

TEXT

6 NYCRR 1.11(a)(2) is amended as follows:

<i>Season</i>	<i>Season dates</i>
Youth Firearms	3 consecutive days beginning on the Saturday of Columbus Day weekend
Regular	23 days beginning on the 3rd Saturday in November
Bowhunting	Early Season: October 1 through the Friday immediately preceding regular season
	Late Season: nine days immediately following the regular season and, <u>except in ineligible areas as defined in subparagraph (a)(2)(i) of this section</u> , December 26 through January 1
Muzzleloader	Early Season: closed
	Late Season: nine consecutive days immediately following the regular season and, <u>except in ineligible areas as defined in subparagraph (a)(2)(i) of this section</u> , December 26 through January 1

- (i) For the purposes of this section, “ineligible areas” shall include any county in the Southern Zone that has passed a local law authorizing an annual exclusion from the December 26 to January 1 portion of the late bowhunting and/or late muzzleloader season. Such local law(s) shall only be valid for one year from the date it is passed by the county legislature, must be renewed by the county legislature annually to remain in effect, and beginning in 2022 must be communicated to the Department by May 1 of each year.