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2009-10 Waterfowl and Migratory Bird Seasons

Migratory bird hunters in Arkansas 16 or older are required to carry proof of Arkansas Harvest Information Program (HIP) registration when hunting ducks, geese, doves, coots, woodcocks, snipe, rails, gallinules or moorhens. Available at no charge, HIP registration can be obtained by completing a short survey found at license dealers, any Arkansas Game and Fish Commission office, online at www.agfc.com or by phone at (800) 264-4263 (toll-free).

Shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise until sunset, except during teal season, which begins at sunrise. During waterfowl season, WMAs are closed after noon to waterfowl hunters and waterfowl hunting. Waterfowl hunters must leave waterfowl hunting areas by 1 p.m. Waterfowl rest areas are closed.

Duck daily bag limit – six. Limit may include no more than four mallards (no more than two of which may be hens), three wood ducks, two redheads, one black duck, two scaup, one pintail, one canvasback and one mottled duck. The possession limit is twice the daily bag limit. Bayou Meto WMA has a daily bag limit of four ducks, which may include no more than three mallards (no more than one of which may be a hen).

Coot daily bag limit – 15. The possession limit is twice the daily bag limit.

Merganser daily bag limit – five. No more than two may be hooded mergansers. The possession limit is twice the daily bag limit.



Special Youth Waterfowl Hunt Dec. 5-6, 2009

On these days, youths 15 and younger may hunt ducks, in-season geese, coots and mergansers. Youths who have completed a hunter education course must be accompanied by a mentor who is 18 or older. Youths who have not completed a hunter education course must be accompanied by a mentor who is 21 or older. Mentors may not hunt ducks, coots or mergansers, but may call waterfowl and hunt other in-season game. Shooting hours and bag limits are the same as regular duck season.

Duck, Coot and Merganser

Nov. 21-29, 2009
Dec. 10-23, 2009
Dec. 26, 2009-Jan. 31, 2010

Snow, Blue and Ross' Goose

Nov. 7-Dec. 24, 2009
Dec. 26, 2009-Jan. 31, 2010
No possession limit

Conservation Order

Feb. 1-April 25, 2010
No bag or possession limit

White-fronted Goose

Nov. 14-Dec. 5, 2009
Dec. 12-24, 2009
Dec. 26, 2009-Jan. 31, 2010
Daily bag limit – 2
Possession limit – 4

Early Canada Goose

Sept. 1-15, 2009 (statewide)
Daily bag limit – 5
Possession limit – 10

Canada Goose

Sept. 26-Oct. 5, 2009 (NW Canada goose zone only; see map)
Dec. 26, 2009-Jan. 31, 2010 (statewide)
Daily bag limit – 2
Possession limit – 4

Mourning and Eurasian Collared-Dove

Sept. 5-Oct. 18, 2009
Dec. 5-30, 2009
Mourning dove daily bag limit – 15
Mourning dove possession limit – 30
Eurasian Collared-Doves –
No daily bag or possession limit

Virginia and Sora Rail

Sept. 12-Nov. 20, 2009
Daily bag limit – 25
Possession limit – 25 (combined)

Teal

Sept. 12-27, 2009
Daily bag limit – 4
Possession limit – 8

Common Snipe

Nov. 1, 2009-Feb. 15, 2010
Daily bag limit – 8
Possession limit – 16

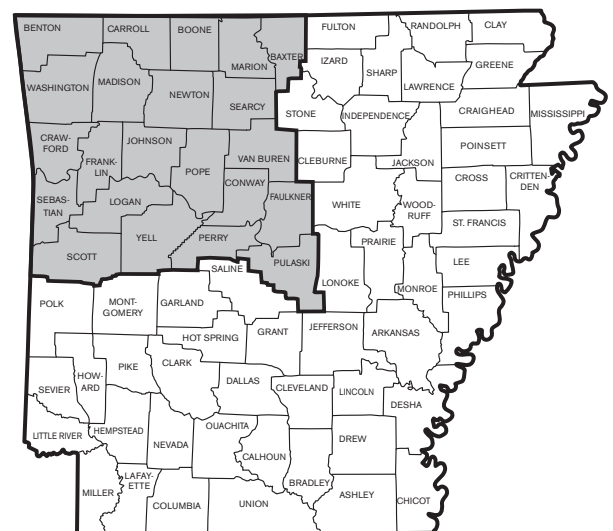
Common Moorhen and Purple Gallinule

Sept. 1-Nov. 9, 2009
Daily bag limit – 15
Possession limit – 30

Woodcock

Nov. 7-Dec. 21, 2009
Daily bag limit – 3
Possession limit – 6

Canada Goose Zone



Northwest Canada Goose Zone

If you shoot a banded migratory bird, please call 1-800-327-BAND.