

2009-2010 Seasons, Dates and Limits

Species	Opening Date	Closing Date	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Season Limit			
*Wild Boar (Gun)	October 24	October 31	1					
*Wild Boar (Archery)	October 17	December 31						
*Deer (Buck)	November 23	December 5	See pages 12-16 and antlerless table page 19. See pages 17, 24 and 29 for special September Archery and Muzzleloader seasons.					
*Deer (Archery)	September 14	September 19						
Split Season	October 17	December 31						
*Deer (Antlerless)	November 23**	December 12						
Split Season	December 29	December 31						
Hampshire County	October 30	October 31						
*Deer (Muzzleloader)	September 21	September 26						
Split Season	December 14	December 19						
*Deer (Youth/Class Q/QQ)	October 31	October 31				1		
Split Season (See pages 30-31)	December 26	December 28				1	2	2
*Bear (Archery)	October 17	November 21	1 See pages 37-38					
*Bear (Gun) (Selected Counties - page 38)	September 21	September 26						
	November 23	December 5						
	December 7	December 31						
*Turkey, Fall (Selected Counties) (Selected Counties - page 33)	October 24	November 21	1					
Preston County	October 24	October 31						
	October 24	November 7						
*Turkey (Spring 2010 - Bearded Only)	April 26	May 22	1	2	2			
*Turkey (2010 Youth Hunt - page 33)	April 24	April 24	1 - counts towards spring season bag limit of two					
Squirrel (Gray, Black, Albino and Fox)	October 10	January 31	6	24	None			
Squirrel (Youth Hunt - page 31)	October 3	October 3	6					
Ruffed Grouse	October 17	February 28	4	16	None			
Bobwhite Quail	November 7	January 2	3	9	None			
Cottontail Rabbit	November 7	February 28	5	20	None			
Snowshoe or Varying Hare	November 7	February 28	2	8	None			
Ring-necked Pheasant (cock birds only)	November 7	January 2	2	2	None			
Hillcrest WMA (cock birds only)	November 14	December 5	1	1	None			
Raccoon (Hunting) The bag limit during an 11-hour period beginning at 6 p.m. and ending at 5 a.m. is four raccoons for each person or groups of persons hunting as a party.	October 17	February 28	4	See definition of possession limit on page 8.	None			
Raccoon (Trapping)	November 7	February 28	None					
Red Fox, Gray Fox (Hunting and Trapping)	November 7	February 28	None					
*Bobcat (Hunting and Trapping)	November 7	February 28	3					
Mink, Muskrat (Trapping)	November 7	February 28	None					
*Fisher (Trapping)	November 7	January 31	1					
*Beaver (Trapping)	November 7	March 31	None					
Crow	October 1	November 21	None					
Split Season	January 1	March 6						
<i>Nuisance Crows - crows committing depredations upon ornamental or shade trees, agricultural crops, home gardens, livestock, or wildlife, or when concentrated so as to constitute a health hazard and or other nuisance may be killed at any time.</i>								
Coyote (day)	Continuous Open Season		None					
Coyote (night)***	January 1	July 31						
Skunk, Opossum, Woodchuck, Weasel, English Sparrow, European Starling and Pigeon	Continuous Open Season		None					
Skunk, Opossum, Coyote, and Weasel (Trapping)	November 7	February 28						
Mountain Lion, Elk, Otter, Song and Insectivorous Birds, Hawks, Falcons and Eagles			No Open Season					
Geese, Ducks, Mourning Doves, Gallinules, Rails, Woodcock, and Common Snipe	Harvest Information Program (HIP) card required. See WVDNR Migratory Bird Hunting regulations available in September.							
*Must be checked at an official game checking station			**December 6 Closed	***Can only use amber-colored or red-colored light				