

## UPCOMING FREE FISHING DAYS

Every year, New York State offers **Free Fishing Days** – opportunities for citizens to try fishing without needing a fishing license. There are still more opportunities in 2021:

**SEPTEMBER 25**  
**NOVEMBER 11**

Learn more at:

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/89821.html>



## 2021 LEGISLATIVE SESSION SUMMARY

**As a staunch supporter of the Second Amendment, Mike Norris will always defend our constitutional right to bear arms.** Despite Albany's attempts to infringe on this right, Mike consistently votes to defend our freedom, including this session when he voted **AGAINST** bills such as microstamping (A.7926) and expanding liability for crimes committed with guns, parts, or ammunition to the stores where they were purchased (A.6762).

Mike Norris is also working to enhance opportunities for law-abiding gun owners and support traditional heritage sports like hunting and fishing. He sponsors legislation to promote hunting, fishing, and outdoor recreation as part of traditional physical education courses in grades 9 through 12 (A.4942).



## ONLINE HUNTER EDUCATION COURSE AVAILABLE

**Every hunter knows safety is the most important thing when handling a gun.** To stay up to date with NYS hunting safety regulations required for your hunting license, you can now take a course online. Go to the DEC's website to sign up at the link below! Online classes are also offered for bow hunters.

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/92267.html>



**\*Information courtesy of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. For more information on hunting safety tips, hunting seasons, or to obtain your license, please go online to:**

**<https://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/hunting.html>**



# 2021-22 Hunting & Trapping Seasons Summary

For complete rules and regulations see Official New York Hunting & Trapping Guide to Laws & Regulations

# Department of Environmental Conservation



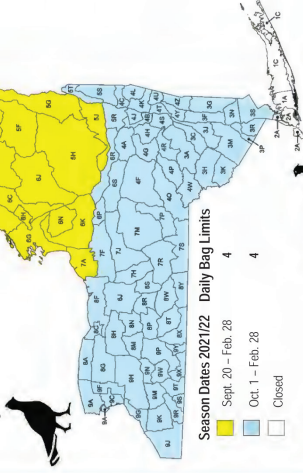
**Remember to Report Your Game Harvest**

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Most regulations are in effect September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022

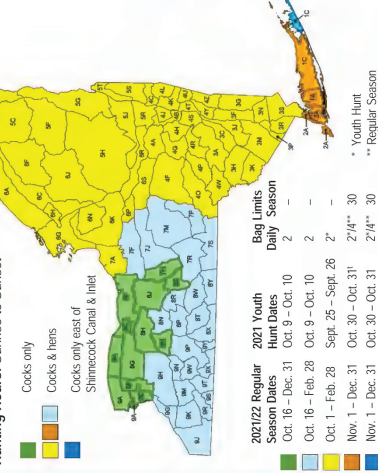
## RUFFED GROUSE HUNTING

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset



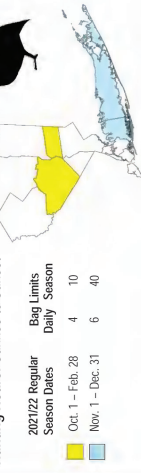
## PHEASANT HUNTING

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset



## BOBWHITE QUAIL HUNTING

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset



## RACCOON, FOX, SKUNK, OPOSSUM & WEASEL HUNTING

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

Long Island: Nov. 1 – Feb. 25  
All other areas of New York: Oct. 25 – Feb. 15

There are no bag limits for these species. They may be hunted during the day or night, except weasel, which may only be hunted from sunrise to sunset.

## COYOTE HUNTING

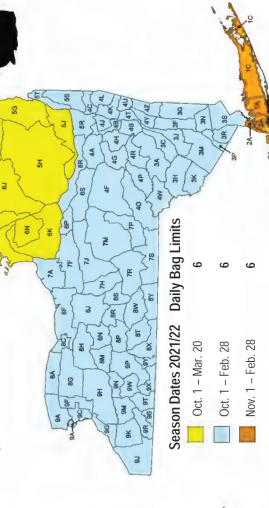
Statewide except Long Island and New York City:

Oct. 1 – Mar. 27

There are no bag limits for coyotes. They may be hunted during the day or night.

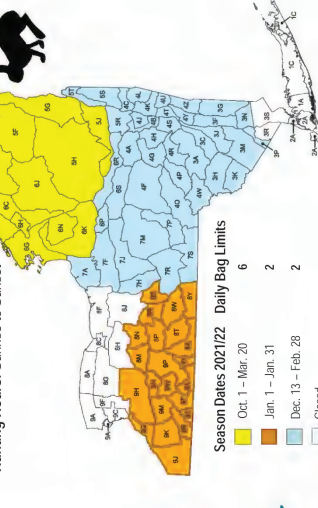
## COTTONTAIL RABBIT HUNTING

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset



## VARYING HARE HUNTING

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset



## GRAY, BLACK & FOX SQUIRREL HUNTING

Daily bag limit of 6 total, regardless of species.

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

Long Island: Nov. 1 – Feb. 28

All other areas of New York: Sept. 1 – Feb. 28

Red squirrels are unprotected, and may be hunted at any time without limit.

## BOBCAT HUNTING

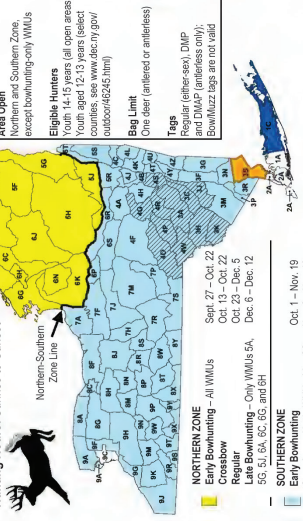
Hunting Hours: After sunrise on opening day, and at any hour, day or night, for the rest of the open hunting season.



If you take a bobcat you must:  
• Complete a tubersation possession permit  
• Carry the permit or unskinned animal skull.

## REGULAR & BOWHUNTING DEER SEASONS 2021

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset



## YOUTH FIREARMS SEASON

Season Dates: Oct. 9 – 11, 2021

Area Open: All of upstate New York north of the Bronx-Westchester County boundary

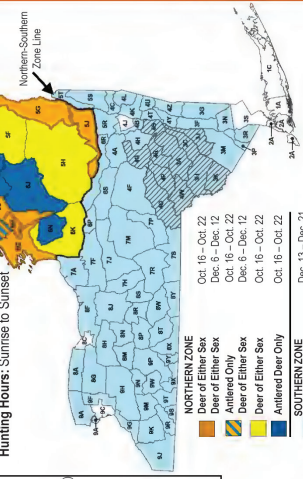
Eligible Hunters: Youth (14-15 years) (all open areas)

Bag Limit: One deer (antlered or antlerless)

Tags: Regular (either sex), DMP and DMAP (antlerless only); Bow/Muzz tags are not valid.

## 2021 MUZZLELOADING DEER SEASONS

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset



## CROSSBOWS

Antler Point Restrictions: May be used to hunt deer during the Northern and Southern Zone Regular seasons.

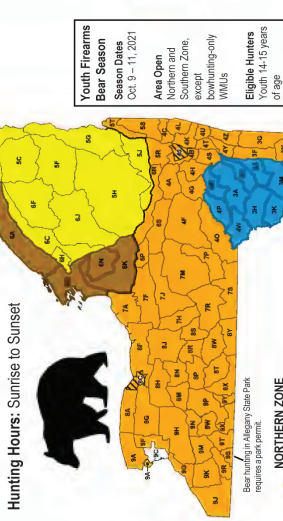
May not be used to hunt deer at least one antler with 3 or more points that are at least 1 inch long. Young hunters (ages 12-16) are exempt.

No Muzzleloading Season

## 2021 FALL TURKEY SEASONS

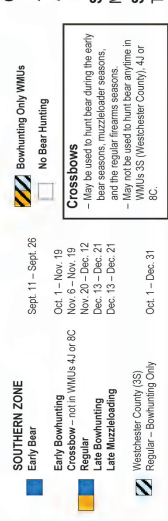
Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

Season Bag Limit: 1 bird of either sex



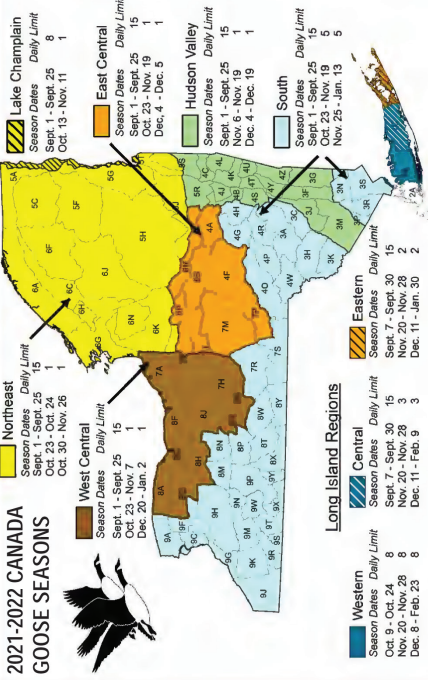
## 2021 BLACK BEAR SEASONS

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

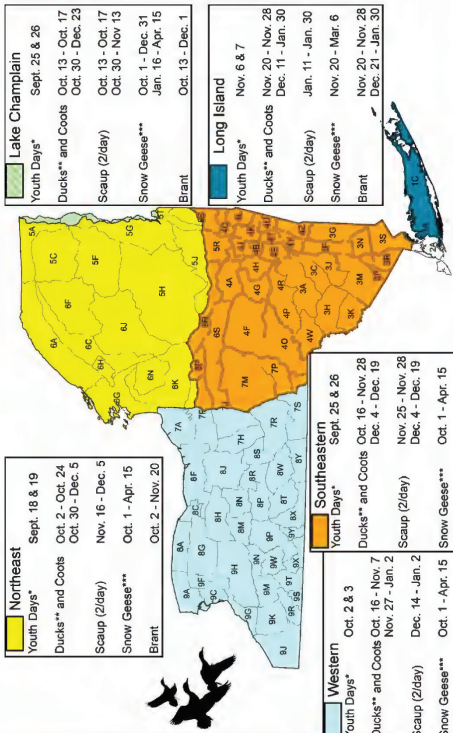


May be used to hunt bear during the early season (Sept. 18 – Oct. 22) and the regular firearms seasons, but may not be used to hunt bear anytime in WMUs 3S (Westchester County), 4J or 8C.

2021-2022 CANADA GOOSE SEASONS



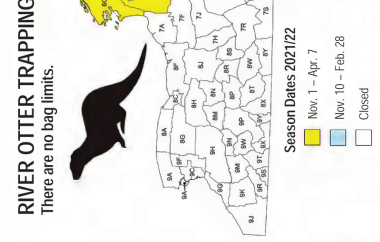
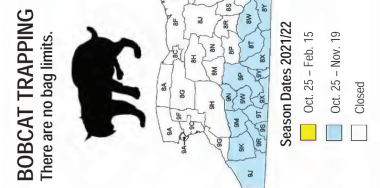
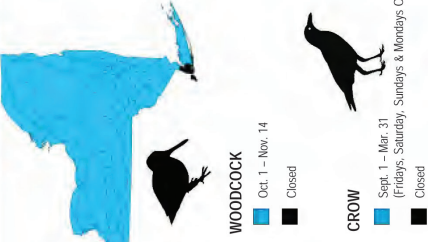
2021-2022 WATERFOWL SEASONS



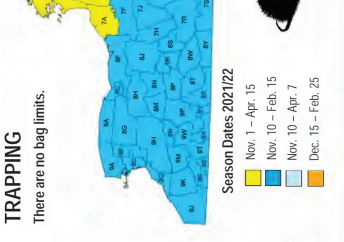
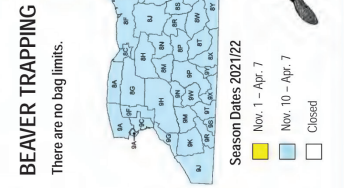
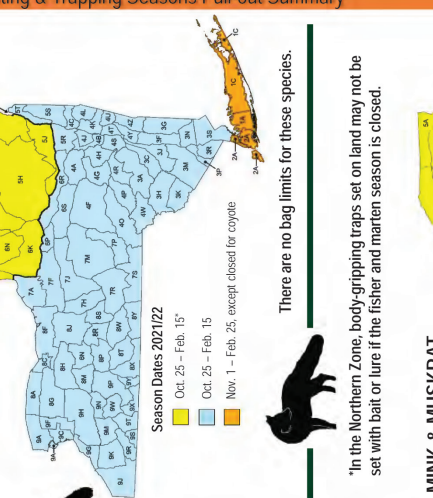
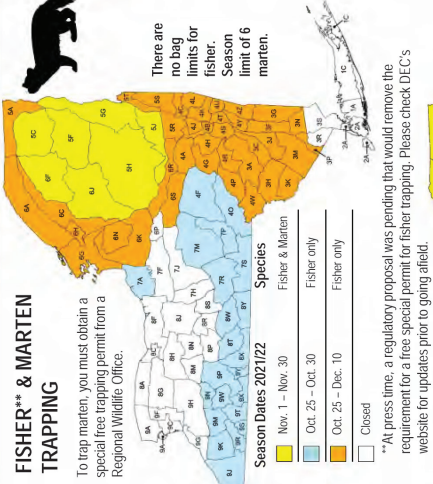
\* Youth hunters, 12 to 15 years of age, possessing a junior hunting license and HIP registration, may hunt ducks, mergansers, Canada geese, brant, gallinules, and coot on two (2) special days in each zone. Daily bag limits are the same as those allowed during the regular hunting season for all species. Youth hunters must be accompanied by a licensed (including current HIP registration and duck stamp) adult hunter, but the adult hunter may only shoot migratory game birds if the respective hunting season is open for hunters of all ages.

\*\* Crippled sea ducks may be taken under power in the Special Sea Duck area. The Special Sea Duck Area is defined as all coastal waters and all waters of rivers and streams in New York State seaward from the first upstream bridge.

\*\*\* Snow goose seasons include both the regular hunting season and the Conservation Order that runs from January 16 – April 15 in all zones (except Long Island).



**REMINDER**  
If you take a fisher, marten, bobcat, or river otter, YOU MUST:  
• Complete a furbearer possession tag, AND  
• Get the pelt or unskinned animal sealed.



Bag Limits

Species	Daily Limit	Possession Limit
Ducks*	6	18
Coot	15	45
Canada Goose	See Map	No Limit
Snow Geese <sup>b</sup>	25	No Limit
Brant	2	6

The daily bag limit is the maximum number of birds of each species that any person may take or possess in the field during any one day. The possession limit is three times the daily bag limit for all migratory game birds except snow geese.

a. The daily limit of 6 ducks includes all mergansers and sea ducks (scoters, eiders and long-tailed ducks) and may include no harlequin ducks and no more than 2 mallards (1 of which may be a hen), 3 wood ducks, 2 black ducks, 1 pintail, 1 scaup (2 scaup are allowed during the special 20 days specified above for each zone), 2 redheads, 2 canvasbacks, 4 scoters, 4 eiders, 4 long-tailed ducks or 2 hooded mergansers. For all other duck species, the daily limit is no more than 6.

a. Cackling geese and white-fronted geese may be taken as part of the Canada goose daily and possession limits. Snow geese and Ross' geese may be taken as part of the snow goose limits.



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*Mike Norris*

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, New York State modernized its process for fishing and hunting licenses. You can now obtain them online. Go to the link above to learn more and obtain your license today. Active military and some veterans may qualify for reduced fees! When signing up, you can also register to become an organ donor. As an organ donor myself, I encourage you to also register as one. **You could help save the lives of 8 other people.**

Assemblyman  
**MIKE NORRIS**



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**IMPORTANT  
UPDATES FOR  
ANGLERS AND  
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"Hunting and fishing aren't just big business for our local economy, they **are a way of life here** in Western New York and we have a Constitutional right to protect them."

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