</u>	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 20-Dec. 3	Sept. 19-Nov. 4 & Nov. 22-Jan. 20
Louisiana (13)	Sept. 15-Sept. 30	Sept. 15-Sept. 30	Dec. 18-Jan. 31	Deferred
Michigan (14)	Sept. 15-Nov. 14	Closed	Sept. 22-Nov. 5	Sept. 15-Nov. 14
<u>Minnesota</u>	Sept. 1-Nov. 4	Closed	Sept. 22-Nov. 5	Sept. 1-Nov. 4
Mississippi	Oct. 6-Dec. 14	Oct. 6-Dec. 14	Dec. 15-Jan. 28	Nov. 10-Feb. 24
<u>Missouri</u>	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 15-Nov. 28	Sept. 1-Dec. 16
<u>Ohio</u>	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 12-Nov. 25	Sept. 1-Nov. 25 & Dec. 8-Dec. 28
Tennessee	Deferred	Closed	Oct. 27-Dec. 10	Nov. 14-Feb. 28
Wisconsin	Deferred	Closed	Sept. 22-Nov. 5	Deferred

	Sora and Virginia Rails	Clapper and King Rails	Woodcock	Common Snipe
CENTRAL FLYWA	<u>\Y</u>			
Colorado	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Closed	Closed	Sept. 1-Dec. 16
<u>Kansas</u>	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Closed	Oct. 13-Nov. 26	Sept. 1-Dec. 16
<u>Montana</u>	Closed	Closed	Closed	Sept. 1-Dec. 16
Nebraska (15)	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Closed	Sept. 22-Nov. 5	Sept. 1-Dec. 16
New Mexico (15)	Sept. 15-Nov. 23	Closed	Closed	Oct. 6-Jan. 20
North Dakota	Closed	Closed	Sept. 22-Nov. 4	Sept. 15-Nov. 25
<u>Oklahoma</u>	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Closed	Nov. 1-Dec. 15	Oct. 1-Jan. 15
South Dakota (16) Closed	Closed	Closed	Sept. 1-Oct. 31
<u>Texas</u>	Sept. 15-Sept. 30 & Nov. 3-Dec. 26	Sept. 15-Sept. 30 & Nov. 3-Dec. 26	Dec. 18-Jan. 31	Nov. 3-Feb. 17
Wyoming	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Closed	Closed	Sept. 1-Dec. 16
PACIFIC FLYWAY				
<u>Arizona</u>	Closed	Closed	Closed	Deferred
California	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 20-Feb. 3
Colorado	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Closed	Closed	Sept. 1-Dec. 16
<u>ldaho</u> : Area 1 Area 2	Closed Closed	Closed Closed	Closed Closed	Deferred Deferred
<u>Montana</u>	Closed	Closed	Closed	Sept. 1-Dec. 16
<u>Nevada</u>	Closed	Closed	Closed	Deferred
New Mexico (15)	Sept. 15-Nov. 23	Closed	Closed	Oct. 6-Jan. 20
Oregon	Closed	Closed	Closed	Deferred
<u>Utah</u>	Closed	Closed	Closed	Oct. 6-Jan. 19
Washington	Closed	Closed	Closed	Deferred
Wyoming	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	Closed	Closed	Sept. 1-Dec. 16

- (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.
- (3) In <u>Connecticut</u>, the daily bag and possession limits may not contain more than 1 king rail. The common snipe daily bag and possession limits are 3 and 6, respectively.
- (4) In <u>Massachusetts</u>, the sora rail limits are 5 daily and 5 in possession; the Virginia rail limits are 10 daily and 10 in possession.
- (5) In New Jersey, the season for king rails is closed by State regulation.
- (6) In New York, the rail daily bag and possession limits are 8 and 16, respectively. Seasons for sora and Virginia rails and common snipe are closed on Long Island.
- (7) In Pennsylvania, the daily bag and possession limits for rails are 3 and 6, respectively.
- (8) In <u>Rhode Island</u>, the sora and Virginia rails limits are 1 daily and 2 in possession, singly or in the aggregate; the clapper and king rail limits are 1 daily and 2 in possession, singly or in the aggregate; the common snipe limits are 5 daily and 10 in possession.
- (9) In Alabama, the rail limits are 15 daily and 15 in possession, singly or in the aggregate.
- (10) In <u>Illinois</u>, shooting hours are from sunrise to sunset.
- (11) In Indiana, the sora rail limits are 25 daily and 25 in possession. The season on Virginia rails is closed.
- (12) In lowa, the limits for sora and Virginia rails are 12 daily and 24 in possession.
- (13) In <u>Louisiana</u>, additional days occurring after September 30 will be published with the late season selections.
- (14) In Michigan, the aggregate limits for sora and Virginia rails are 8 daily and 16 in possession.
- (15) In Nebraska and New Mexico, the rail limits are 10 daily and 20 in possession.
- (16) In South Dakota, the snipe limits are 5 daily and 15 in possession.
- 6. Section 20.105 is amended by revising paragraphs (a) through (f) to read as follows:

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

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

Shooting and hawking hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset, except as otherwise noted. Area descriptions were published in the July 23, 2007, Federal Register (72 FR 40197).

CHECK STATE REGULATIONS FOR AREA DESCRIPTIONS AND ANY ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS.

<u>Note:</u> States with deferred seasons may select those seasons at the same time they select waterfowl seasons in August. Consult late-seasons regulations for further information.

(a) Common Moorhens and Purple Gallinules

			Limits	
	Season Dates	Bag	Possession	
ATLANTIC FLYWAY				
<u>Delaware</u>	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	15	30	
Florida (1)	Sept. 1-Nov.9	15	30	
Georgia	Deferred		_	
New Jersey	Sept. 1-Nov. 8	10	20	
New York				
Long Island Remainder of State	Closed Sept. 1-Nov. 9	 8	_ 16	
North Carolina	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	15	30	
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<u>Pennsylvania</u>	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	3	6	
South Carolina	Sept. 26-Oct. 1 & Oct. 24-Dec. 26	15 15	30 30	
Virginia	Deferred		-	
West Virginia	Deferred		_	
MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY				
<u>Alabama</u>	Nov. 23-Jan. 27	15	15	
Arkansas	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	15	30	
Kentucky	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	15	30	
Louisiana (2)	Sept. 15-Sept. 30	15	30	
Michigan	Deferred			
Minnesota	Deferred			
Mississippi	Oct. 6-Dec. 14	15	30	
<u>Ohio</u>	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	15	30	
Tennessee	Deferred			
Wisconsin	Deferred		_	

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	Season Dates	Bag	Possession
CENTRAL FLYWAY			
New Mexico Zone 1	Oct. 6-Dec. 14	1	2
Zone 2	Oct. 6-Dec. 14	1	2
<u>Oklahoma</u>	Sept. 1-Nov. 9	15	30
<u>Texas</u>	Sept. 15-Sept. 30 & Nov. 3-Dec. 26	15 15	30 30
Wyoming	Deferred		-
PACIFIC FLYWAY			
All States	Deferred		-

⁽¹⁾ The season applies to common moorhens only.

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

Within the special sea duck areas, the daily bag limit is 7 scoter, eider, and oldsquaw ducks, singly or in the aggregate, 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.

		L	imits	
	Season Dates	Bag	Possession	
Connecticut (1)	Sept. 19-Jan. 19	5	10	
<u>Delaware</u>	Sept. 25-Jan. 26	7	14	
Georgia	Deferred			
<u>Maine</u>	Deferred		-	
Maryland	Deferred			
<u>Massachusetts</u>	Deferred			
New Hampshire (2)	Oct. 1-Jan. 15	7	14	
New Jersey	Sept. 25-Jan. 26	7	14	

⁽²⁾ Additional days occurring after September 30 will be published with the late season selections.

		L	imits
	Season Dates	Bag	Possession
New York	Oct. 13-Jan. 27	7	14
North Carolina	Deferred	·	-
Rhode Island	Oct. 6-Jan. 20	7	14
South Carolina	Deferred		
<u>Virginia</u>	Deferred		-

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

- (1) In Connecticut, the daily bag limit may include no more than 4 scoters or 4 oldsquaws.
- (2) In New Hampshire, the daily bag limit may include no more than 4 scoters, 4 eiders, or 4 oldsquaws.

(c) Early (September) Duck Seasons.

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

		Li	mits
	Season Dates	Bag	Possession
ATLANTIC FLYWAY			
Delaware (1)(2)	Sept. 20-Sept. 29	4	8
Florida (3)	Sept. 22-Sept. 26	4	8
<u>Georgia</u>	Sept. 15-Sept. 23	4	8
Maryland (1)	Sept. 20-Sept. 29	4	8
North Carolina (1)	Sept. 13-Sept. 22	4	8
South Carolina (4)	Sept. 21-Sept. 29	4	8
<u>Virginia</u> (1)	Sept. 17-Sept. 26	4	8
MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY			
Alabama	Sept. 8-Sept. 23	4	8
<u>Arkansas</u> (4)	Sept. 15-Sept. 30	4	8

			Limits
	Season Dates	Bag	Possession
Illinois (4)	Sept. 8-Sept. 23	4	8
Indiana (4)	Sept. 1-Sept. 16	4	8
lowa (5) North Zone South Zone	Sept. 22-Sept. 26 Sept. 22-Sept. 26	 	
Kentucky (3)	Sept. 19-Sept. 23	4	8
<u>Louisiana</u>	Sept. 15-Sept. 30	4	8
<u>Mississippi</u>	Sept. 15-Sept. 30	4	8
<u>Missouri</u> (4)	Sept. 8-Sept. 23	4	8
Ohio (4)	Sept. 1-Sept. 16	4	8
Tennessee (3)	Sept. 8-Sept. 12	4	8
CENTRAL FLYWAY			
Colorado (1)	Sept. 8-Sept. 16	4	8
<u>Kansas</u> Low Plains High Plains	Sept. 8-Sept. 23 Sept. 15-Sept. 22	4 4	8 8
<u>Nebraska</u> (1) Low Plains High Plains	Sept. 8-Sept. 23 Sept. 8-Sept. 16	4 4	8 8
New Mexico	Sept. 15-Sept. 23	4	8
Oklahoma	Sept. 15-Sept. 30	4	8
<u>Texas</u> High Plains Rest of State	Sept. 15-Sept. 23 Sept. 15-Sept. 30	4 4	8 8

⁽¹⁾ Area restrictions. See State regulations.

⁽²⁾ In <u>Delaware</u>, the shooting hours are from ½ hour before sunrise to 10:00 a.m.

⁽³⁾ In <u>Florida</u>, <u>Kentucky</u>, and <u>Tennessee</u>, the daily bag limit is 4 wood ducks and teal in the aggregate, of which no more than 2 may be wood ducks. The possession limit is twice the daily bag limit.

⁽⁴⁾ Shooting hours are from sunrise to sunset.

⁽⁵⁾ In <u>lowa</u>, the September season is part of the regular season, and limits will conform to those set for the regular season.

(d) Special Early Canada Goose Seasons.

	Limits			
	Season Dates	Bag	Possession	
ATLANTIC FLYWAY				
Connecticut	Cant 4 Cant 20	15	30	
North Zone South Zone	Sept. 4-Sept. 29 Sept. 15-Sept. 29	15	30	
South Zone	Зерг. 13-Зерг. 29	13	30	
<u>Delaware</u> (1)	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	15	30	
Florida (2)	Sept. 1-Sept. 26	5	10	
<u>Georgia</u>	Sept. 1-Sept. 30	5	10	
Maine				
Northern Zone	Sept. 4-Sept. 25	6	12	
Southern Zone	Sept. 4-Sept. 25	8	16	
Maryland (1)/2)				
Maryland (1)(3) Eastern Unit	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	8	16	
Western Unit	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	8	16	
Massachusetts (4)				
Central Zone	Sept. 4-Sept. 25	5	10	
Coastal Zone	Sept. 4-Sept. 25	5	10	
Western Zone	Sept. 4-Sept. 25	5	10	
New Hampshire	Sept. 4-Sept. 25	5	10	
New Jersey (1)(3)(5)	Sept. 1-Sept. 29	15	30	
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New York Lake Champlain Zone	Sept. 4-Sept. 25	5	10	
Northeastern Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 25	8	16	
Western Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 25	8	16	
Southeastern Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 25	8	16	
Long Island Zone	Sept. 4-Sept. 30	8	16	
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North Carolina (6)(7)	Sept. 1-Sept. 30	8	16	
<u>Pennsylvania</u>				
Pymatuning Zone (8)	Sept. 1-Sept. 25	8	16	
Rest of State (1)(9)	Sept. 1-Sept. 25	8	16	
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Rhode Island	Sept. 1-Sept. 30	15	30	
South Carolina	Cont 1 Cont 20	1 =	20	
Early-Season Hunt Unit	Sept. 1-Sept. 30	15	30	

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	Season Dates	Bag	mits Possession	
Vermont				
Lake Champlain Zone (10)	Sept. 4-Sept. 25	5	10	
Interior Vermont Zone	Sept. 4-Sept. 25	5	10	
Connecticut River Zone (11)	Sept. 4-Sept. 25	5	10	
Virginia (12)	Sept. 1-Sept. 25	5	10	
West Virginia	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	5	10	
MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY				
Alabama	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	5	10	
<u>Arkansas</u>	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	5	10	
Illinois				
Northeast Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	5	10	
North Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	2	4	
Central Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	2	4	
South Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	2	4	
<u>Indiana</u>	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	5	10	
lowa				
South Goose Zone				
Des Moines Goose Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	5	10	
Cedar Rapids/Iowa City	, ,			
Goose Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	5	10	
Remainder of South Zone	Sept. 8-Sept. 9	2	4	
North Goose Zone	Sept. 8-Sept. 9	2	4	
Kentucky (13)	Sept. 1-Sept. 9	2	4	
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<u>Michigan</u>			•	
Upper Peninsula	Sept. 1-Sept. 10	3	6	
Lower Peninsula:				
Huron, Saginaw, and	0 . 10 . 10		0	
Tuscola Counties	Sept. 1-Sept. 10	3	6	
Remainder	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	3	6	
<u>Minnesota</u>				
Twin Cities Metro Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 22	5	10	
Southeast Goose Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 22	2	4	
Five Goose Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 22	5	10	
Northwest Goose Zone	Sept. 1-Sept. 22	5	10	
Mississippi (14)(15)	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	5	10	
<u>Ohio</u> (13)	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	3	6	

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	Season Dates	Bag	Possession	
<u>Tennessee</u>	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	5	10	
Wisconsin	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	5	10	
CENTRAL FLYWAY				
Nebraska (13) Sept. Canada Goose Unit	Sept. 8-Sept. 16	5	10	
North Dakota	Sept. 1-Sept. 15	5	10	
<u>Oklahoma</u>	Sept. 1-Sept. 10	3	6	
South Dakota (13)	Sept. 8-Sept. 28	.5	10	
PACIFIC FLYWAY				
Colorado:	Sept. 1-Sept. 9	3	6	
Oregon: Northwest Zone Southwest Zone (16) East Zone (16)	Sept. 8-Sept. 16 Sept. 8-Sept. 13 Sept. 8-Sept. 13	5 5 5	10 10 10	
Washington: Mgmt. Area 2B Mgmt. Areas 1 & 3 Mgmt. Area 4 & 5 Mgmt. Area 2A	Sept. 1-Sept. 15 Sept. 8-Sept. 13 Sept. 8-Sept. 9 Sept. 8-Sept. 13	5 5 3 3	10 10 6 6	
Wyoming	Sept. 1-Sept. 8	2	4	

- (1) Shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.
- (2) In <u>Florida</u>, the September Canada goose season is only open in the Florida waters of Lake Seminole in Jackson County that are south of State Route 2, north of the Jim Woodruff Dam, and east of State Route 2.
- (3) The use of shotguns capable of holding more than 3 shotshells is allowed.
- (4) State permit required.
- (5) The use of electronic calls is allowed.
- (6) In North Carolina, in the area of Dare County that includes Roanoke Island, 1,000 yards around Roanoke Island, and 1,000 yards both north and south of Highway 64 causeway between Roanoke Island and Bodie Island, the daily bag and possession limits are 2 and 4, respectively.
- (7) In North Carolina, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset in that area west of U.S. Highway 17 only.
- (8) In <u>Pennsylvania</u>, in the Pymatuning Zone, geese may only be taken on Pymatuning State Park Reservoir and an area to extend 100 yards inland from the shoreline of the reservoir, excluding the area east of SR 3011 (Hartstown Road). The remainder of the Zone is closed.

- (9) In Pennsylvania, in the area of Lancaster and Lebanon Counties north of the Pennsylvania Turnpike, east of SR 501 to SR 419, south of SR 419 to the Lebanon-Berks County line, west of the Lebanon-Berks County line and the Lancaster-Berks County line to SR 1053, west of SR 1053 to the Pennsylvania Turnpike, the daily bag limit is 1 goose with a possession limit of 2 geese. On State Game Lands No. 46 (Middle Creek Wildlife Mgmt Area), the season is closed.
- (10) In <u>Vermont</u>, in Addison County north of Route 125, the daily bag and possession limit is 2 and 4, respectively.
- (11) In <u>Vermont</u>, the Connecticut River Zone set by New Hampshire, is the same as the New Hampshire Inland Zone.
- (12) In <u>Virginia</u>, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset from September 1 to September 15, and one-half hour before sunrise to sunset from September 16 to September 25.
- (13) See State regulations for additional information and restrictions.
- (14) In Mississippi, the season is closed on Roebuck Lake in Leflore County.
- (15) In <u>Mississippi</u>, shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset from September 1 to September 14, and one-half hour before sunrise to sunset on September 15.
- (16) In Oregon, the season is closed in the Southcoast Zone and the Klamath County Zone.

(e) Regular Goose Seasons.

Note: Bag and possession limits will conform to those set for the regular season.

	Season Dates
MICCICCIPPI ELVIMAN	
MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY	
Michigan (1)	
Canada:	
MVP Zone	
Upper Peninsula	Sept. 18-Nov. 1
Lower Peninsula	Deferred
SJBP Zone	Deferred
White-fronted and Brant	Deferred
Light geese	Deferred
Wisconsin	
Horicon Zone	Sept. 16-Sept. 30
Collins Zone	Sept. 16-Sept. 30
Exterior Zone	Sept. 16-Sept. 30

(1) In <u>Michigan</u>, season dates for the Muskegon Wastewater, Saginaw County, Allegan County, and Tuscola/Huron Goose Management Units in the South Zone will be established in the late-season regulatory process.

(f) Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days

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 cannot duck hunt but may participate in other open seasons.

Definitions

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

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 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).

Note: Bag and possession limits will conform to those set for the regular season.

	Season Dates
ATLANTIC FLYWAY	
Connecticut	Deferred
Delaware Ducks, geese, and coots	Oct. 20
<u>Florida</u>	Deferred
Georgia Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Nov. 10 & 11
Maine Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 22
Maryland (1) Ducks, mergansers, coots, and Canada geese	Deferred
<u>Massachusetts</u>	Deferred
New Hampshire Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 29 & 30
New Jersey Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules North Zone South Zone Coastal Zone	Oct. 6 Oct. 13 Oct. 27

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	Season Dates
New York Ducks, mergansers, coots, brant, and Canada geese (2) Long Island Zone Lake Champlain Zone Northeastern Zone Southeastern Zone Western Zone	Nov. 10 & 11 Sept. 29 & 30 Sept. 22 & 23 Sept. 22 & 23 Oct. 13 & 14
North Carolina	Deferred
Pennsylvania Ducks, mergansers, Canada geese, coots, and moorhens	Sept. 22
Rhode Island Ducks, mergansers and coots	Oct. 27 & 28
South Carolina	Deferred
Vermont Ducks, geese, mergansers and coots	Sept. 29 & 30
<u>Virginia</u>	Deferred
West Virginia (3) Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Sept. 22
MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY	
Alabama Ducks, mergansers, coots, geese, moorhens, and gallinules	Feb. 9 & 10
<u>Arkansas</u>	Deferred
Illinois Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots North Zone Central Zone South Zone	Oct. 13 & 14 Oct. 20 & 21 Nov. 10 & 11
<u>Indiana</u>	Deferred
lowa Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots North Zone South Zone	Oct. 6 & 7 Oct. 6 & 7
Kentucky Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules East Zone West Zone	Nov. 3 & 4 Feb. 2 & 3

	Season Dates
<u>Louisiana</u>	Deferred
Michigan Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Sept. 15 & 16
Minnesota (4) Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Sept. 15
Mississippi	Deferred
Missouri	Deferred
<u>Ohio</u>	Deferred
<u>Tennessee</u>	Deferred
Wisconsin Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Sept. 15 & 16
CENTRAL FLYWAY	
Colorado Ducks, dark geese, mergansers, and coots Mountain/Foothills Zone Eastern Plains Zone	Sept. 22 & 23 Sept. 29 & 30
Kansas (5)	Deferred
Montana Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 22 & 23
Nebraska (6) Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 29 & 30
New Mexico Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, and gallinules North Zone South Zone	Sept. 29 & 30 Oct. 13 & 14
North Dakota (7) Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 15 & 16
Oklahoma	Deferred
South Dakota (7) Ducks, Canada geese, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 22 & 23
<u>Texas</u>	Deferred

	Season Dates
Wyoming	
Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots	
Zone 1	Sept. 29
Zone 2	Sept. 22
PACIFIC FLYWAY	
FACIFIC FET WAT	
<u>Arizona</u>	
Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	
North Zone	Sept. 29 & 30
South Zone	Feb. 2 & 3
California	
Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	
Northeastern Zone	Deferred
Colorado River Zone	Deferred
Southern Zone	Deferred
Southern San Joaquin Valley Zone	Deferred
Balance-of-State Zone	Deferred
Colorado Ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots	Oct. 20 & 21
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<u>Idaho</u>	
Ducks, Canada geese, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 29 & 30
Montana	
Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Sept. 22 & 23
<u>Nevada</u>	Deferred
New Mexico	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Oct. 6-Oct. 7
Ducke, merganicale, and cooks	
Oregon (8)	
Ducks, Canada geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Sept. 22 & 23
<u>Utah</u>	
Ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, moorhens, and gallinules	Sept. 29
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Washington	0 . 00 0 00
Ducks, Canada geese, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 22 & 23
Wyoming	
Ducks, dark geese, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 15
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⁽¹⁾ In <u>Maryland</u>, the accompanying adult must be at least 21 years of age and possess a valid Maryland hunting license (or be exempt from the license requirement). This accompanying adult may not shoot or possess a firearm.

- (2) In New York, the daily bag limit for Canada geese is 2.
- (3) In West Virginia, the accompanying adult must be at least 21 years of age.
- (4) In Minnesota, the Canada goose limit is 5, except that in the Twin Cities, Southeast, and Northwest Goose Zones, Swan Lake Area, and Carlos Avery Wildlife Management Area the limit is 1.
- (5) In <u>Kansas</u>, the adult accompanying the youth must possess any licenses and/or stamps required by law for that individual to hunt waterfowl.
- (6) In Nebraska, see State regulations for additional information on the daily bag limit.
- (7) In North Dakota and South Dakota, the limit for Canada geese is 3, except in areas where the Special Early Canada goose season is open. In those areas, the limit is the same as for that special season.
- (8) In <u>Oregon</u>, the Canada goose season is closed for the youth hunt in the Northwest Special Permit Goose Zone and the Northwest General Zone.
- 7. Section 20.106 is revised to read as follows:

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

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

Shooting and Hawking hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset, except as otherwise noted. Area descriptions were published in the July 23, 2007, <u>Federal Register</u> (72 FR 40197).

CHECK STATE REGULATIONS FOR AREA DESCRIPTIONS AND ANY ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS.

<u>Note</u>: States with deferred seasons may select those seasons at the same time they select waterfowl seasons in August. Consult late-season regulations for further information.

		L	Limits	
	Season Dates	Bag	Possession	
CENTRAL FLYWAY				
Colorado (1)	Oct. 6-Dec. 2	3	6	
<u>Kansas</u> (2)(3)	Nov. 7-Jan. 3	3	6	
Montana				
Regular Season Area (1)	Sept. 22-Nov. 18	3	6	
Special Season Area (5)	Sept. 8-Sept. 16	1	per season	
New Mexico				
Regular Season Area (1) Middle Rio Grande	Oct. 31-Jan. 31	3	6	
Valley Area (5)	Oct. 27-Oct. 28 &	2	4	
	Nov. 17-Nov. 18 &	2	4	
	Dec. 8-Dec. 9 &	2	4	
	Jan. 12-Jan. 13	2	4	

New Mexico (cont.) Southwest Area (5) Oct. 27-Nov. 4 & 3 6			Limits	
Southwest Area (5)		Season Dates	Bag Pos	session
Southwest Area (5)	New Mexico (cont.)			
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Wyoming (5)				
Bear River Area (Area 1) Sept. 1-Sept. 8 1 per season	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Salt River Area (Area 2) Sept. 1-Sept. 8 1 per season				
Eden-Farson Area (Area 3) Sept. 1-Sept. 8 1 per season	Eden-Farson Area (Area 3)	Sept. 1-Sept. 8	1 per se	ason

- (1) 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 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 <u>Kansas</u> and <u>North Dakota</u>, 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.
- (3) In <u>Kansas</u>, shooting hours are from one-half hour after sunrise until 2:00 p.m through November 30, and from sunrise until 2:00 p.m. December 1 through January 3.
- (4) In <u>Kansas</u>, each person desiring to hunt sandhill cranes in Kansas is required to pass an annual, on-line sandhill crane identification examination.
- (5) Hunting is by State permit only.
- 8. Section 20.109 is revised to read as follows:

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

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

Hawking hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset except as otherwise noted. Area descriptions were published in the July 23, 2007, <u>Federal Register</u> (72 FR 40197). For those extended seasons for ducks, mergansers, and coots, area descriptions were published in the September 22, 2006, <u>Federal Register</u> (71 FR 55654) and will be published again in a September 2007 <u>Federal Register</u>.

CHECK STATE REGULATIONS FOR AREA DESCRIPTIONS AND ANY ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS.

Daily bag limit	3 migratory birds, singly or in the aggregate.
Possession limit	6 migratory birds, singly or in the aggregate.

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. Only extended falconry seasons are shown below. Many States permit falconry during the gun seasons. Please consult State regulations for details.

For ducks, mergansers, coots, geese, and some moorhen seasons; additional season days occurring after September 30 will be published with the late-season selections. Some States have deferred selections. Consult late-season regulations for further information.

	Extended Falconry Dates
ATLANTIC FLYWAY	
Delaware	
Mourning doves	Oct. 1-Oct. 15 & Jan. 17-Feb. 7
Rail	Nov. 10-Dec. 15
Woodcock	Oct. 1-Oct. 6 & Feb. 1-Mar. 10
Snipe	Feb. 1-Mar. 10
<u>Florida</u>	
Mourning and white-winged doves	Oct. 30-Nov. 9 & Nov. 26-Dec. 7 & Jan. 7-Jan. 20
Rails	Nov. 10-Dec. 16
Woodcock	Nov. 24-Dec. 14 & Jan. 14-Mar. 9
Common moorhens	Nov. 10-Dec. 14
Georgia	
Moorhens, gallinules, and sea ducks	Nov. 26-Dec. 7 & Jan. 28-Feb. 1
Maryland	
Mourning doves	Oct. 14-Nov. 9 & Dec. 9-Dec. 14 & Jan. 4- Jan. 7
Rails	Nov. 10-Dec. 16
Woodcock	Oct. 1-Oct. 31 & Jan. 25-Mar. 10
Pennsylvania	
Mourning doves	Oct. 1-Oct. 19 & Nov. 26-Dec. 14
Rails	Nov. 10-Dec. 15
Woodcock	Sept. 1-Oct. 12 & Nov. 12-Dec. 15

	Extended Falconry Dates
Pennsylvania (cont.)	
Snipe	Sept. 1-Oct. 12 & Nov. 26-Dec. 17
Moorhens and gallinules	Nov. 10-Dec. 15
<u>Virginia</u>	
Mourning doves	Sept. 30-Oct. 4 & Oct. 28-Nov. 3 & Dec. 1-Dec. 25
Woodcock	Oct. 20-Oct. 26 & Nov. 11-Dec. 21 & Jan. 6-Feb. 3
Rails	Nov. 18-Dec. 25
MISSISSIPPI FLYWAY	
Illinois	
Mourning doves	Oct. 22-Nov. 2 & Nov. 12-Dec. 16
Rails	Sept. 1-Sept. 7 & Nov. 17-Dec. 16
Woodcock	Sept. 1-Oct. 19 & Dec. 4-Dec. 16
<u>Indiana</u>	
Mourning doves	Oct. 14-Nov. 8 & Jan. 1-Jan. 21
Woodcock	Sept. 22-Oct. 5 & Nov. 20-Jan. 6
Ducks, mergansers, and coots (1) North Zone	Sept. 27-Sept. 30
Louisiana	
Mourning doves	Sept. 17-Oct. 9
Woodcock	Oct. 28-Dec. 17 & Feb. 1-Feb. 11

	Extended Falconry Dates
<u>Minnesota</u>	
Woodcock	Sept. 1-Sept. 21 & Nov. 6-Dec. 16
Rails and snipe	Nov. 5-Dec. 16
Missouri	
Mourning and white-winged doves	Nov. 10-Dec. 16
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 8-Sept. 23
<u>Ohio</u>	
Ducks	Sept. 1-Sept. 16
Canada geese	Sept. 1-Sept. 15
<u>Tennessee</u>	
Mourning doves	Sept. 27-Oct. 12 & Oct. 29-Nov. 28
Ducks (1)	Sept. 13-Oct. 22
Wisconsin	
Rails, snipe, moorhens, and gallinules (1)	Sept. 1-Sept. 21
Woodcock	Sept. 1-Sept. 21
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 15-Sept. 16
CENTRAL FLYWAY	
Montana (2)	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots (1)	Sept. 21-Sept. 28
<u>Nebraska</u>	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots High Plains	Sept. 8-Sept. 16 & Sept. 29-Sept. 30
Low Plains	Sept. 1-Sept. 23

	Extended Falconry Dates
New Mexico	
Doves	
North Zone	Oct. 31-Nov. 12 &
North Zone	Nov. 27-Dec. 30
South Zone	Oct. 1-Nov. 12 &
	Nov. 27-Nov. 30
Band-tailed pigeons	
North Zone	Sept. 21-Dec. 16
South Zone	Oct. 21-Jan. 15
Ducks and coots	Sept. 15-Sept. 23
Sandhill cranes	
Regular Season Area	Oct. 17-Oct. 30
Estancia Valley Area	Oct. 27-Dec. 30
Common moorhens	Dec. 15-Jan. 20
Sora and Virginia rails	Nov. 24-Dec. 30
North Dakota	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots	Sept. 3-Sept. 7 &
	Sept. 10-Sept. 14
Snipe	Sept. 1-Sept. 14
South Dakota	
Ducks, mergansers, and coots (1)	
High Plains	Sept. 4-Sept. 11
Low Plains	
North Zone	Sept. 4-Sept. 21 &
	Sept. 24-Sept. 28
Middle Zone	Sept. 4-Sept. 21 &
	Sept. 24-Sept. 28
South Zone	Sept. 4-Sept. 21 &
	Sept. 24-Sept. 30
<u>Texas</u>	
Doves	Nov. 19-Dec. 25
Rails and gallinules	Dec. 27-Feb. 1
Woodcock	Nov. 24-Dec. 17

	Extended Falconry Dates
Wyoming	
Rails	Nov. 10-Dec. 16
Ducks, mergansers, and coots (1) Zone 1 Zone 2	Sept. 26-Oct. 5 Sept. 19-Sept. 28
PACIFIC FLYWAY	
Arizona	
Doves	Sept. 17-Nov. 2
<u>Idaho</u>	
Mourning doves	Nov. 1-Jan. 16
New Mexico	
Doves North Zone	Oct. 31-Nov. 12 & Nov. 27-Dec. 30
South Zone	Oct. 1-Nov. 12 & Nov. 27-Nov. 30
Band-tailed pigeons North Zone South Zone	Sept. 21-Dec. 16 Oct. 21-Jan. 15
Oregon (3)	
Mourning doves	Oct. 1-Dec. 16
Band-tailed pigeons	Sept. 1-Sept. 14 & Sept. 24-Dec. 16
<u>Utah</u>	
Doves and band-tailed pigeons	Oct. 1-Dec. 16
Washington	
Mourning doves	Oct. 1-Dec. 31
Wyoming	
Rails	Nov. 10-Dec. 16

Extended Falconry Dates

Wyoming (cont.)

Ducks, mergansers, and coots (1)

Sept. 15

- (1) Additional days occurring after September 30 will be published with the late-season selections.
- (2) In Montana, the bag limit is 2 and the possession limit is 6.
- (3) In Oregon, no more than 1 pigeon daily in bag or possession.

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