



GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

# HUNTING REGULATIONS

2022-2023

## SUMMARY OF MIGRATORY BIRD SEASON DATES

Updated May 2022

| SPECIES   | DATES  | LIMITS & RESTRICTIONS  |
|---|--|--|
| Canada Geese  | Sept. 3-25<br>Oct. 8-23<br>Nov. 19-27<br>Dec. 10 - Jan. 29                     | 5 per day, 15 in possession  |
| Common (Wilson's) Snipe                               | Nov. 15 - Feb. 28  | 8 per day, 24 in possession  |
| Coots   | Nov. 19-27<br>Dec. 10 - Jan. 29  | 15 per day, 45 in possession   |
| Ducks   | Nov. 19-27<br>Dec. 10 - Jan. 29  | 6 per day, 18 in possession<br>(See species limits below)  |
| Falconry  | Sept. 3-25<br>Oct. 8-23<br>Nov. 12-13<br>Nov. 19 - Dec. 3<br>Dec. 10 - Jan. 29 | 3 per day, 9 in possession   |
| Gallinules  | Nov. 19-27<br>Dec. 10 - Jan. 29  | 15 per day, 45 in possession   |
| King & Clapper Rails                                  | Oct. 8-28<br>Nov. 8 - Dec. 26  | 15 per day, 45 in possession   |
| Mergansers  | Nov. 19-27<br>Dec. 10 - Jan. 29  | 5 per day, 15 in possession<br>Not more than 2 hooded mergansers (6 in possession)   |
| Mourning Doves  | Sept. 3 - Oct. 9<br>Nov. 19-27<br>Dec. 19 - Jan. 31                            | 15 per day, 45 in possession   |
| Sea Ducks<br>(Scoters, Eiders, Long-tailed Ducks)     | Nov. 19-27<br>Dec. 10 - Jan. 29  | 5 per day, 15 in possession<br>(See species limits below)<br>Sea ducks count towards the total bag limit of 6 ducks except in the Sea Duck Zone, which is defined as tidal waters greater than 1 mile offshore |
| Snow & White-fronted Geese                            | Oct. 8-23<br>Nov. 19-27<br>Dec. 10 - Jan. 29                                   | 5 per day, 15 in possession  |
| Sora & Virginia Rails                                 | Oct. 8-28<br>Nov. 8 - Dec. 26  | 25 per day, 75 in possession   |
| Teal  | Sept. 10 - 25  | 6 per day, 18 in possession  |
| Woodcock  | Dec. 10 - Jan. 23  | 3 per day, 9 in possession   |
| Youth, Active Duty Military & Veterans Waterfowl Days | Nov. 12 - 13   |  |

**Duck Species Daily Bag Limits:** 1 Black or Mottled Duck, 2 Canvasback, 1 Fulvous Whistling Duck, 2 Mallards (only 1 may be a hen), 1 Pintail, 2 Redheads, 1 Scaup, 3 Wood Ducks. Possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

**Sea Duck Daily Bag Limits:** 4 Eiders, 4 Long-tailed Ducks, 4 Scoters. Possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

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