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(Sections 29.085 and 29.174, Wis. Stats.)

**WCD 10.01 Open and closed seasons.** A closed season is established for each species of wild animal and bird named herein extending during all the time of each year except the open season period embraced within the specified dates, both inclusive, and except as otherwise expressly provided, no person shall take, catch, kill, hunt, pursue, or trap any wild animal or bird at any time other than the open season and established hunting hours therefor, nor in the open season in excess of the daily bag limit designated for each species or each locality respectively, nor have any such protected wild animal or bird in his possession or under his control in excess of the possession limit.

### (1) MIGRATORY BIRDS AND WATERFOWL.

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Bag limit	Possession limit
(a) <b>Wild Ducks</b> All varieties and species except wood duck.....	Oct. 1 at 12 noon through Dec. 9	4 in the aggregate including not more than 1 hooded merganser.	8 in the aggregate including not more than 1 hooded merganser.
(b) <b>Wood Duck</b> .....	None		
(c) <b>Coot (Mud Hen)</b> .....	Oct. 1 at 12 noon through Dec. 9	10	10
(d) <b>Sora Rail</b> .....	Oct 1 at 12 noon through Nov. 29	25	25
(e) <b>Geese</b> .....	Oct. 1 at 12 noon through Dec. 9	5 in the aggregate including in such limit not more than 2 Canada geese or its sub-species or 2 white-fronted geese or 1 of each.	5 in the aggregate including in such limit not more than 2 Canada geese or its sub-species or 2 white-fronted geese or 1 of each.
(f) <b>Rails and Gallinules</b> All varieties except sora rail and coot.....	Oct. 1 at 12 noon through Nov. 29	15	15
(g) <b>Wilson's Snipe or Jacksnipe</b> .....	Oct. 1 at 12 noon through Oct. 15	8	8
(h) <b>Woodcock</b> .....	Oct. 1 at 12 noon through Nov. 9	4	8

## (2) UPLAND GAME BIRDS.

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Bag limits
(a) <b>Ruffed Grouse</b> (Partridge) All that part of the state of Wisconsin lying north of state highway 64-----	October 1 at 12 noon through November 13	5 each day 10 possession
That part of Adams county lying north of state highway 21; Brown, Calumet, that part of Chippewa county lying south of state highway 64; Clark, Columbia, Dodge, Door, that part of Dunn county lying south of state highway 64; Eau Claire, Fond du Lac, Green, Green Lake, that part of Jackson county lying east of a line beginning at the junction of state highway 27 with the south boundary of said county, thence northerly along said highway 27 to its junction with U. S. highway 12, thence northerly along said highway 12 to its junction with the north boundary of said county; that part of Juneau county lying north of state highway 21; Kewaunee, Lafayette, that part of Langlade county lying south of state highway 64; that part of Lincoln county lying south of state highway 64; Manitowoc, Marathon, that part of Marinette county lying south of state highway 64; Marquette, that part of Monroe county lying north of state highway 21 and east of state highway 27; that part of Oconto county lying south of state highway 64; Outagamie, Ozaukee, Pepin, Pierce, Portage, that part of St. Croix county lying south of state highway 64; Shawano, Sheboygan, that part of Taylor county lying south of state highway 64; Washington, Waupaca, Waushara, Winnebago, and Wood counties-----	October 15 at 12 noon through November 13	5 each day 10 possession
That part of Adams county lying south of state highway 21; Buffalo, Crawford, Dane, Grant, Iowa, that part of Jackson county lying west of a line beginning at the junction of state highway 27 with the south boundary of said county, thence northerly along said highway 27 to its junction with U. S. highway 12, thence northerly along said highway 12 to its junction with the north boundary of said county; that part of Juneau county lying south of state highway 21; La Crosse, that part of Monroe county lying west and south of a line beginning at the junction of state highway 27 with the north boundary of said county, thence southerly along said highway 27 to its junction with state highway 21, thence easterly along said highway 21 to its junction with the east boundary of said county; Richland, Sauk, Trempealeau, and Vernon counties-----	October 15 at 12 noon through December 18	5 each day 10 possession
In all other counties-----	None	-----
(b) <b>Sharp-Tailed Grouse and Prairie Chicken</b> (Pinnated Grouse) Ashland, Barron, Bayfield, Burnett, Chippewa, Clark, Douglas, Florence, Forest, Iron, Jackson, Juneau, Langlade, Lincoln, Marathon, Marinette, Monroe, Oconto, Oneida, Polk, Price, Rusk, Sawyer, Shawano, Taylor, Vilas, Washburn, and Wood counties-----	October 15 at 12 noon through October 30	Bag limit means total of both species.  3 each day 6 possession
In all other counties-----	None	-----

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Bag limits
(c) <b>Ringneck, Blackneck, Mongolian, and Mutant Pheasant</b>		Bag limit means total of all varieties.
All counties-----	Cocks only October 15 at 12 noon through November 13	2 each day 4 possession
There shall be an open season for hunting pheasant with bow and arrow <i>only</i> in Milwaukee county-----	Hens or cocks October 15 at 12 noon through February 15	2 each day 4 possession
(d) <b>Hungarian Partridge</b> That part of Oconto county lying north of state highway 64-----	October 1 at 12 noon through November 13	5 each day 10 possession
Brown, Calumet, Columbia, Dane, Dodge, Door, Fond du Lac, Green, Green Lake, Jefferson, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Milwaukee, that part of Oconto county lying south of state highway 64; Outagamie, Ozaukee, Racine, Rock, Shawano, Sheboygan, Walworth, Washington, Waukesha, and Winnebago counties-----	October 15 at 12 noon through November 13	5 each day 10 possession
There shall be an open season for hunting Hungarian partridge with bow and arrow <i>only</i> in Milwaukee county-----	October 15 at 12 noon through February 15	5 each day 10 possession
In all other counties-----	None	-----
(e) <b>Bobwhite Quail</b> All that part of Chippewa, Dunn, and St. Croix counties lying north of state highway 64-----	October 1 at 12 noon through November 13	5 each day 10 possession
Adams, Buffalo, that part of Chippewa county lying south of state highway 64; Columbia, Crawford, Dane, that part of Dunn county lying south of state highway 64; Eau Claire, Grant, Green, Green Lake, Iowa, Jackson, Juneau, La Crosse, Lafayette, Marquette, Monroe, Pepin, Pierce, Richland, that part of St. Croix county lying south of state highway 64; Sauk, Trempealeau, Vernon, and Wood counties-----	October 15 at 12 noon through November 13	5 each day 10 possession
In all other counties-----	None	-----

(3) UPLAND GAME ANIMALS.

(a) <b>Gray and Fox Squirrels</b> All that part of the state of Wisconsin lying north of state highway 64-----	October 1 at 12 noon through January 15	Bag limit means total of both species. 5 each day 10 possession
All that part of the state of Wisconsin lying south of state highway 64-----	October 15 at 12 noon through January 15	5 each day 10 possession
(b) <b>Gray, Cross, and Black Raccoon</b> All that part of the state of Wisconsin lying north of state highway 33-----	October 1 at 12 noon through January 15	Bag limit means total of all varieties. 20 per season (no daily bag limit)
All that part of the state of Wisconsin lying south of state highway 33-----	October 15 at 12 noon through January 15	20 per season (no daily bag limit)

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(c) <b>Cottontail and Jackrabbit</b> All that part of the state of Wisconsin lying north of state highway 64-----	<i>Cottontail rabbits:</i> October 1 at 12 noon through January 15  <i>Jackrabbits:</i> October 1 at 12 noon through January 15	4 each day 8 possession  4 each day 8 possession
All that part of the state of Wisconsin lying south of state highway 64-----	<i>Cottontail rabbits:</i> October 15 at 12 noon through January 15  <i>Jackrabbits:</i> October 15 at 12 noon through January 15	4 each day 8 possession  4 each day 8 possession

There shall be an open season for the taking of cottontail rabbits in Milwaukee county at all times and cottontail rabbits may be taken during such open season by any means except the use or aid of firearms, snares and poison.

(d) <b>Snowshoe Hare</b> All that part of the state of Wisconsin lying north of state highway 64-----	October 1 at 12 noon through March 31	No bag limit
All that part of the state of Wisconsin lying south of state highway 64-----	October 15 at 12 noon through January 15	4 each day 8 possession
(e) <b>Deer</b> <i>Rifle Season:</i> There shall be an open season for hunting deer with rifles, shotguns loaded with single slug or ball, and with bow and arrow in the counties of Adams, Ashland (including Madeline Island), Barron, Bayfield, Burnett, Chippewa, Clark, Douglas, Eau Claire, Florence, Forest, Iowa, Iron, Jackson, Juneau, Langlade, Lincoln, Marathon, Marinette, Marquette, Monroe, Oconto, Oneida, Polk, Portage, Price, Richland, Rusk, Sauk, Sawyer, Taylor, Vernon, Vilas, Washburn, and Wood-----	November 19 through November 27	One forked-horn buck per season, antler to have branch or fork one inch long or over, to be measured from inside angle as indicated by diagram in paragraph f.
There shall be an open season for hunting deer with rifles, shotguns, loaded with single slug or ball, and with bow and arrow on all islands, except Madeline island, in the outlying waters of Lake Superior in the counties of Ashland and Bayfield-----	November 19 through November 27	One deer per season, any age, either sex.
<i>Non-rifle Season:</i> There shall be an open season for hunting deer with shotguns only, loaded with single slug or ball, and with bow and arrow in the counties of Brown, Calumet, Columbia, Crawford, Dane, Dodge, Door, Fond du Lac, Grant, Green Lake, Jefferson, Keewaunee, Manitowoc, Outagamie, Ozaukee, Shawano, Sheboygan, that part of Walworth county lying north and west of a line beginning at the junction of county highway "A" with the west boundary of said county, thence easterly along said highway "A" to its junction with state highway 15, thence northeasterly along said highway 15 to its junction with the north boundary of said county; Washing-		

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<p>ton, that part of Waukesha county lying west of a line beginning at the junction of state highway 15 with the south boundary of said county, thence northeasterly along said highway 15 to its junction with state highway 83, thence northerly along said highway 83 to its junction with the north boundary of said county; Waupaca, Waushara, and Winnebago-----</p>	<p>November 19 through November 27</p>	<p>One forked-horn buck per season, antler to have branch or fork one inch long or over, to be measured from inside angle as indicated by diagram in paragraph (f).</p>
<p>There shall be an open season for hunting deer with shotguns only, loaded with single slug or ball, and with bow and arrow in the counties of Buffalo, Dunn (except 9-mile Island), La Crosse, Pepin (except 9-mile Island), Pierce, St. Croix, and Trempealeau-----</p>	<p>November 19 through November 22</p>	<p>One deer per season, any age, either sex.</p>
<p>There shall be no open season for deer with firearms in all other counties or parts of counties in the state of Wisconsin.</p>		
<p><i>Bow and arrow season:</i> There shall be an open season for deer hunting with bow and arrow <i>only</i> in all counties of the state of Wisconsin-----</p>	<p>September 24 through November 13</p>	<p>One deer per season, any age, either sex.</p>
<p>There shall be an open season for deer hunting with bow and arrow <i>only</i> in all those counties or parts of counties lying south of state highway 64-----</p>	<p>December 10 through January 1</p>	<p>One deer per season, any age, either sex.</p>
<p>(f) <b>Method of Determining Length of Forks on Antlers</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Lay straight edge along inside edge of main beam above fork (Line 1-2).</li> <li>2. Lay straight edge along inside edge of fork (Line 3-4).</li> <li>3. Measure length of fork from tip to point where straight edges cross (Length of fork as shown by dotted line in diagram must be one inch in order to be legal).</li> </ol>		
<p>(g) <b>Bear:</b> <i>Rifle season</i> There shall be an open season for hunting bear with rifles, shotguns loaded with single slug or ball, and with bow and arrow in the counties of Ashland, Barron, Bayfield, Burnett, Chippewa, Clark, Douglas, Eau Claire, Florence, Forest, Iron, Langlade, Lincoln, Marathon, Marinette, Oconto, Polk, Price, Rusk, Sawyer, Taylor, and Washburn-----</p>	<p>November 19 through November 27</p>	<p>One bear per season.</p>
<p><i>Non-rifle season:</i> There shall be an open season for hunting bear with shotguns only, loaded with single slug or ball, and with bow and arrow in the county of Shawano-----</p>	<p>November 19 through November 27</p>	<p>One bear per season.</p>

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There shall be no open season for bear with firearms in all other counties in the state of Wisconsin.		
<i>Bow and arrow season:</i> There shall be an open season for hunting bear with bow and arrow <i>only</i> in all counties in the state of Wisconsin.	September 24 through November 13	One bear per season.
<i>Trapping season:</i> There shall be no open season for trapping bear in the state of Wisconsin.	None	

## (4) FUR-BEARING ANIMALS.

(a) <b>Muskrat:</b> All that part of the state of Wisconsin lying north of state highway 64.	October 20 through November 18 (Water sets permitted)	No bag limit
All that part of the state of Wisconsin lying south of state highway 64 and north of a line beginning at the junction of U. S. highway 18 with the west boundary of Crawford county, thence southeasterly along said highway 18 to its junction with state highway 60, thence easterly along said highway 60 and eastward to Lake Michigan.	October 28 through November 26 (Water sets permitted)	No bag limit
All that part of the state of Wisconsin lying south of a line beginning at the junction of U. S. highway 18 with the west boundary of Crawford county, thence southeasterly along said highway 18 to its junction with state highway 60, thence easterly along said highway 60 and eastward to Lake Michigan.	November 5 through December 4 (Water sets permitted)	No bag limit
That part of Dodge county lying north of state highway 60; Waupaca, Waushara, and Winnebago counties.	November 27 through March 15 (Water sets prohibited)	No bag limit
(b) <b>Mink</b> All that part of the state of Wisconsin lying north of state highway 64.	October 20 through November 18 (Water sets permitted)	No bag limit
	November 19 through December 18 (Water sets prohibited)	No bag limit
All that part of the state of Wisconsin lying south of state highway 64 and north of a line beginning at the junction of U. S. highway 18 with the west boundary of Crawford county; thence southeasterly along said highway 18 to its junction with state highway 60, thence easterly along said highway 60 and eastward to Lake Michigan.	October 28 through November 26 (Water sets permitted)	No bag limit
	November 27 through December 26 (Water sets prohibited)	No bag limit

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All that part of the state of Wisconsin lying south of a line beginning at the junction of U. S. highway 18 with the west boundary of Crawford county, thence southeasterly along said highway 18 to its junction with state highway 60, thence easterly along said highway 60 and eastward to Lake Michigan.....	November 5 through December 4 (Water sets permitted)  December 5 through January 3 (Water sets prohibited)	No bag limit  No bag limit
That part of Dodge county lying north of state highway 60; Waupaca, Waushara, and Winnebago counties.....	November 27 through March 15 (Water sets prohibited)	No bag limit
(c) <b>Beaver</b> Ashland, Barron, Bayfield, Burnett, Chipewewa, Columbia, Crawford, Dane, Door, Douglas, Florence, Fond du Lac, Forest, Grant, Iowa, Iron, Langlade, Lincoln, Marinette, Oconto, Oneida, Polk, Price, Richland, Rusk, Sauk, Sawyer, Taylor, Vernon, Vilas, and Washburn counties.....	February 25 through March 26	20 per season
Iron county, and all that part of Vilas county lying north of the following line: beginning at the junction of the Iron county line and U. S. highway 51, thence easterly along said highway to its junction with county highway K, thence easterly along county highway K to its junction with U. S. highway 45, thence southerly along said highway to its junction with state highway 70, thence easterly along said highway to its junction with the Forest county line.....	March 27 through April 20	No bag limit
There shall be an open season on beaver in the Pine and Popple rivers and all of their tributaries in Forest and Florence counties lying west of state highway 101; in the Peshtigo river and all of its tributaries in Forest county; in the Wolf river and the South Branch of the Oconto river and all of their tributaries in Langlade county; and in the South Branch of the Oconto river and all of its tributaries in Oconto county lying north of the north boundary of the Menominee Indian Reservation.....	March 27 through April 30	No bag limit
There shall be no open season for beaver in all other counties of the state of Wisconsin except in the Necedah national wildlife refuge in Juneau county by federal permit. See section WCD 10.16.....	None	-----
The skins of all beaver taken in the aforesaid open seasons beginning on March 27 and extending through April 20 and April 30, respectively, shall be tagged, pursuant to section 29.132, Wis. Stats., in the county where trapped.		
(d) <b>Otter</b> Ashland, Barron, Bayfield, Burnett, Chipewewa, Columbia, Crawford, Dane, Door, Douglas, Florence, Fond du Lac, Forest, Grant, Iowa, Iron, Langlade, Lincoln, Marinette, Oconto, Polk, Price, Richland, Rusk, Sauk, Sawyer, Taylor, Vernon, and Washburn counties.....	February 25 through March 26	2 per season
In all other counties.....	None	-----

(e) **Muskrats taken in beaver traps.** 1. Any person duly licensed pursuant to section 29.132, Wis. Stats., may salvage not to exceed eight muskrats which are taken in beaver traps during the open season for beaver and incidental to the licensee's beaver trapping operations.

2. All such muskrat pelts shall be tagged with a metal tag immediately when the animal is taken; such tags to be furnished by the conservation commission upon request. Any unused tags so furnished shall be returned to the commission at the time the licensee makes his beaver trapping report pursuant to section 29.132 (4), Wis. Stats.

3. All muskrat pelts taken pursuant to this section shall be exhibited for inspection, together with any beaver pelts taken, in the same manner as is provided for presenting beaver by section 29.132 (3) (a), Wis. Stats.

(f) **Tagging of otter pelt and carcass.** The pelt and carcass of all otter taken by any trapper shall be exhibited to a conservation warden by the trapper within 5 days after the close of the otter trapping season. The conservation warden shall thereupon attach and lock to each such pelt a metal tag and it shall be unlawful for any person to have in possession or under control any otter pelt taken during such open season without such tag attached as provided herein. For each such otter carcass surrendered to the conservation warden the state conservation commission will pay to the trapper the sum of \$2.

**WCD 10.02 Wild animals protected at all times.** (1) There shall be no open season on badger, woodchuck, moose, elk, white deer (albino), marten, fisher, wolverine, white squirrel (albino), or flying squirrel.

(2) There shall be no open season on Chukar partridge, Canada spruce grouse (spruce hen), turkeys, mourning doves, swans, cranes, bitterns, eagles, plovers, sandpipers, all species of hawks and owls except great-horned owls or on any other song birds or wild birds not specified in this chapter.

**WCD 10.03 Wild animals protected with exceptions.** There shall be no open season on kingfishers except on federal, state, and licensed private fish hatcheries, or on great blue heron or cormorant within 1,000 feet of any rookery used by those birds for nesting purposes.

**WCD 10.04 Unprotected wild animals.** (1) There shall be no closed season on timber wolves, brush wolves (coyote), wildcats, lynx, any species of foxes and mutations thereof, opossum, skunk, weasel, and all other wild mammals not specifically mentioned in this chapter.

(2) There shall be no closed season on great-horned owls, crows, starlings, red-winged blackbirds, cowbirds, and English sparrows.

**WCD 10.05 Highways.** (1) There shall be a closed season from November 19 to November 27, inclusive, for hunting all species of wild animals and birds within a distance of 200 feet from the center line of any state forest road in Vilas county and of any federal, state, or county highway in those counties or parts of counties where an open season for hunting deer with firearms has been established.

(2) There shall be a closed season from September 24 to November 13, inclusive, for hunting all species of wild animals and birds with bow and arrow within a distance of 200 feet from the center line of any state forest road in Vilas county and of any federal, state, or



county highway in those counties or parts of counties where an open season for hunting deer with bow and arrow only has been established.

**WCD 10.06 Hunting hours.** (1) All hunting hours when specified in this chapter mean central standard time.

(2) The hunting hours for each species of game, except deer, on which an open season is established (except raccoon, fox, skunk, and opossum for which there are no hunting hour restrictions) shall be from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour before sunset as listed in the following table and it shall be unlawful for any person to hunt or shoot such game on any day during the open season before the time listed in the A.M. column or after the time listed in the P.M. column.

(3) The hunting hours for deer shall be from one-half hour before sunrise as listed in the following table to sunset and it shall be unlawful for any person to hunt or shoot deer on any day during the open season before the time listed in the A.M. column or after 30 minutes after the time listed in the P.M. column in said table.

(4) The hunting hours listed in the following table shall apply to the entire state.

(5)

Day	September		October		November		December		January		February		March	
	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
1	4:51	6:02	5:24	5:09	6:01	4:20	6:38	3:54	6:58	4:03	6:42	4:39	6:04	5:16
2	4:52	6:01	5:25	5:07	6:02	4:18	6:39	3:53	6:59	4:04	6:41	4:41	6:02	5:17
3	4:53	5:59	5:26	5:05	6:04	4:17	6:40	3:53	6:59	4:05	6:40	4:42	6:00	5:19
4	4:54	5:57	5:27	5:04	6:05	4:16	6:41	3:53	6:59	4:06	6:39	4:43	5:59	5:20
5	4:55	5:55	5:28	5:02	6:06	4:15	6:42	3:53	6:59	4:07	6:38	4:45	5:57	5:21
6	4:56	5:54	5:30	5:00	6:08	4:13	6:44	3:52	6:58	4:08	6:37	4:46	5:55	5:22
7	4:57	5:52	5:31	4:58	6:09	4:12	6:44	3:52	6:58	4:09	6:36	4:47	5:54	5:24
8	4:59	5:50	5:32	4:57	6:10	4:11	6:45	3:52	6:58	4:10	6:34	4:49	5:52	5:25
9	5:00	5:48	5:33	4:55	6:11	4:10	6:46	3:52	6:58	4:11	6:33	4:50	5:50	5:26
10	5:01	5:47	5:34	4:53	6:13	4:09	6:47	3:52	6:58	4:12	6:32	4:51	5:48	5:27
11	5:02	5:45	5:35	4:52	6:14	4:08	6:48	3:52	6:57	4:13	6:31	4:53	5:47	5:28
12	5:03	5:43	5:37	4:50	6:15	4:07	6:49	3:52	6:57	4:14	6:29	4:54	5:45	5:30
13	5:04	5:41	5:38	4:48	6:17	4:06	6:50	3:53	6:57	4:15	6:28	4:55	5:43	5:31
14	5:05	5:39	5:39	4:47	6:18	4:05	6:51	3:53	6:56	4:16	6:27	4:57	5:42	5:32
15	5:06	5:38	5:40	4:45	6:19	4:04	6:51	3:53	6:56	4:18	6:25	4:58	5:40	5:33
16	5:07	5:36	5:41	4:43	6:20	4:03	6:52	3:53	6:55	4:19	6:24	4:59	5:38	5:34
17	5:08	5:34	5:43	4:42	6:22	4:02	6:53	3:54	6:55	4:20	6:22	5:01	5:36	5:36
18	5:10	5:32	5:44	4:40	6:23	4:01	6:53	3:54	6:54	4:21	6:21	5:02	5:34	5:37
19	5:11	5:30	5:45	4:39	6:24	4:00	6:54	3:54	6:54	4:22	6:19	5:03	5:33	5:38
20	5:12	5:29	5:46	4:37	6:25	4:00	6:55	3:55	6:53	4:24	6:18	5:05	5:31	5:39
21	5:13	5:27	5:47	4:35	6:27	3:59	6:55	3:55	6:52	4:25	6:16	5:06	5:29	5:40
22	5:14	5:25	5:49	4:34	6:28	3:58	6:55	3:55	6:52	4:26	6:15	5:07	5:27	5:41
23	5:15	5:23	5:50	4:32	6:29	3:58	6:56	3:56	6:51	4:28	6:13	5:08	5:26	5:43
24	5:16	5:21	5:51	4:31	6:30	3:57	6:56	3:57	6:50	4:29	6:12	5:10	5:24	5:44
25	5:17	5:20	5:52	4:29	6:31	3:56	6:56	3:57	6:49	4:30	6:10	5:11	5:22	5:45
26	5:18	5:18	5:54	4:28	6:33	3:56	6:57	3:58	6:48	4:32	6:08	5:12	5:20	5:46
27	5:19	5:16	5:55	4:26	6:34	3:55	6:58	3:59	6:47	4:33	6:07	5:14	5:19	5:47
28	5:21	5:14	5:56	4:25	6:35	3:55	6:58	3:59	6:47	4:34	6:05	5:15	5:17	5:48
29	5:22	5:12	5:57	4:24	6:36	3:54	6:58	4:00	6:46	4:35	6:04	5:16	5:15	5:50
30	5:23	5:11	5:59	4:22	6:37	3:54	6:58	4:01	6:45	4:37	-----	-----	5:13	5:51
31	-----	-----	6:00	4:21	-----	-----	6:58	4:02	6:44	4:38	-----	-----	5:11	5:52

**WCD 10.07 Hunting, prohibited methods.** (1) No person shall hunt game with any means other than the use of a gun discharged from the shoulder or a bow and arrow, except that .22 rim-fire hand guns may be used in the same manner and for the same purposes and subject to the same restrictions as .22 rim-fire rifles.

(2) No person shall place, spread, or set any net, pitfall, snare, spring gun, pivot gun, swivel gun, or other similar contrivance for the purpose of catching or which might catch, take, or ensnare game; nor with the aid of an airplane, including the use of an airplane to spot, rally, or drive game for hunters on the ground.

(3) No person shall carry with him in or on any motor-driven boat while the motor is running, any firearm or bow unless such firearm is unloaded and unless such bow is unstrung; or in or on any vehicle or automobile any firearm or bow unless such firearm is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case and unless such bow is unstrung or enclosed within a carrying case; nor load or shoot any firearms or bow and arrow from any automobile, aircraft, or other vehicle, stationary or moving; nor shall any person have in his possession or under his control any firearm or bow and arrow in or on any vehicle or automobile while shining any wild animal.

(4) It shall be unlawful for any person to shoot into or molest or destroy the nest of any squirrel at any time of the year.

(5) No person shall take, catch, kill, pursue, hunt, shoot, or shoot at any upland game bird, or migratory bird with a rifle at any time.

(6) No person shall hunt or pursue any wild animals in the nighttime with a dog for the period of 15 days prior to the open season for raccoon.

(7) (a) No person shall use or have in his possession or under his control any ferret, fitch, rat, weasel or guinea pig while hunting, except as provided in this subsection. The owner or occupant of any land where rabbits are found to be doing damage may request from the state conservation commission a permit to use a ferret or fitch for hunting rabbits thereon.

(b) No person shall have in his possession or under his control or use, for hunting rabbits, any snare, trap or any device or contrivance designed or used for the purpose of driving rabbits out of their holes or dens.

**WCD 10.08 Permits for trapping rabbits and hares.** (1) The state conservation commission or its duly authorized agents are hereby authorized at their discretion to issue permits for the use of box traps and figure 4 traps, such traps not to exceed 4 feet in diameter or 2 feet in height, and wire snares made or constructed of copper wire not larger than 20 gauge or with picture wire, and with a snare loop of not more than 6 inches across at its widest point for the purpose of taking, catching, or killing rabbits or hares within the boundaries of any national, state, or county forest areas where tree plantations, natural or otherwise, are in danger of being destroyed by rabbits or hares.

(2) Any person, persons, or agencies wishing to control rabbits or hares upon or in the vicinity of such areas shall first make a written application to the conservation department for a permit to do so. Such application shall state therein the purpose for which control is believed necessary and such other information as the conservation commission has required in its rules and regulations to be followed by all persons or agencies co-operating with the conservation commission in such matters, adopted on April 14, 1936.

(3) No such permit may be issued for the snaring or trapping of rabbits or hares on private lands except wherein the applicant files

with his application a written statement from the owner of the land whereon the rabbits or hares are to be trapped or snared, giving the landowner's consent. All rabbit control activities authorized by a conservation department permit shall be subject at all times to inspection by duly authorized agents of the state conservation commission or department.

**WCD 10.09 Guns and ammunition.** (1) No person shall, except on his own land, have in possession or under his control any rifle or shotgun on any of the inland waters of the state or in places where wild ducks, geese or coot are to be found from the fifteenth day of August to the opening date for hunting aquatic or upland game birds.

(2) It shall be unlawful for any person to carry or have in his possession or under control while hunting or pursuing any game birds, game animals or other wild animals any shell, cartridge or ammunition known as tracer shells, burning tracer shells or any incendiary shells or cartridges which may be discharged from any shotgun, rifle or other firearms.

(3) No person shall have in possession any rifle in territory wherein there is an open season for hunting deer with shotgun only during such open season unless such rifle is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case.

(4) No person shall have in possession any firearm in territory wherein there is an open season for deer with firearms for a period of 5 days prior to the opening date for deer hunting unless the firearm is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case, except that waterfowl hunters shall be permitted to hunt waterfowl continually during the open season with shotguns only, except .410 bore, and shot not larger than No. BB.

(5) It shall be unlawful for any person to carry in any manner or have in possession or under control any .22 rim-fire rifle or any .410 bore shotgun or any shotgun loaded with ammunition other than single ball or slug, or to have ammunition other than a single ball or slug in possession from 5 days prior to the opening of a deer season with firearms in areas or counties where there is an open season for deer through the close of such season while in, on or traversing any field or forest lands in the counties or parts of counties where an open season for hunting deer with guns has been established unless said firearm is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case.

(6) The provisions of section 29.24, Wis. Stats., and subsections (4) and (5) of this section prohibiting the possession of firearms and ammunition do not apply to Brown, Calumet, Columbia, Crawford, Dane, Dodge, Fond du Lac, Grant, Iowa, Jefferson, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Ozaukee, Richland, Sauk, Sheboygan, Vernon, Walworth, Washington, Waukesha and Winnebago counties and in those counties it shall be lawful to hunt all species of wild animals throughout the open season. While hunting small game under the authority of this subsection, in the above named counties, except Iowa, Richland, Sauk, and Vernon counties, it shall be unlawful for any person to use or have in possession or under control any rifle other than a .22 rim fire; and in such hunting in all of the above named counties it shall be unlawful for any person to use or have in possession in the nighttime any shotgun ammunition loaded with shot larger than No. BB

or with single slug or ball. This subsection shall not be construed to permit the hunting of deer or bear with a .22 rim-fire rifle or any .410 bore shotgun.

(7) It shall be unlawful for any person to take, capture, or kill or wound or shoot at any deer or bear with any .22 rim-fire rifle or any .410 bore shotgun.

**WCD 10.10 Deer and bear hunting.** (1) No person while hunting or in possession of firearms or bow and arrow shall have in possession or under control any light used for the purpose of shining deer.

(2) No person shall hunt deer or bear in the water of any stream, lake, or pond; or with a dog or dogs; or with the aid of artificial light; or with the aid of an airplane, including the use of an airplane to spot, rally, or drive deer for hunters on the ground; nor place any salt in any place for the purpose of enticing deer thereto; nor construct, occupy, or use any tree, elevated scaffold or other elevated device for the purpose of hunting, watching for, or killing deer or bear.

**WCD 10.11 Bow and arrow hunting.** (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to have in possession or under control any gun or firearms at any time while hunting, killing, or pursuing game with bow and arrow during the open season for hunting deer with bow and arrow only.

(2) Any deer killed during such open season showing evidence that it was shot with a firearm shall be an illegal deer and it shall be unlawful for any person to have such deer in his possession.

(3) No person shall use or have in his possession or under his control while hunting any wild animal or bird any poisoned arrow, arrow with explosive tips, or any bow drawn, held or released by mechanical means. Arrows used for hunting deer or bear shall have well-sharpened metal broad-head blades not less than seven-eighths of an inch in width, and not more than one and one-half inches in width.

(4) No person shall hunt deer or bear with a bow having a pull of less than 30 pounds.

**WCD 10.12 Migratory waterfowl.** (1) **PROHIBITED METHODS.** (a) No person shall hunt any wild ducks, geese, coot (mudhen), rails or gallinules by shooting it or at it from any boat, canoe, raft, blind, contrivance or device in open water except as otherwise provided in this section, or from any boat or craft other than such as are propelled by paddle, oars or pole, or with the use of any decoys beyond 200 feet from the blind or covering in which the hunter is located, or leave any decoys in the water unattended, or hunt any game bird with the use of a rifle.

(b) No person shall shoot or shoot at migratory waterfowl from any pier, dam, dock, or similar structure.

(c) No person shall take waterfowl or coot by means, aid or use of cattle, horses or mules.

(d) No person shall use in any manner any airplane, power boat, sailboat, or other floating craft or device for the purpose of concentrating, driving, rallying or stirring up migratory waterfowl and coot.

(e) It shall be unlawful for any person to use in any manner any sink boat or similar blind that is or can be submerged under the water in any manner for the purpose of hunting, taking, catching, killing,

molesting or shooting at any wild ducks, wild geese, coot, or any other aquatic or migratory game birds; nor shall any person occupy any blind that is being used or can be used for the purpose of taking, catching, killing or shooting at any aquatic or migratory game birds as hereinbefore mentioned after twenty minutes after the closing time prescribed for the hunting or killing of such birds, or before one hour before the opening time for the shooting of such birds.

(2) **OPEN WATER; EXCEPTIONS.** (a) "Open water" is any water outside or beyond a natural growth of vegetation extending over the water surface and of such height as to offer partial or whole concealment for the hunter.

(b) **Blinds in Buffalo, Crawford, Grant, La Crosse, Pepin, Pierce, St. Croix, Trempealeau and Vernon counties.** In any of the waters of the Mississippi river, the St. Croix river, Lake St. Croix and Lake Pepin, and their bays, bayous and sloughs wherein they border on the counties of Buffalo, Crawford, Grant, La Crosse, Pepin, Pierce, St. Croix, Trempealeau and Vernon and in any of the inland lakes of these counties, it shall be lawful for any person to use blinds for the purpose of taking, catching, killing and shooting at wild ducks, wild geese or other aquatic fowl that are set, placed, or located not more than 100 feet from any shoreline during the open season for such game birds. Such blinds shall in all instances be securely anchored to the place or spot where they are to be used.

(c) It shall be lawful for any person to hunt wild ducks, wild geese, and other aquatic fowl during the open season therefor in open water in any of the outlying waters of Lake Michigan under the jurisdiction of the state of Wisconsin excepting Green Bay and the open water area within 500 feet of any shoreline, harbor, pier or breakwater of said lake.

(3) **BAITING.** (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to take, catch or kill any waterfowl or migratory game birds under any circumstances by the aid or use of salt or shelled or shucked or unshucked corn, wheat or other grains or other feed or means of feeding similarly used to lure, attract or entice such birds to, on, or over the area where hunters are attempting to take them.

(b) This subsection shall not be construed to apply to propagating, scientific or other operations in accordance with the terms of lawfully issued state and federal permits, or to the taking of birds over salt blocks, properly shocked corn, standing crops (including aquatics), grains found scattered solely as a result of normal agricultural practices, flooded standing crops or flooded harvested crop lands, or to the feeding of migratory game birds at any time not in connection with hunting.

(4) **LIVE DECOYS.** It shall be unlawful in the taking of any migratory waterfowl to use directly or indirectly any live duck or live goose decoys, regardless of the distance intervening between any such live decoys and the position of the taker.

(5) **GUNS AND AMMUNITION.** (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to take, catch, kill, hunt, or pursue any migratory bird or waterfowl with any shotgun of a larger bore than a No. 10 gauge nor shall any person take, catch, kill, hunt, pursue or shoot at any migratory birds or waterfowl with any automatic-loading or hand-operated repeating shotgun capable of holding more than three shells the maga-

zine of which has not been cut off or plugged with a one-piece metal or wooden filler incapable of removal without disassembling the gun so as to reduce the capacity of said gun to not more than three shells at one time in the magazine and chamber combined nor by any means other than a shotgun fired from the shoulder or a bow and arrow.

(b) No person shall have in his possession or under his control while hunting any migratory game birds any shotgun shells loaded with shot larger than No. BB.

(c) It shall be unlawful for any person to use or have in his possession or under his control more than one gun in any boat or blind while hunting migratory waterfowl in any manner.

**WCD 10.13 Fur-bearing animals; method of taking.** (1) No person shall hunt any mink, muskrat, beaver, or otter with the aid of any spear, gun, or dog, disturb or molest any raccoon den or den trees; disturb or molest any mink den, or disturb or molest any muskrat house, muskrat feeding house, beaver house, or beaver dam, or set any trap or traps at any time within 50 feet of any beaver house or beaver dam, except during the open season for beaver, when it shall be lawful to set traps for beaver not less than 15 feet from any such beaver house, and not less than 30 feet from any such beaver dam.

(2) No person shall set out or place any traps for fur-bearing animals, whether set or sprung, or set out or place any bait or scent for attracting fur-bearing animals thereto during the closed season for such animals.

(3) It shall be unlawful for any person to set or reset any trap or traps or attend any trapline from sunset to one hour before sunrise.

(4) It shall be unlawful for any person to set, place, or operate more than 75 traps of any kind for the purpose of capturing wild fur-bearing animals.

(5) It shall be unlawful for any person to take, capture, or kill, or attempt to take, capture, or kill any fur-bearing animals at any time by means of water sets except during that period when and in those areas where there is an open season for trapping muskrat, beaver, or otter. A water set is any trap which is set or staked in such manner as to permit the trap or trapped animal to reach the water at any point.

**WCD 10.14 Trapping, prohibited methods.** (1) No person shall set a steel-jawed trap or any trap which might kill or injure birds, on a pole, post, tree stump, or any other elevated perch more than 3 feet above the ground.

(2) It shall be unlawful for any person to set, place, or operate any trap other than a steel-jawed trap, chain-loop trap, or live traps so constructed that not more than one animal can be taken or captured in any such trap at a single setting, for the purpose of taking, capturing, or killing fur-bearing animals.

(3) No person shall construct or place on the ice of any of the waters of this state any artificial house or den for the purpose of taking, catching, or killing any fur-bearing animals, or place or set therein any trap or traps of any kind which might take, catch, or kill fur-bearing animals.

**WCD 10.15 Horicon national wildlife refuge. (1) MIGRATORY WATERFOWL.** (a) An open season is established for hunting waterfowl on Horicon national wildlife refuge in Dodge and Fond du Lac counties as limited herein concurrent with the open season provided in section WCD 10.01 (2) (a) and (e), except that there shall be no open season on Monday of each week on such refuge. The open season for hunting waterfowl on the Horicon national wildlife refuge established by this section and the open season for hunting geese in Dodge and Fond du Lac counties established in section WCD 10.01 (2) (e) shall close on an earlier date when the U. S. fish and wildlife service and the director of the state conservation commission of Wisconsin determine that the harvest of the Canada goose population in Dodge and Fond du Lac counties is such that to kill additional Canada geese would be detrimental to and would endanger the breeding stock and the future supply of Canada geese and such close shall take precedence over the provisions of said section WCD 10.01 (2) (e).

(b) Hunting on the Horicon national wildlife refuge is permitted under permit only, as authorized by the U. S. fish and wildlife service, which may be secured by making application in person at a checking station near the refuge.

(c) Hunting on such refuge shall be done only under the following conditions:

The Horicon national wildlife refuge is divided into two units as follows:

1. *Managed hunting unit.* The managed hunting unit varies in width, but is not more than 440 yards wide as marked by single strand of wire or as posted by the conservation department. A single row of blinds spaced approximately 200 yards apart shall be provided by the conservation department to accommodate 2 and not more than 3 hunters per blind.

2. *Refuge unit.* The refuge unit shall include all land in the Horicon national wildlife refuge not designated above as the managed hunting unit. Within this unit, it shall be unlawful to hunt or pursue game in any manner at any time and retrieving crippled game by hunters or their dogs is prohibited. Trespass for any purpose within the refuge unit without first obtaining a permit from the manager of the Horicon national wildlife refuge is prohibited.

3. *Managed hunting unit; prohibitions.* Within the managed hunting unit, it shall be unlawful to:

a. Enter without first having obtained the necessary permit in person at one of the checking stations.

b. Leave the immediate vicinity of the managed hunting unit without first surrendering the permit in person at the checking station where it was obtained. The immediate vicinity of the managed hunting unit is defined as the area which is bounded by the following recognized roads:

**WEST SIDE OF MARSH:**

Dodge county: By county highway I from the junction with state Highway 26, north to the junction of state highway 49.

Fond du Lac county: By the town road, lying east of the west branch of the Rock river, which connects state highway 49 and county highway D.

## NORTH END OF MARSH:

Fond du Lac county: County highway D from the junction of the above-mentioned town road, lying east of the west branch of the Rock river, east to the junction with county highway B.

## EAST SIDE OF MARSH:

Fond du Lac county: County highway B from junction of county highway D, south to state highway 49.

Dodge county: County highway Z from junction with state highway 49, south to the junction of the north-south town road in section 3 of T. 12 N., R. 16 E., and south on the town road for 1 mile.

4. Blinds will be assigned to hunters each day in the field at 2 hunter-check stations.

5. Hunters must form a line to apply for blinds. Busses will not be permitted in the line. Automobiles must be occupied at all times by persons desiring to register for blinds.

6. Hunters must register in person for blinds, and must submit their hunting licenses for inspection.

7. Permits to hunt on the unit are nontransferable.

8. Hunters may use their own goose decoys, but not more than 50 per person.

9. A service fee of \$1 per person per day shall be paid by each person 12 years of age or older who occupies a blind.

10. Hunting of upland game and deer is prohibited.

11. Waterfowl shooting shall be from blinds only. When going to and from blinds, hunters must keep their guns in a carrying case.

12. Hunters shall not use their guns to pursue crippled game in the managed hunting unit. Waterfowl falling in the refuge unit cannot be pursued, but should be reported at the checking station.

13. Dogs are not allowed on the area.

14. Hunters having bagged two Canada geese shall not be permitted to hunt on the unit thereafter. Only general federal and state regulations apply to blue and snow geese and other waterfowl.

15. Each hunter shall remove his empty cans, bottles, and other refuse.

16. Each hunter shall leave his blind promptly at the daily closing hour.

17. When finished hunting each hunter must surrender, in person, his numbered arm band at the checking station through which he entered, and there submit for examination such game as he may have bagged. The number of Canada geese he bagged will be punched on his hunting license.

(2) HUNTING AND TRAPPING. (a) In the discretion of the fish and wildlife service an open season for trapping muskrat, mink, and raccoon within the Horicon national wildlife refuge may be declared under written permit from the fish and wildlife service or its authorized representative, and with the approval of the conservation director, between the dates of October 25, 1955 and April 15, 1956. Open seasons for hunting or trapping all other fur-bearing animals within the Horicon national wildlife refuge may be declared in the same manner at any time during the state season on such fur-bearing animals. Such permits shall be subject to all of the rules and regulations



governing hunting and trapping set forth in this chapter except that the use of not more than 125 traps and the use of wet or dry sets may be authorized by such permits.

(b) All other fur-bearing animal seasons on Horicon marsh on both federal and state-owned areas will concur with the state season on these fur-bearers and hunting and trapping will be permitted only under permit.

(c) There shall be an open season for hunting deer of any age, either sex, with bow and arrow only within the Horicon national wildlife refuge from December 10 through December 19, with a bag limit of one deer per season.

**WCD 10.16 Necedah national wildlife refuge, Juneau county.** Except as provided in subsections (1) and (2) of this section, it shall be unlawful for any person to take, catch, kill, hunt, trap, or pursue any species of wild animal or bird at any time, or have in possession or under control any firearm unless the same is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case upon that area known as the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge in Juneau county, Wisconsin.

(1) Within the discretion of the fish and wildlife service an open season for muskrats, mink, and raccoon with no bag limit and on beaver with a bag limit of 20 per season may be declared within the Necedah national wildlife refuge under written permit from the fish and wildlife service and with the approval of the conservation director between the dates of October 25, 1955 and April 15, 1956. All other fur-bearing animal seasons on the Necedah national wildlife refuge, except for otter on which there shall be a closed season, shall concur with the state season on these fur-bearers and trapping shall be authorized only under permits issued by the fish and wildlife service with the approval of the conservation director.

(2) There shall be an open season for deer hunting with bow and arrow only from September 24 to November 13, 1955, inclusive, and from December 10, 1955 to January 1, 1956, inclusive, one deer per season of either sex and any age, on the Necedah national wildlife refuge (except posted closed areas). No special permits shall be required, but hunting license and regulation deer tag as required by statutes are necessary.

**WCD 10.20 Recording of deer.** (1) **TAKEN BY BOW AND ARROW HUNTING.** Each holder of a legally issued hunting license, having secured a regular deer tag, who has legally killed a legal deer with bow and arrow shall contact within 24 hours thereafter a state conservation warden or authorized personnel in the county in which the deer has been killed, holding such deer intact with no part removed except the entrails, for a period of at least 24 hours after said warden or authorized personnel has been contacted or until inspected by said officer. Upon approval by the officer, said officer shall fill out and sign a special transportation tag for deer killed by means of bow and arrow, indicating the deer to be legal and authorizing it to be transported as such, and such tag shall remain attached to the carcass of said deer until it is finally consumed. All regulations for the hunting, transportation, and possession of deer as prescribed by statute or conservation commission order must also be complied with. In addition, the

licensee shall report all pertinent information requested to the conservation department at Madison on a card provided by the department for this purpose, within 24 hours after the taking of such deer.

(2) **TAKEN WITH RIFLE AND SHOTGUN.** (a) Each holder of a valid deer hunting license who has killed a deer during the open season for hunting deer with guns shall exhibit such deer, with his deer tag attached as required by section 29.40 (1), Wis. Stats., to a conservation warden or other authorized conservation department personnel not later than midnight of the 3rd day following the close of such season. Such deer shall be wholly intact except that it may be field-dressed. Upon approval by the officer, said officer shall attach a special tag to such deer indicating that it has been inspected and recorded and such tag shall remain attached and locked to said deer until the carcass is finally consumed.

(b) Any deer so taken in any county wherein there is an open season for hunting deer of any age, either sex, shall be exhibited and tagged as provided herein in the county in which the deer was killed not later than midnight of the third day following the close of such season in such county, and such deer shall not be removed from said county unless it has been so exhibited and tagged. Any deer taken on any of the islands in the outlying waters of Lake Superior in Ashland and Bayfield counties shall be exhibited and tagged as provided herein at the registration station in the city of Bayfield.

**WCD 10.21 Possession of game.** (1) Opening day limits. On the opening day, no person shall have in his possession or under his control more than a daily bag limit of upland game birds, gray or fox squirrels, cottontail rabbits, jackrabbits and snowshoe hares, or migratory game birds for which an open season is prescribed.

(2) It shall be unlawful for any person to have in his possession or under his control, or in storage or retention, any migratory game birds or any part or carcass of such birds after 90 days after the close of the season for such birds.

(3) Except as provided in section 29.579, Wis. Stats., no person shall keep alive in captivity any animal or bird on which there is a closed season at any time unless a game or fur farm license has been first obtained from the state conservation commission.