

2018-2019 Season Dates and Bag Limits

Deer

| Seasons | WMDs | Dates | | Limits |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| | | First Day | Last Day | Daily Bag & Possession |
| Firearms Season | All | October 29, 2018 | November 24, 2018 | 1 Deer Per Year** |
| Maine Resident Only Day* | All | October 27, 2018 | | |
| Youth Deer Day | All | October 20, 2018 | | |
| Archery | All | September 29, 2018 | October 26, 2018 | |
| Muzzleloader Statewide | All | November 26, 2018 | December 1, 2018 | |
| Muzzleloader | 12, 13, 15-18, 20-26, 29 | December 3, 2018 | December 8, 2018 | |
| Expanded Archery | Designated areas only | September 8, 2018 | December 8, 2018 | |

**Only deer with antlers at least 3 inches long may be taken from October 29-December 8, except that any deer may be taken in designated WMDs by hunters with any-deer permits.

Exceptions: Additional deer may be taken by participating in the Expanded Archery Season, or by anyone possessing a bonus antlerless deer permit or superpack antlerless deer permit.

Note: In WMDs where no any-deer permits are issued, it is bucks only for youth hunters on youth deer day and also bucks only for archers during the archery season on deer.

Bear

| Seasons | WMDs | Dates | | Limits |
|--|------|--------------------|--------------------|--|
| | | First Day | Last Day | Daily Bag & Possession |
| General Hunting Season | All | August 27, 2018 | November 24, 2018 | 2 Bear Per Year 1 by hunting, 1 by trapping |
| Youth Bear Day | All | August 25, 2018 | | |
| Hunting with Dogs | All | September 10, 2018 | October 26, 2018 | |
| Hunting with Bait <i>Bait can be placed July 28</i> | All | August 27, 2018 | September 22, 2018 | |

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Moose (by permit only)

| Seasons | WMDs | Dates | | Limits |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|
| | | First Day | Last Day | Daily Bag & Possession |
| | 1- 6, 10, 11, 18, 19, 27, 28 | September 24, 2018 | September 29, 2018 | 1 Moose Per Year <i>by either permittee or sub-permittee</i> |
| | 1-14, 17-19, 27, 28 | October 8, 2018 | October 13, 2018 | |
| | 15, 16 | October 29, 2018 | November 24, 2018 | |
| Maine Resident Only Day* | 15, 16 | October 27, 2018 | | |
| | 1-6 | October 22, 2018 | October 27, 2018 | |

Permit application period: January through April 1

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* A non-resident who owns 25 or more acres of land in Maine and leaves land open to hunting, holds a valid hunting license, and is not otherwise prohibited by law, may hunt deer on the Resident only day, anywhere in the state. A verification form must be completed and can be located on the [Hunting License Information page](#).

Spring Wild Turkey *(Bow & arrow, crossbow or shotgun)*

| Seasons | WMDs | Dates | | Limits | |
|---|---------|----------------|--------------|------------------------|--|
| | | First Day | Last Day | Daily Bag & Possession | |
| General Hunting Season | 7, 9-29 | April 29, 2019 | June 1, 2019 | 2 bearded Wild Turkeys | |
| | 8 | April 29, 2019 | June 1, 2019 | | |
| Season A Week 1 <i>(odd year birth)</i> | 1-6 | April 29, 2019 | May 4, 2019 | | |
| Season A Week 2 <i>(odd year birth)</i> | 1-6 | May 13, 2019 | May 18, 2019 | | |
| Season B Week 3 <i>(even year birth)</i> | 1-6 | May 6, 2019 | May 11, 2019 | 1 bearded Wild Turkey* | |
| Season B Week 4 <i>(even year birth)</i> | 1-6 | May 20, 2019 | May 25, 2019 | | |
| All Hunters | 1-6 | May 27, 2019 | June 1, 2019 | | |
| Youth Spring Wild Turkey Day | | April 27, 2019 | | | |

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Fall Wild Turkey *(Bow & arrow or shotgun)*

| Seasons | WMDs | Dates | | Limits | |
|------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| | | First Day | Last Day | Daily Bag & Possession | |
| General Hunting Season | 15-17, 20-25, 28 | October 1, 2018 | November 7, 2018 | 2 Wild Turkeys either sex, any age | |
| | 10-13, 18, 19, 26, 27, 29 | October 1, 2018 | November 7, 2018 | 1 Wild Turkey either sex, any age* | |
| | 1-9, 14 | | | Closed to Fall Turkey hunting | |

*May take up to 2 turkeys for the season, but the second turkey must come from a WMD listed as having a two bird limit.

Upland and Migratory Birds

| Seasons | WMDs | Dates | | Limits | |
|---|------|---|--------------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| | | First Day | Last Day | Daily Bag | Possession |
| Ruffed Grouse & Bobwhite Quail | All | October 1, 2018 | December 31, 2018 | 4 | 8 |
| Pheasant | All | October 1, 2018 | December 31, 2018 | 2 | 4 |
| Woodcock | All | See migratory game bird laws for more information | | | |
| Common Snipe | All | | | | |
| Ducks, Geese, Sea Ducks <i>(Scoter, Eider, Long-Tailed Duck)</i> | | | | | |
| Sora & Virginia Rails <i>(and Gallinules)</i> | All | | | | |
| Crows | 1-6 | August 1, 2018 February 2, 2019 | September 22, 2018 April 15, 2019 | No Limit | |
| | 7-29 | August 1, 2018 January 17, 2019 | September 22, 2018 March 30, 2019 | | |

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Other Species

| Seasons | WMDs | Dates | | Limits | |
|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|------------|
| | | First Day | Last Day | Daily Bag | Possession |
| Gray Squirrel | All | October 1, 2018 | December 31, 2018 | 4 | 8 |
| Gray Squirrel (Falconry) | All | October 1, 2018 | February 28, 2019 | 4 | 8 |
| Snowshoe Hare | All | October 1, 2018 | March 31, 2019 | 4 | 8 |
| Snowshoe Hare | Vinalhaven Island, Knox County | October 1, 2018 | February 28, 2019 | 4 | 8 |
| Bobcat | All | December 1, 2018 | February 21, 2019 | No Limit | |
| Fox | All | October 15, 2018 | February 28, 2019 | No Limit | |
| Raccoon | All | October 1, 2018 | December 31, 2018 | No Limit | |
| Skunk, Opossum | All | October 15, 2018 | December 31, 2018 | No Limit | |
| Coyote Night Hunt | All | December 18, 2018 | August 31, 2019 | No Limit | |
| Coyote, Woodchuck, Porcupine, Red Squirrel | All | No Closed Season for Hunting | | | |
| Spruce Grouse, Lynx, Cottontail Rabbit | | No Open Season for Hunting | | | |

Note: Except for migratory game birds, there is no hunting season on any species of bird or animal which is not listed above.