**2020 REGULAR & BOWHUNTING DEER SEASONS**

**Hunting Hours:** Sunrise to Sunset

**Youth Firearms Season**
- **Season Dates:** Oct. 10 – Oct. 12, 2020
- **Area Open:** Northern and Southern Zones, except bowhunting only WMUs
- **Eligible Hunters:** Youth 14-19 years of age
- **Bag Limit:** One deer (arrow or antlerless)
- **Tags:** Regular (non-bow), DNP and DNP (non-bow) only

**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;
  - outside WMUs 14, 14C, 36 (Suffolk County), 42 (Westchester County), 43 or 46.

**Fallthrough:**
- **May not be used to hunt deer in WMUs 14C (Suffolk County), 36 (Westchester County), 42 or 46.

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  - during the Youth Firearms Season;
  - outside WMUs 14, 14C, 36 (Suffolk County), 42 (Westchester County), 43 or 46.

**2020 MUZZLELOADING DEER SEASONS**

**Hunting Hours:** Sunrise to Sunset

**Youth Firearms Season**
- **Season Dates:** Oct. 10 – Oct. 12, 2020
- **Area Open:** Northern and Southern Zones, except bowhunting only WMUs
- **Eligible Hunters:** Youth 14-19 years of age
- **Bag Limit:** One deer (arrow or antlerless)
- **Tags:** Regular (non-bow), DNP and DNP (non-bow) only

**Crossbows:**
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**2020 BLACK BEAR SEASONS**

**Hunting Hours:** Sunrise to Sunset

**Allegany State Park**

**Northern Zone**
- **Early Bear:** Sept. 15 – Oct. 15
- **Bowhunting:** Oct. 14 – Dec. 3

**Southern Zone**
- **Early Bear:** Sept. 15 – Oct. 15
- **Bowhunting:** Oct. 14 – Dec. 3

**FALL TURKEY SEASONS**

**Hunting Hours:** Sunrise to Sunset

**Youth Firearms Season**
- **Season Dates:** Oct. 10 – Oct. 12, 2020
- **Area Open:** Northern and Southern Zones, except bowhunting only WMUs
- **Eligible Hunters:** Youth 14-19 years of age

**Season Bag Limit:** 1 bird of either sex

**SPRING TURKEY SEASON (no map)**

**Hunting Hours:** One half – hour before sunrise to noon

**Area Open:**
- All of upstate New York north of the Bronx-Westchester County boundary

**Season Dates:** May 1 – May 31

**Season Bag Limits:** Two bearded turkeys (one bird per day)

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**How To Properly Fill Out Your Carcass Tag and Report Your Harvest**

**Carcass Tag**

- **Use pen or permanent marker.**
- **Fill in data, location, biological, and visitation information on the front of your tag.**
- **Mark or cut month and day of non-game sign on back of your tag.**
- **Report your harvest.**

**Remember to Report Your Game Harvest**

**HuntFishNY Mobile App**
- 1-866-426-3778
- www.dec.ny.gov

Most regulations are in effect September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021.
COYOTE HUNTING

Statewide except Long Island and New York City: Oct. 1 – Mar. 28

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

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.

BOBCAT HUNTING

There are no bag limits.

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

BOBWHITE QUAIL HUNTING

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

**Gray, Black & Fox Squirrel Hunting**

Daily bag limit of 6 total, regardless of species.

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

Long Island: Nov. 1 – Feb. 28

All other areas of New York: Sept. 1 – Feb. 28

If you take a bobcat, you MUST:
1) Complete a Furbearer Possession Tag AND
2) Get the pelt or unskinned animal sealed.

*Note: You will need a Furbearer Permit.

If you take a raccoon, fox, skunk, opossum, or weasel, you MUST:
1) Complete a Mammal Possession Tag AND
2) Get the carcass of the animal sealed.

*No Youth Hunt in WMU 2A / Youth Hunt / Regular Hunt

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

**PHEASANT HUNTING**

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

Cocks only

Cocks & hens

Cocks only east of Shinnecock Canal & Inlet

**VARYING HARE HUNTING**

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

**RUFFED GROUSE HUNTING**

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

**COTTONTAIL RABBIT HUNTING**

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

Season Dates

**Daily Bag Limits**

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Gray, Black & Fox Squirrel Hunting:
Red squirrels are unprotected, and may be hunted at any time without limit.

If you take a raccoon, fox, skunk, opossum, or weasel, you MUST:
1) Complete a Mammal Possession Tag AND
2) Get the carcass of the animal sealed.

*Note: You will need a Mammal Permit.

If you take a bobcat, you MUST:
1) Complete a Furbearer Possession Tag AND
2) Get the pelt or unskinned animal sealed.

*No Youth Hunt in WMU 2A / Youth Hunt / Regular Hunt

Junior hunters (ages 12-15) must be accompanied by a licensed adult hunter. Only the junior hunter may carry a firearm.
BOBCAT TRAPPING
There are no bag limits.

Season Dates 2020/21
- Oct. 25 – Feb. 15
- Oct. 25 – Nov. 20
- Closed

*A free special harvest expansion area permit is no longer required

Reminder
If you take a fisher, marten, bobcat, or river otter, YOU MUST
1. Complete a Furbearer Possession Tag AND
2. Get the pelt or unskinned animal sealed.

FISHER AND MARTEN TRAPPING
To trap fisher and/or marten, you must obtain a special free trapping permit from a Regional Wildlife Office.

Season Dates 2020/21
- Species
  - Nov. 1 - Nov. 30 Fisher and Marten
  - Oct. 25 - Oct. 30 Fisher only
  - Oct. 25 - Dec. 10 Fisher only
  - Closed

There are no bag limits for fisher. Season limit of 6 martens.

RACCOON, RED FOX, GRAY 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.

MINK AND MUSKRAT TRAPPING
There are no bag limits.

Season Dates 2020/21
- Oct. 25 - Apr. 7
- Nov. 10 - Apr. 7
- Nov. 25 - Feb. 15
- Nov. 25 - Mar. 15
- Closed

RIVER OTTER TRAPPING
There are no bag limits.

Season Dates 2020/21
- Nov. 1 – Apr. 7
- Nov. 10 – Feb. 28
- Closed

There are no bag limits.
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 for all species 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, but the adult hunter may only shoot migratory game birds if the respective hunting season is open for hunters of all ages.

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 lying in Long Island Sound, Block Island Sound, Great Peconic Bay and associated bays eastward from a line running between Miamogue Point in the Town of Riverhead to Red Cedar Point in the Town of Southampton, and any ocean waters of New York State lying south of Long Island.

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 goose.

**a** 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 2 mallards (1 of which may be a hen), 3 wood ducks, 2 black ducks, 1 pintail, 1 scap (2 scap are allowed during the special 20 days specified above for each zone), 2 redheads, 2 canvasback, 4 scoters, 4 eiders, 4 long-tailed ducks or 2 hooded mergansers. For all other duck species found in New York, the daily limit is no more than 6.

b Cackling geese and white-fronted goose may be taken as part of the Canada goose daily and possession limits. Snow geese and Ross' geese may be taken as part of the snow goose limits.