# Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits

**NO HUNTING ON SUNDAY**

## Deer

- **Youth Deer Hunt Day**: Oct. 1, 2022
- **Paraplegic Hunt (Shotgun)**: Nov. 3 – Dec. 10, 2022
- **Archery**
  - Zones 1–9: Oct. 17 – Nov. 26, 2022
  - Zones 10–14: Oct. 3 – Nov. 26, 2022
- **Primitive Firearms**: Dec. 12 – Dec. 31, 2022

**Open Season** (All Dates Inclusive)
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**Daily Bag Limit**: See full regulations for more information.
- **Possession Limit**: 1 antlered deer OR 1 antlerless deer in Zone specified in permit during season
- **Annual Limit**: 2 antlered deer + antlerless deer by permit

## Black Bear

- **Black Bear (Big Game)**
  - Zones 1–14: Sept. 6 – Sept. 24, 2022
  - Zones 1–14: Nov. 7 – Nov. 26, 2022
  - Zones 1–14: Nov. 28 – Dec. 10, 2022

**Open Season**: See full regulations for more information.
- **Bag Limit**: 1

## Upland Game Birds*

- **Crow**: Jan. 1 – April 9, 2022
- **Pheasant**: Zones 1–14: Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24, and Oct. 1, 8, 2022
  - Zones 1–14: Oct. 15 – Nov. 26, 2022
- **Quail**: Zones 11–14: Oct. 15 – Nov. 26, 2022
- **Wild Turkey (Big Game)**
  - Zones 1–9: Apr. 23, 2022 (special restrictions apply**)

**Open Season**: See full regulations for more information.
- **Bag Limit**: (M, F, Sat only)
- **Possession Limit**: No limit
- **Annual Limit**: 15

* Upland game bird hunting is closed during shotgun deer season. Migratory game birds (includes waterfowl, woodcock, snipe, rails): Seasons and bag limits set annually. For Migratory Game Bird Regulations visit mass.gov/migratory-game-bird.

** Must have completed the Youth Turkey Hunt program.

## Rabbit, Hare & Squirrel

- **Snowshoe Hare**: Zones 1–4: Jan. 1 – Feb. 28, 2022 and Oct. 15, 2022 – Feb. 28, 2023

**Open Season**: See full regulations for more information.
- **Bag Limit**: 10
- **Possession Limit**: —
- **Annual Limit**: —

Rabbit, hare, and squirrel hunting are closed during shotgun deer season.

## Furbearers

- **Bobcat**: Zones 1–8: Jan. 1 – March 8, 2022 and Dec. 20, 2022 – March 8, 2023
- **Coyote**: Zones 1–14: Jan. 1 – March 8, 2022 and Dec. 20, 2022 – March 8, 2023
- **Fox (red or gray)**: Zones 1–14: Jan. 1 – Feb. 28, 2022 and Nov. 1, 2022 – Feb. 28, 2023

**Open Season**: See full regulations for more information.

All furbearer hunting seasons are closed during shotgun deer season except for coyotes.

Special restrictions apply. The following species may be taken year-round (except during shotgun deer season) by licensed hunters with no daily or seasonal bag limit: English sparrow, flying squirrel, red squirrel, chipmunk, porcupine, skunk, starling, weasel, woodchuck.

## Trapping

**Open Season** (All Dates Inclusive)

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1. Pelt checking/reporting required; see below.
2. *Bobcats may only be trapped or salvaged in Wildlife Management Zones 1–8.*