

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

# **The Maryland Wildlife Advisory Commission**

**Will Meet at 10:30 AM  
On Wed., January 17, 2024  
Department of Natural Resources  
Google Meet**

**Meeting Agenda:**

**Annual Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair (Group Discussion)**

**Approval for January 17, 2024, Meeting Agenda**

**Approval for Minutes from November 15, 2023, Meeting**

**2024-2026 Hunting Regulation Concepts Update (Director Karina Stonesifer)**

**Proposed Migratory Game Bird Seasons and Bag Limits (Game Bird Section Leader Josh Homyack)**

**Break**

**2024 Legislative Session Update (Associate Director Brian Eyler)**

**License Revenue Update (Associate Director Brian Eyler)**

**2024 Doe Harvest Challenge (Group Discussion)**

**Maryland Farm Bureau Update (TBD)**

**Natural Resources Police Update (Captain Shawn Garren)**

**Old Business:**

**New Business:**

**Public Comment:**

- **Use of Drone for Deer Recovery (Group Discussion)**

**Adjourn**

***NOTE: Free Parking will be available on the Navy Stadium Parking Lot, which is the third entrance on right off of Taylor Avenue.***

**The Proposed Schedule for the 2024 meetings  
Of the Wildlife Advisory Commission is as follows:**

<b>January 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Google Meet</b>
<b>February 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Google Meet</b>
<b>March 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>In-Person Meeting at Tawes State Office Building</b>
<b>April 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Google Meet</b>
<b>May 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>No Meeting</b>
<b>June 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>In-Person Meeting at Tawes State Office Building</b>
<b>July 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>No Meeting</b>
<b>August 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Google Meet</b>
<b>September 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>TBD - Google Meet or No Meeting or Field Day</b>
<b>October 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Google Meet</b>
<b>November 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Google Meet</b>
<b>December 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>No Meeting</b>

***PLEASE NOTE THAT MEETING DATES ARE HELD  
ON THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH***

**Note:** Unless notified otherwise, all meetings will be held via Google Meet. When meeting in person, the meetings will be held in the C-1 Conference Room Department of Natural Resources - Tawes State Office Building beginning at 10:30 am. Available parking is located at the Navy Stadium Parking Lot.

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# THE MARYLAND WILDLIFE ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES

JANUARY 17, 2024

Chair Wagner called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. This meeting was held via teleconference. Chair Wagner asked for a roll call of individuals on the “call.” Unfortunately, because of the anonymity of Google Meet callers, it was impossible to determine the identity of every participant.

## **Annual Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair**

- Motion
  1. Commissioner Keithley moved to nominate Carl Wagner as Chair and Joe Schroyer as Vice-Chair.
  2. Commissioner Cole seconded.
  3. All in favor. Motion passed.
- Carl Wagner will remain Chair, and Joe Schroyer will remain Vice-Chair of the Wildlife Advisory Commission.

## **Approval for January 17, 2024, Meeting Agenda**

- Motion to Approve the Agenda:
  1. Commissioner Keithley moved to accept January 17, 2024, Commission Meeting Agenda.
  2. Commissioner Schroyer seconded.
  3. All in favor. Motion passed.

## **Approval for Minutes from November 15, 2023, Meeting**

- Motion:
  1. Commissioner Cole moved to accept the November 15, 2023, Meeting Minutes.
  2. Commissioner Smith seconded.
  3. All in favor. Motion passed.

## **2024-2026 Hunting Regulation Concepts Update – Karina Stonesifer, Director**

- Director Karina Stonesifer mentioned that staff hosted an external stakeholder meeting, and it was held in person and virtually.
- Staff received good feedback and comments from the external stakeholder meeting.
- Staff are in the process of reviewing the notes and working on compiling the final recommendations for concepts from the external stakeholder meeting.
- Director Karina Stonesifer said she would happily share the official draft regulations with the Commission before obtaining public comments.
- Staff recognized from the external stakeholder meeting that the antlerless bag limit requires more discussion and maybe some tweaks or different recommendations.
- Staff will brief the DNR Leadership Team on the final recommendations with the goal of putting everything online for public comment.
- Q&A Section:
  1. Chair Wagner asked if there is room for modifications in some of the regulations proposed by staff.
    - a. Director Stonesifer replied yes. The staff has enough time to make changes to the proposals, and staff will be discussing that possibility.
    - b. Staff will update the Commission at the meeting on February 21, 2024.
    - c. Staff will return to the Commission at the March 20, 2024, meeting for an official vote on the proposals.

2. Vice Chair Schroyer asked if the concept from an interest group about the one-buck bag limit would make it in the public forum because it was very unpopular at the external stakeholder meeting.
  - a. Director Stonesifer responded that staff need to meet and discuss that concept; however, from the external stakeholders' overwhelming comments, Director Stonesifer does not foresee that concept moving forward.

#### **Proposed Migratory Game Bird Season and Bag Limits – Josh Homyack, Game Bird Section Leader**

- Game Bird Section Leader Josh Homyack gave a presentation on the Proposed Migratory Game Bird Hunting Seasons for 2024-2025. All seasons and bag limits are within the Federal Frameworks. [ATTACHMENT A]
- Staff proposed a reduction in the AP Canada Goose Season to a moderate package of 30 days with two birds per day with the elimination of the Thanksgiving Season days.
- Staff proposed two splits within the 45-day Woodcock Season.
- Q&A Section
  1. Chair Wagner asked how close the Canada goose population is to the moderate season; what is the threshold for the nesting pairs to get us back into moderate season, and how far away are we from that number?
    - a. The Atlantic Population (AP) Canada geese are in the middle of the moderate package. For the AP Canada Federal Framework to return to the liberal package, the population must be around 160,000 breeding pairs. Next year depends on the data in the goose-integrated population model, which offers staff a prediction for the number of breeding pairs in the spring of 2025, which will be used to set the seasons.

#### **2024 Legislative Session Update – Brian Eyler, Associate Director**

- Associate Director Eyler mentioned that he listed four bills on the Summary of 2024 Proposed Legislation as of January 17, 2024. [ATTACHMENT B]
- The Commission members can track the bills online at the Maryland General Assembly website at <https://mgaleg.maryland.gov/mgawebsite/>.
- Chair Wagner deferred any discussion of SB0367 Natural Resources – Antlerless Deer Hunting Programs – Authorization to New Business Section.
- Staff are expecting more wildlife and hunting-related bills.

#### **2024 Doe Harvest Challenge – Group Discussion**

- Chair Wagner read from §10-404 (e) (1), which is the Statute that pertains to a “person may not sell, offer for sale, barter, or exchange, at any time within the State any game bird or game mammal taken from the wild, in the State or another state, territory, or country.
- A discussion about the contest followed.

#### **License Revenue Update – Associate Director Brian Eyler**

- Associate Director Brian Eyler compiled the license sales compared numbers with January 16, 2023, versus January 16, 2024, in a report emailed to the Commission. [ATTACHMENT C]
- The use of the money will be determined; much of the new funding will be used for federal match beginning in FY25.
- Money is allocated for R3 (Hunter Recruitment, Reactivation, and Retention) staff.
- DNR is very close to advertising for the eight positions for R3; DNR received approval from the Department of Budget and Management.
- WHS will add a customer service representative at the Tawes Office to help with telephone coverage and customer service emails.
- WHS will hire a Federal Grants Manager to manage around 25 grants from which WHS receives money. It is a full-time position. WHS sister units, for example, the Fisheries Service and Forest Service, have an actual grants manager.

- WHS will fund research projects, such as a black bear research project with radio collaring more bears with the University of Maryland as a partner.
- WHS will be doing some land management projects.
- These are just some items for which the extra hunting dollars will be used.
- Q&A Section:
  1. Chair Wagner noted that there are around 13,000 Sika deer hunters in Maryland; is that correct?
    - a. There were 13,000 individuals who purchased the Sika deer stamp. WHS typically sells about twice as many stamps than the actual number of hunters who use them in the given year, so the number of stamps sold is not the truly reflective of the number of hunters on the ground hunting Sika deer.
    - b. WHS sells 65,000 archery stamps; however, the hunter mail survey and harvest data reveal that Maryland has an estimated 30,000 archery hunters each year.
    - c. WHS sells many more stamps than actual hunters each year.
    - d. Based on the 13,000 Sika deer stamp sale, WHS has 5,000 to 6,000 active Sika deer hunters on the ground, matching WHS's estimates with other surveys. Additionally, WHS has around 2,500 hunters who successfully harvest a Sika deer in a year. So, if WHS had 13,000 Sika deer hunters on the ground and only 2,500 killed Sika deer, that would be a 20% success rate. The staff knows the success rate is much higher than that, probably around 40 to 50 percent.
    - e. Staff are happy that hunters support Sika deer hunting and the Department.
    - f. Please do not think there are 13,000 Sika deer hunters. It is substantially less than that.
  2. Chair Wagner asked why the non-resident license is not listed.
    - a. The non-resident license is included in the Full Season License total. The non-resident license is about 24% of the sales.
  3. Chair Wagner asked about the Apprentice Hunting License, which went up over 700 and seems promising for future hunters.
    - a. Staff advised that many junior hunters purchased apprentice hunting licenses due to the increase in the junior license fee for non-residents. With the change in the apprentice license allowing juniors to purchase multiple-year apprentice licenses, the apprentice license is a bargain for non-resident junior license holders.
    - b. Hopefully, we will get these youth hunters to purchase full season hunting licenses.

#### **Maryland Farm Bureau Update (MFB) –**

- Director Stonesifer contacted MFB, Director of Government Relations Tyler Hough, and Mr. Hough called Director Stonesifer during the External Stakeholder Meeting.
- Director Stonesifer will invite MFB Director of Government Relations, Tyler Hough, to attend the WAC meetings.

#### **Natural Resources Police Update (NRP) –** Captain Shawn Garren gave a presentation.

- Captain Garren highlighted the total number of 2023 violations, which is 26,474.
- For the first couple weeks of January 2024 violations total is 304
- There were 131 wildlife violations, 27 boating violations, 41 public lands violations, 35 fisheries violations, and 70 traffic violations.
- The percentage per category is 8.9% boating, 23% traffic, 13.5% public lands, 43.5% wildlife, and 11.5% fisheries violations.

#### **Old Business**

#### **New Business**

- Sunday Hunting for Waterfowl Species – Chair Wagner attended the Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus Meeting. This year, Delaware has introduced a Sunday hunting bill. Delaware had their Wildlife Commission send a bill with the support of local organizations to the legislation to enact a Sunday waterfowl hunting bill. Chair Wagner said he does not think Maryland's system works that

way. However, Chair Wagner proposed that the Commission discuss supporting Sunday hunting for waterfowl species. Chair Wagner pointed out that the hunters are not harvesting more of the species, but Sunday hunting will provide more opportunities to choose when hunters may go out to hunt. The best reason to include Sunday waterfowl hunting is the recruitment component. It is the one day the youth do not have sports or anything else but a day with the family to be together and go out in afield. It was taken out of the bill last year; the Commission may want to approach Sunday waterfowl hunting and wildlife contests proactively.

1. Commissioner Smith mentioned that religious people typically attend services between 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Therefore, he does not foresee an issue with Sunday hunting for religious reasons. People may hunt before their religious program. Commissioner Smith recognized a need for balance and not over-harvesting the species. Commissioner Smith recommends supporting Sunday hunting for waterfowl species, and those who want to participate would, as long as we are not over-harvesting the species.
  2. Commissioner Parks agreed with Sunday hunting for waterfowl. If some people do not want to get involved in Sunday hunting, then do not. Sunday hunting is not impeding or imposing on anyone going to church or rights. Commissioner Parks recommended that the Commission move forward with Sunday Hunting for waterfowl.
  3. Commissioner Keithley emphasized that he generally supports Sunday hunting as a hunting opportunity. Sunday hunting is obviously a big hunting opportunity. Commissioner Keithley expressed his frustration that he must check to see if he needs to stop hunting at 10:30 am on Sunday. Some people must work six days a week; Sunday is the day they can hunt. Commissioner Keithley commented that the Commission has to pursue more Sunday hunting opportunities in Maryland, at the minimum, on private property. Doing so will help us grow the hunting numbers in the future.
- Motion
    1. Commissioner Schroyer moved that the Commission take the opportunity to get ahead of the Sunday hunting by drafting a letter supporting Sunday hunting, both waterfowl and, in general, emphasizing full-day hunting.
    2. Commissioner Cole seconded the motion.
    3. All in favor. Motion passed.

#### **Public Comment –**

- Former Chair Lou Compton indicated that he is a long-time outdoorsman and primarily a deer hunter, and for years, we keep hearing from people who need to kill more deer. The agriculture community had a chance to comment at the stakeholder meeting. The deer population in Maryland had a substantially high deer population of 300,000 around 10 to 12 years ago. Former Chair Compton mentioned that Maryland's deer population has reduced to around 230,000. We have taken a lot of deer off the landscape, and the agricultural community continues to cry to take more deer.
- Former Chair Compton added that it is disgusting that money drives what is going on with the deer. However, Former Chair Compton expressed that he is pleased that the Commission will act against deer contests.
- Former Chair Compton recalled that eight years ago, there were around 3,000 or 4,000 Sika deer hunters on the landscape and 2,700 Sika deer being harvested, a 77% success rate. Based on Former Chair Compton's calculations, the success rate is down, around 54%, with 5,000 to 6,000 Sika deer hunters and 3,000 Sika deer harvested. Former Chair Compton questioned why the sudden drop of 23% in the success rate for the Sika deer hunt is impacting the quality of the hunt. Evidently, the desire for a hunting license will decline or go away. Former Chair Compton indicated he is concerned about these factors.
  1. Associate Director Eyler responded to Former Chair Compton's calculations. Maryland has never had anywhere near a 77% success rate for white-tailed deer, especially not Sika deer.
  2. Associate Director Eyler pointed out that Maryland's success rate has always been around 30% to 50%. Some hunters take multiple Sika deer, and that plays into the calculations.

- Chair Wagner tabled a letter about a bike trail at Piney Mountain and Big Savage Mountain.
- Use of Drones for Deer Recovery – Two Issues – Allow to Recover of Deer and to what extent and the Scouting Component of the Use of Drones - Group Discussion
  1. Chair Wagner reported that the use of drones for deer recovery came up at the Congressional Sportsmen’s Foundation meeting in Delaware. Several states are looking into using drones with thermal cameras for deer recovery and people scouting with drones. People are also flying drones over fields to scout for turkeys. Alaska has a no drone flying and hunting on the same day rule. In another state out west, a person cannot use a drone to scout and hunt on the same day.
  2. Chair Wagner commented that he thinks the small drones do not need to be licensed, but the large drones do.
  3. Commissioner Parks supported the no-fly and no-hunt on the same day. Commissioner Parks added that it would be irresponsible not to support using a drone or any legal or moral method to recover something. Therefore, Commissioner Parks felt strongly that the Commission should allow drones for recovery.
  4. Chair Wagner concurred with Commissioner Parks’ comments.
  5. Director Stonesifer mentioned that staff have had internal discussions about using drones because the public has brought it to the staff’s and the Natural Resources Police’s attention. Staff analyzed the topic, and it was not cut and dry. Keep in mind that if the Commission is concerned about prohibiting drones for scouting purposes but allowing them for tracking and recovery, it may cause issues in terms of enforcement with the burden of proof.
  6. Director Stonesifer explained that the staff was not looking to advance any drone regulations this time. Again, the team is working with NRP to determine if the use of drones is an issue, uncover if there is anything staff needs to do, and examine if there is a need to tighten regulations. Director Stonesifer concluded that whatever the DNR needs to do, it must be clear, concise, and equitable to everybody. Staff are in the gathering information stage.
  7. Chair Wagner drew attention to people arguing that a drone is no different than a trail camera and that if a person can use a trail camera on the phone and track a deer with a trail camera, there should be no restrictions on using drones for hunting. Those same people suggested that if there are restrictions on drones, there should be restrictions on trail cameras.
  8. Former Chair Compton admitted that he is still gathering information on using drones for hunting.
  9. Director Stonesifer clarified that no regulations or laws prohibit using drones for hunting. Currently, if you are licensed to operate a drone, nothing prohibits that person from using it to recover deer.
  10. Captain Garren indicated that NRP has some concerns because a person is not allowed to use an aircraft, and whether drones are considered aircraft is unclear. Captain Garren informed the Commission that NRP had received complaints concerning people taking drones on other people’s properties, using drones to drive deer, and interfering with other people’s hunts. Captain Garren advised that he hoped these concerns would be taken into consideration.
  11. Former Chair Compton suggested that as WHS moves forward within the DNR, staff should obtain input from some of these legitimate drone operators because these legitimate drone operators have contracts and ethics and want to do things the correct way. These operators are looking for guidance to avoid controversial issues.
- The public may contact the Members of the Commission at [wac.dnr@maryland.gov](mailto:wac.dnr@maryland.gov).

**Adjournment**

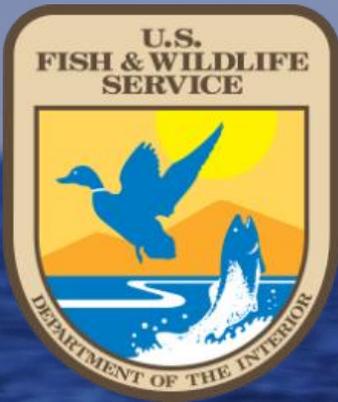
- The meeting was adjourned at 12:23 a.m.
- The next meeting will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, February 21, 2024, using Google Meet.

**Attendance**

Members:	M. Cole, T.J. Jenkins, S. Keithley, J. Parks, J. Schroyer, M. Smith, K. Rossignuolo, and C. Wagner
Absent:	R. Showalter and K. Kullberg

Guest:	L. Compton, S. Boyles Griffin, J. Fritz, and D. Sutherland
Staff:	B. Eyler, S. Garren, J. Homyack, R. Karge, P. Peditto, T. Spencer, H. Spiker, K. Stonesifer, and G. Timko

# Proposed Migratory Game Bird Hunting Seasons for 2024-25



# "Regular" Duck Hunting Season



## Federal Framework:

60-day season between Saturday nearest Sept. 24 and January 31 with a daily bag limit of 6 ducks (species restrictions).

Eastern Duck Zone	Western Duck Zone
Oct. 12, 2024 – Oct. 19, 2024	Oct. 5, 2024 – Oct. 19, 2024
Nov. 16, 2024 – Nov. 29, 2024	Nov. 23, 2024 – Nov. 29, 2025
Dec. 16, 2024 – Jan. 31, 2025	Dec. 16, 2024 – Jan. 31, 2025

## Daily Bag Limit:

6 per day (including mergansers) but no more than 4 sea ducks (3 long-tailed ducks, 3 scoters, 3 eiders), 4 mallards (2 hens), 3 wood ducks, 1 pintail, 2 redheads, 1 scaup\*, 2 canvasbacks, 2 black ducks (during black duck season), 1 mottled duck, and 1 fulvous tree duck.

- *Scaup hybrid season: Daily bag limit is 1 except between Jan.9, 2024 and Jan. 31, 2025 when 2 scaup per day may be harvested.*



# Youth/Military Waterfowl Hunting Days

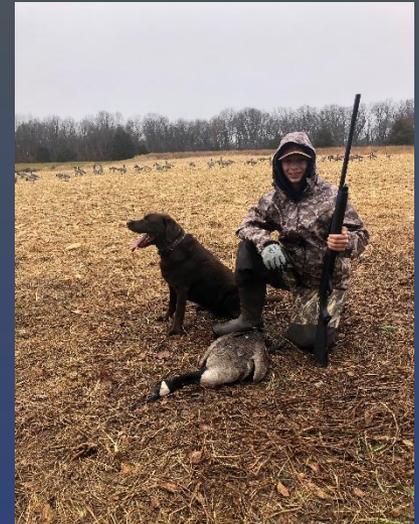


**Federal Framework:** States can hold 2 youth/military personnel days outside of regular duck season but within 14 days of the end framework dates (Sept. 21 and Jan. 31). Must be on weekends, holidays, or other non-school days.

**Proposed Dates:** Nov. 2, 2024 and Feb. 8, 2025

**Daily Bag Limit:** 6 ducks (certain species bag restrictions), 2 Canada geese in the AP Zone or 5 Canada geese in the late RP Zone, 1 brant, 25 light geese, 2 scaup and 15 coots.

Requirements: Youth hunter must be 16 years of age or younger and accompanied by an unarmed adult at least 21 years old. The adult may assist in calling, setting decoys, and retrieving downed birds. Military veterans (as defined in Section 101 of title 38, United States Code) of any age and members of the armed forces on active duty, including members of the National Guard and Reserves on Active duty (other than for training) can participate in these two hunt days.



# AP Pair Estimates and Hunting Implications



- AP CAGO Breeding Pair Data

2023 – 115,00 pairs

2022 - 164,000 pairs

2021 - No survey

2020 - No Survey

2019 - 120,000 pairs

2018 - 112,000 pairs



- In 2021 AFC recommended keeping restrictive seasons for 2022-2023 although the harvest plan called for a moderate (30 days/2 bird per day) package.

- In 2022 the AFC recommended the standard package (45 days/ 2 bird per day) for 2023-24 based on a predicted breeding pair estimate of 180,500 in 2023.

- In 2023 AFC recommended the moderate package (30 days/2 birds per day) for 2024-25 based on a predicted breeding pair estimate of 140,000 in 2024.

# Atlantic Population (AP) Canada Goose Hunting Season



## Federal Framework

A 30-day season may be held between Nov. 15 and Feb. 5 with a 2 bird daily bag limit. The season may be divided into no more than 2 segments.

## Proposed Season and Bag Limit:

Dec. 20, 2024 – Jan. 4, 2025

Jan. 14, 2025 – Jan. 31, 2025

**Daily Bag Limit:** 2 per day

# Calendar View of Proposed 2024-25 AP Canada Goose Season



## December 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 Duck Season	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

## January 2025

			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

- 30 day season, 2 geese per day

# AF Resident Population Canada Goose Hunting Season

(AFRP Zone)



## Federal Framework:

80-day season between Nov. 15 and Mar. 10

**Daily Bag Limit:** 5 per day

## Proposed Season and Bag Limit:

Nov. 23, 2024 - Nov. 29, 2024

Dec. 16, 2024 - Mar. 6, 2025

**Daily Bag Limit:** 5 per day



# Atlantic Brant Hunting Season



## Federal Framework:

30-day season between the Saturday nearest Sept. 24 and Jan. 31 with a 1-bird daily bag limit.

## Proposed Season:

Dec. 28, 2024 – Jan. 31, 2025

**Daily Bag Limit:** 1 per day





# Light Goose Hunting Season



## Federal Framework:

107-day season between Oct. 1 and Mar. 10 with a 25-bird daily bag limit and no possession limit.

## Proposed Season:

Oct. 1, 2024 - Nov. 29, 2024

Dec. 16, 2024 - Jan. 31, 2025

Feb. 8, 2024

**Daily Bag Limit:** 25 per day  
No Possession Limit

# Light Goose Conservation Order Hunting Season



## Federal Framework:

**Federal Framework:** The Conservation Order allows extended shooting hours for light geese (one-half hour after sunset) and imposes no daily bag limits for light geese. The CO may only open when all waterfowl (including light goose) and crane hunting seasons (excluding falconry) are closed.

## Proposed Season:

Dec. 2, 2024 - Dec. 14, 2024

Feb. 1, 2025 - Feb. 7, 2025

Feb. 10, 2025 - April 15, 2025

**Daily Bag Limit:** No bag limit  
No possession limit



# Mourning Dove Season



## Federal Framework

States may select a 90 day season between Sept. 1 – Jan. 31 with 15 birds/day. There can be no more than 3 season segments.

## Proposed Season:

Sept. 2, 2024 – Oct. 19, 2024

Oct. 26, 2024 – Nov. 29, 2024

Dec. 21, 2024 – Jan. 10, 2025

**Daily Bag Limit:** 15 birds/day



# Woodcock Season



## Federal Framework:

Federal Framework: States may select a 45-day season between October 1 and January 31 with a 3-bird daily bag limit. States may split their seasons into two segments.

## Proposed Season:

Oct. 26, 2024 – Nov. 29, 2024

Jan. 13, 2025 – Jan. 29, 2025

**Daily Bag Limit:** 3 birds/day



**Summary of 2024 Proposed Legislation  
Wildlife and Heritage Service  
(as of January 17, 2024)**

<b>Number/ Chapter (Cross File) Total: 4</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Primary Sponsor</b>	<b>Current Status</b>	<b>Original House Committee(s) and Hearing Dates</b>	<b>Opposite House Committee(s) and Hearing Dates</b>
<a href="#">HB0045</a> ( <a href="#">SB0284</a> )	Natural Resources - Sale, Barter, or Exchange of Mounted Specimens From Decedent's Estate	<a href="#">Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee</a>	In the House - Hearing 1/31 at 3:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Environment and Transportation</a> 1/31/2024 - 3:00 PM	<a href="#">Education, Energy, and the Environment</a> 1/31/2024 - 2:00 PM
<a href="#">HB0345</a>	Fish and Wildlife - Endangered and Threatened Species - Definitions, Petitions, and Regulations	<a href="#">Delegate Palakovich Carr</a>	In the House - First Reading Environment and Transportation	<a href="#">Environment and Transportation</a>	
<a href="#">SB0284</a> ( <a href="#">HB0045</a> )	Natural Resources - Sale, Barter, or Exchange of Mounted Specimens From Decedent's Estate	<a href="#">Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee</a>	In the Senate - Hearing 1/31 at 2:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Education, Energy, and the Environment</a> 1/31/2024 - 2:00 PM	<a href="#">Environment and Transportation</a> 1/31/2024 - 3:00 PM
<a href="#">SB0367</a>	Natural Resources - Antlerless Deer Hunting Programs - Authorization	<a href="#">Senator Mautz</a>	In the Senate - First Reading Education, Energy, and the Environment	<a href="#">Education, Energy, and the Environment</a>	

**License Sales Through 1/16/2023 and 1/16/2024**

	2022-23		2023-24		% Change	No. Sold	Net Change Revenue
	No. Sold	Revenue	No. Sold	Revenue			
Apprentice Hunting License	2,004	\$23,496.00	2,771	\$57,344.00	38.3	\$33,848.00	
Bonus Antlered Deer Stamp	21,247	\$247,238.75	21,467	\$250,942.50	1	\$3,703.75	
Bow Stamp	65,693	\$568,097.75	63,499	\$553,803.50	-3.3	-\$14,294.25	
Elk Neck Range Permit	323	\$11,227.00	253	\$8,922.00	-21.7	-\$2,305.00	
Federal Duck Stamp	32,139	\$835,617.00	33,038	\$858,968.00	2.8	\$23,351.00	
Full Season Hunting	99,567	\$3,723,510.00	97,886	\$4,827,292.50	-1.7	<b>\$1,103,782.50</b>	
Group Furbearer Permit	643	\$6,237.10	172	\$8,548.40	-73.3	\$2,311.30	
Individual Furbearer Permit	14,531	\$70,422.45	14,619	\$70,839.40	0.6	\$416.95	
Migratory Game Bird & HIP	42,212	\$348,021.00	42,738	\$608,520.00	1.2	<b>\$260,499.00</b>	
Muzzleloader Stamp	56,246	\$459,456.50	54,281	\$446,357.25	-3.5	-\$13,099.25	
Myrtle Grove WMA Shooting Range Permit	1,286	\$25,077.00	1,229	\$23,965.50	-4.4	-\$1,111.50	
NR 3-Day Waterfowl & Small Game Hunting	5,437	\$236,509.50	5,536	\$351,536.00	1.8	<b>\$115,026.50</b>	
NR Trapping License	51	\$1,262.25	47	\$2,314.75	-7.8	\$1,052.50	
Offshore Blind Site	1,185	\$0.00	1,256	\$0.00	6	\$0.00	
Regulated Shooting Area	629	\$3,459.50	654	\$3,597.00	4	\$137.50	
Retriever Training Permit	822	\$3,904.50	797	\$3,783.25	-3	-\$121.25	
Sika Deer Hunting Stamp	0	\$0.00	12,963	\$163,054.75	*	<b>\$163,054.75</b>	
Snow Goose Conservation	4,034	\$17,136.75	3,894	\$16,550.25	-3.5	-\$586.50	
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>392,893</b>	<b>\$6,580,673.05</b>	<b>404,046</b>	<b>\$8,256,339.05</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>\$1,675,666.00</b>	