

Maryland Hunting Seasons Calendar for 2021-2022

Species, Season, & Region	August	September	2021 October	November	December	January	February	March	2022 April	May	June	July	
White-tailed Deer, Antlered, Archery ¹		9/10-10/20	10/24-11/26		12/13-12/17	1/2-1/6 1/10-1/31	Archery also open Jan. 7-9 in Region A only.						
White-tailed Deer, Antlered, Firearms ¹					11/27-12/11	1/7-1/9	Firearms open Jan. 7-9 in Region B only.						
White-tailed Deer, Antlered, Muzzleloader ¹			10/21-10/23		12/18-1/1								
White-tailed Deer, Antlerless Archery, Region A ^{1,2}		9/10-10/20	10/24-11/26		12/13-12/17	1/2-1/31							
White-tailed Deer, Antlerless Firearms, Region A ²					12/10-12/11	Only Dec. 11 on DNR Public Lands.							
White-tailed Deer, Antlerless Muzzleloader, Region A ²			10/21-10/23		12/30-1/1	Only Jan. 1 on DNR Public Lands.							
White-tailed Deer, Antlerless Archery, Region B ^{1,3}		9/10-10/20	10/24-11/26		12/13-12/17	1/2-1/6 1/10-1/31							
White-tailed Deer, Antlerless Firearms, Region B ^{1,3}					11/27-12/11	1/7-1/9							
White-tailed Deer, Antlerless Muzzleloader, Region B ^{1,3}			10/21-10/23 10/25-10/30		12/18-1/1								
Sika Deer, Archery ^{1,4}		9/10-10/20	10/24-11/26		12/13-12/17	1/2-1/6 1/10-1/31							
Sika Deer, Firearms ^{1,4}					11/27-12/11	1/7-1/9							
Sika Deer, Muzzleloader ^{1,4}			10/21-10/23		12/18-1/1								
Sika Deer, Antlerless, Region B Only, Muzzleloader			10/25-10/30										
Junior Deer Hunt Days ¹				11/13-11/14									
Primitive Deer Hunt Days ^{1,5}							2/1-2/3						
Wild Turkey, Winter Season ⁶						1/20-1/22							
Wild Turkey, Fall Season ⁶			10/30-11/7										
Wild Turkey, Spring Season ⁶								4/18-5/23					
Wild Turkey, Spring Season, Junior Hunt Days ⁶								4/16-4/17					
Canada Goose, Early Resident Season, Eastern Hunt Zone ⁷		9/1-9/15											
Canada Goose, Early Resident Season, Western Hunt Zone ⁸		9/1-9/25											
Canada Goose, Migratory Atlantic Population ⁹					12/17-1/1	1/13-1/31							
Canada Goose, Late Resident Season ¹⁰				11/20-11/26	12/15-3/10								
Light Geese			10/1-11/26		12/13-1/31		2/5						
Light Goose Conservation Order Season ¹¹					11/29-12/11		2/1-2/4	2/7-4/15					
Brant				11/17-11/26	12/15-1/31								
Teal, September Season ¹²		9/16-9/30											
Ducks, Eastern Zone			10/16-10/23	11/13-11/26	12/15-1/31								
Ducks, Western Zone			10/2-10/16	11/20-11/26	12/15-1/31								
Sea Ducks, Special Sea Duck Zone				10/30-1/7									
Waterfowl- Youth, Veteran & Military Hunt Days				11/6			2/5						
Mourning Doves		9/1-10/16	10/23-11/26		12/17-1/8								
Rails		9/1-11/20											
Woodcock			10/20-11/26		1/10-1/22								
Common Snipe		9/29-1/31											
Black Bear ¹³			10/25-10/29										
Squirrel ¹⁴		9/4-2/28											
Rabbit				11/6-2/28									
Quail, Eastern Region ¹⁵				11/6-2/15									
Quail, Western Region ¹⁶				11/6-1/15									
Quail, DNR Lands ¹⁷				11/6-12/15									
Pheasant				11/6-2/28									
Ruffed Grouse			10/2-1/31										
Crow	8/15-3/15 Wednesday through Saturday only												

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Beaver, Trapping ¹⁸					12/15-----3/15				
Beaver, Trapping ¹⁹					12/1-----3/15				
Coyote, Hunting	Year-round								
Coyote & Long-tailed Weasel Trapping, Eastern Region ²⁰					11/15-----2/15				
Coyote & Long-tailed Weasel Trapping, Western Region ²¹					11/1-----2/1				
Fisher					11/1-----2/1				
Fox, Hunting & Trapping, Charles & Dorchester Co.	Year-round								
Fox, Hunting & Trapping County Group 1 ²²					11/15-----2/15				
Fox, Hunting & Trapping County Group 2 ²³					11/1-----2/1				
Muskrat & Mink, County Group A ²⁴					11/15-----2/15				
Muskrat & Mink, County Group B ²⁵					1/1-----3/15				
Muskrat & Mink, County Group C ²⁶					12/15-----3/15				
Nutria & Groundhog	Year-round								
River Otter, Trapping County Group 1 ²⁷					12/15-----3/15				
River Otter, Trapping County Group 2 ²⁸					12/15-----3/15				
River Otter, Trapping County Group 3 ²⁹					12/1-----3/15				
Raccoon & Opossum, Chasing Only	8/2-----10/14							3/16-----7/30	
Raccoon & Opossum Hunting					10/15-----3/15				
Raccoon, Skunk & Opossum Trapping, Eastern Region ²⁰					11/15-----3/15				
Raccoon, Skunk & Opossum Trapping, Western Region ²¹					11/1-----3/15				
Skunk, Hunting					11/1-----3/15				



Footnotes for 2021-2022 Hunting Season Calendar

Unless otherwise noted, hunting seasons are for all Maryland counties. Not all species are found in all counties.

1 Sunday Deer Hunting (white-tailed and sika)-

White-tailed and sika deer hunting seasons include Sundays - see the Sunday hunting portion of the calendar for areas, dates, counties and times.

2 Deer Management Region A- This region includes Allegany County, Garrett County, and the western portion of Washington County (Zone 2, Private Land Code Areas 250 & 251) that lies west of a line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 494 and the Pennsylvania line, south on Rt. 494 to Rt. 57, south on Rt. 57 to Rt. 40 at St. Paul's Church, west on Rt. 40 to the junction of Big Spring Rd. and Rt. 40 in Clear Spring, south on Big Spring Rd. to the junction of Rt. 56 at Big Spring, following Rt. 56 west to the junction of Charles Mill Rd., then south on Charles Mill Rd. to the Potomac River.

3 Deer Management Region B- This region includes Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Calvert, Caroline, Carroll, Cecil, Charles, Dorchester, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Kent, Montgomery, Prince George's, Queen Anne's, St. Mary's, Somerset, Talbot, Washington (Zone 1, Private Land Code Area 252: the eastern portion of Washington County that lies east of a line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 494 and the Pennsylvania line, south on Rt. 494 to Rt. 57, south on Rt. 57 to Rt. 40 at St. Paul's Church, west on Rt. 40 to the junction of Big Spring Rd. and Rt. 40 in Clear Spring, south on Big Spring Rd. to the junction of Rt. 56 at Big Spring, following Rt. 56 west to the junction of Charles Mill Rd., then south on Charles Mill Rd. to the Potomac River), Wicomico and Worcester Counties.

4 Sika Deer- Sika deer may be hunted statewide where they are found.

5 Primitive Deer Hunt Days- Hunters may only use long bows, recurve bows or flintlock and sidelock percussion muzzleloading rifles or handguns during these days.

6 Wild Turkey-

The Spring Season is open statewide. Daily shooting hours for April 18 through May 9 are one-half hour before sunrise to noon. Daily shooting hours for May 10 through May 23 are one-half hour before sunrise to sunset.

The Fall Season hunting area includes Allegany, Garrett and Washington counties only.

The Winter Season is open statewide.

The Junior Turkey Hunt Season is open statewide on Saturday, April 16, 2022 in all counties and Sunday, April 17, 2022 in certain counties (see below).

Sunday turkey hunting is permitted on all Sundays during any open turkey season in:

- Calvert, Caroline, Carroll, Charles and Kent counties on private lands only.
- Dorchester County on public and private lands.
- Allegany, Cecil, Garrett, St. Mary's and Washington counties on private and designated public lands only.

7 Canada Goose, Early Resident Season, Eastern Hunt Zone- This zone includes Calvert, Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Harford, Kent, Queen Anne's, St. Mary's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico and Worcester Counties; and that part of Anne Arundel County east of Interstate 895, Interstate 97 and Route 3; that part of Prince George's County east of Route 3 and Route 301; and that part of Charles County east of 301.

8 Canada Goose, Early Resident Season, Western Hunt Zone- This zone includes Allegany, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, Howard, Montgomery and Washington Counties; and that part of Anne Arundel County west of Interstate 895, Interstate 97 and Route 3; that part of Prince George's County west of Route 3 and Route 301; and that part of Charles County west of 301.

9 Canada Goose, Migratory Atlantic Population- This zone includes Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Calvert, Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Harford, Howard, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, St. Mary's, Talbot, Wicomico and Worcester Counties; that portion of Carroll County east of Route 31 to the intersection of Route 97, and east of Route 97 to the Pennsylvania line; that portion of Prince George's County east of Route 3 and Route 301; and that portion of Charles County east of Route 301.

10 Canada Goose, Late Resident Goose Hunt Zone- This zone includes Allegany, Frederick, Garrett, Montgomery and Washington Counties; that portion of Carroll County west of Route 31 to the intersection of Route 97, and west of Route 97

to the Pennsylvania line; that portion of Prince George's County west of Route 3 and Route 30; and that portion of Charles County west of Route 301.

11 Light Goose Conservation Season Zone- This zone includes Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Calvert, Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Harford, Howard, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, St. Mary's, Talbot, Wicomico and Worcester Counties; that portion of Carroll County east of Route 31 to the intersection of Route 97, and east of Route 97 to the Pennsylvania line; that portion of Prince George's County east of Route 3 and Route 301; and that portion of Charles County east of Route 301.

12 September Teal Hunt Zone: This zone includes Calvert, Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Harford, Kent, Queen Anne's, St. Mary's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico and Worcester Counties and that part of Anne Arundel County east of Interstate 895, Interstate 97, and Route 3; that part of Prince Georges County east of Route 3 and Route 301; and that part of Charles County east of Route 301.

13 Bear Hunt Zone- This zone includes Allegany, Frederick, Garrett and Washington counties. Permit required.

14 Closed Season for Delmarva Fox Squirrel

15 Quail, Eastern Region- This region includes private lands east of I-83 from Pennsylvania south to I-695 to I-95 south to Virginia.

16 Quail, Western Region- This region includes private lands west of I-83 from Pennsylvania south to I-695 to I-95 south to Virginia, excluding Allegany and Garrett counties.

17 Quail- Lands owned or managed by DNR excluding Allegany and Garrett counties.

18- All counties except Garrett and Allegany.

19- Garrett and Allegany counties.

20 That portion of Maryland east of the Chesapeake Bay and the Susquehanna River.

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22 Fox, County Group 1- This group includes Caroline, Cecil, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico and Worcester counties.

23 Fox, County Group 2- This group includes Allegany, Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Calvert, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, Harford, Howard, Montgomery, Prince George's, St. Mary's and Washington counties.

24 Muskrat and Mink, County Group A- This group includes Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, Howard and Washington counties.

25 Muskrat and Mink, County Group B- This group includes Anne Arundel, Calvert, Caroline, Charles, Dorchester, Montgomery, Prince George's, St. Mary's, Talbot and Wicomico counties.

26 Muskrat and Mink, County Group C- This group includes Baltimore, Cecil, Harford, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset and Worcester counties.

27 River Otter, County Group 1- All counties except Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, Howard, Montgomery and Washington.

28 River Otter, County Group 2- Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery and Washington counties.

29 River Otter, County Group 3- Allegany and Garrett counties.

SUNDAY DEER HUNTING 2021-2022 (FOR WHITE-TAILED AND SIKA DEER)
Sunday hunting is allowed only on these dates and time restrictions during these seasons.

COUNTY	Lands Open	Archery Season																Firearms Season				Muzzleloader Season	
		Sept. 12	Sept.19	Sept. 26	Oct. 3	Oct. 10	Oct. 17	Oct. 24	Oct. 31	Nov. 7	Nov. 14	Nov. 21	Jan. 2	Jan. 9	Jan. 16	Jan. 23	Jan. 30	Nov. 14 (Jr. Hunt)	Nov. 28	Dec. 5	Jan. 9	Dec. 19	Dec. 26
ALLEGANY	Private & Designated Public ¹	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open		Open	Open
ANNE ARUNDEL	Private Only									Open								Open	Open				
BALTIMORE	None																						
CALVERT	Private Only						Open	Open	Open	Open	Open							Open	Open	Open	Open		
CAROLINE	Private Only						Open	Open	Open	Open	Open							Open	Open	Open	Open		
CARROLL	Private Only				Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open					Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
CECIL	Private & Designated Public ¹	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open		Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
CHARLES	Private Only						Open	Open	Open	Open	Open							Open	Open	Open	Open		
DORCHESTER	Private Only				Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open					Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
FREDERICK	Private Only				Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open					Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
GARRETT	Private & Designated Public ¹	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open		Open	Open
HARFORD	Private Only						Open	Open	Open	Open	Open							Open	Open	Open	Open		
HOWARD	None																						
KENT	Private Only	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open		Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open ²	Open ²	Open	Open
MONTGOMERY	Private Only	Open ²	Open ²	Open ²	Open ²	Open ²	Open ²	Open ²	Open ²	Open	Open ²	Open ²	Open ²		Open ²	Open ²	Open ²	Open	Open	Open ²	Open ²	Open ²	Open ²
PRINCE GEORGE'S	None																						
QUEEN ANNE'S	Private Only						Open	Open	Open	Open	Open							Open	Open	Open	Open		
ST. MARY'S	Private & Designated Public ¹	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open		Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
SOMERSET	Private Only						Open	Open	Open	Open	Open							Open	Open	Open	Open		
TALBOT	Private Only						Open	Open	Open	Open	Open							Open	Open				
WASHINGTON REGION A	Private & Designated Public ¹	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open		Open	Open
WASHINGTON REGION B	Private Only	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open		Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
WICOMICO	Private Only						Open	Open	Open	Open	Open							Open	Open	Open ²			
WORCESTER	Private Only						Open	Open	Open	Open	Open							Open	Open	Open	Open		

¹Designated public lands open to Sunday hunting in Allegany, Cecil, Garrett, St. Marys' and Washington counties are: Billmeyer-Belle Grove WMA, Cunningham Swamp WMA, Dan's Mountain WMA, Earlville WMA, Garrett State Forest (SF), Green Ridge SF, Grove Farm WMA, Indian Springs WMA, McCoole FMA, Mount Nebo WMA, Old Bohemia WMA, Potomac SF, Prather's Neck WMA, Saint Inigoes SF, Salem SF, Savage River SF, Sideling Hill WMA and Warrior Mountain WMA.

²Legal shooting hours for deer are one half hour before sunrise to 10:30am on this Sunday (applies only to Kent, Montgomery and Wicomico counties where footnoted).