

**DUCK, COOT, AND MERGANSER SEASON
DATES, BAG AND POSSESSION LIMITS**

SPECIES	OPEN SEASON	DAILY BAG LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT AFTER FIRST DAY
Ducks	LAKE ERIE MARSH ZONE Oct. 15 thru Oct. 30 Nov. 12 thru Dec. 25	6*	12
Coots	NORTH ZONE Oct. 15 thru Oct. 30 Nov. 19 thru Jan. 1	15	30
Mergansers	SOUTH ZONE Oct. 22 thru Nov. 6 Dec. 17 thru Jan. 29	5*	10

* See *Daily Bag Limits* section.

**GEESE AND BRANT SEASON
DATES, BAG AND POSSESSION LIMITS**

SPECIES	OPEN SEASON	DAILY BAG LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT AFTER FIRST DAY
Canada Geese	LAKE ERIE GOOSE ZONE* Oct. 15 thru Oct. 30 Nov. 12 thru Jan. 8	2	4
Light Geese (Snows, Blues, Ross')	NORTH ZONE Oct. 15 thru Oct. 30 Nov. 19 thru Jan. 1 Jan. 9 thru Jan. 22	10	20
White-fronted Geese	SOUTH ZONE Oct. 22 thru Nov. 20 Dec. 17 thru Jan. 29	2	4
Brant		1	2

*Includes Lake Erie Marsh Zone and open waters of Lake Erie

MIGRATORY GAME BIRD HUNTERS

HIP CERTIFICATION - Hunters who plan to hunt migratory game birds, including ducks, geese, woodcock, rails, mourning doves, coots, and snipe must have a Harvest Information Program (H.I.P.) certification number on their hunting license. These hunters must call **1-877-HIP-OHIO (1-877-447-6446)** and take a short survey. Once the phone survey has been completed, a unique number will be provided to the hunter to write in a designated spot on their hunting license.

It is the responsibility of the license buyer to make sure that the H.I.P. certification has been completed and this certification number is written on their hunting license.

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CUSTOMER ACCOUNT**

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To login to your personal account, use your new Customer ID Number, which is printed on your hunting license, or your last name, date of birth, and last four digits of your SSN, drivers' license number, or alternate ID number.

Ohio Department of Natural Resources
Division of Wildlife

**2011-2012
WATERFOWL
HUNTING SEASONS**



DAILY BAG LIMITS

- Ducks:** Daily bag limit of 6 ducks not to include more than 4 mallards (only 1 of which may be a hen), 3 wood ducks, 1 black duck, 2 redheads, 2 scaup (bluebill), 1 canvasback, 1 mottled duck, or 2 pintails.
- Mergansers:** Daily bag limit of 5, not to include more than 2 hooded mergansers.
- Coots:** Daily bag limit of 15.
- Geese:** Daily bag limit of 2 Canada geese, 10 light geese (snows, blues, or Ross'), 2 white-fronted geese, and 1 brant.
- Possession Limit** - The possession limit is twice the daily bag limit, after the first day for all waterfowl.
- Shooting Hours** - Daily hunting hours 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset for the regular waterfowl season.

Day	September		October		November		December		January	
	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set
	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
1	7:03	8:07	7:31	7:18	8:04	6:33	7:37	5:11	7:57	5:21
2	7:04	8:05	7:32	7:16	8:05	6:32	7:38	5:11	7:57	5:22
3	7:05	8:04	7:33	7:15	8:06	6:31	7:39	5:10	7:57	5:22
4	7:06	8:02	7:34	7:13	8:07	6:30	7:40	5:10	7:57	5:23
5	7:06	8:01	7:35	7:12	8:08	6:29	7:41	5:10	7:57	5:24
6	7:07	7:59	7:36	7:10	7:09	5:28	7:42	5:10	7:57	5:25
7	7:08	7:57	7:37	7:08	7:11	5:27	7:43	5:10	7:57	5:26
8	7:09	7:56	7:38	7:07	7:12	5:26	7:44	5:10	7:57	5:26
9	7:10	7:54	7:39	7:05	7:13	5:25	7:45	5:10	7:57	5:28
10	7:11	7:53	7:40	7:04	7:14	5:24	7:46	5:10	7:57	5:29
11	7:12	7:51	7:41	7:02	7:15	5:23	7:46	5:10	7:56	5:30
12	7:13	7:49	7:42	7:01	7:16	5:22	7:47	5:10	7:56	5:31
13	7:14	7:48	7:43	6:59	7:18	5:21	7:48	5:11	7:56	5:32
14	7:15	7:46	7:44	6:58	7:19	5:20	7:49	5:11	7:55	5:33
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18	7:19	7:39	7:48	6:52	7:23	5:17	7:51	5:12	7:54	5:38
19	7:20	7:38	7:49	6:50	7:24	5:16	7:52	5:12	7:53	5:39
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SUNRISE, SUNSET TABLES
EASTERN TIME
Adjustments have been made for
daylight-savinn time**



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To hunt migratory waterfowl in Ohio, you must have:

- ✓ A resident hunting license (\$19), resident youth hunting license (\$10), nonresident season license (\$125), or 3-day non-resident tourist license (\$40).
- ✓ A printed Ohio Wetlands Habitat Stamp endorsement (\$15). See your hunting license vendor. The Ohio Wetlands Habitat Stamp is not required for anyone younger than 18 years of age.
- ✓ HIP certification (Harvest Information Program) is required. 1-877-HIPOHIO (447-6446)
- ✓ A signed federal Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp (\$15), required of all persons age 16 and older. Federal "Duck Stamps" are available at most post offices.

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LAKE ERIE MARSH ZONE



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The Lake Erie Marsh Zone begins at the intersection of Interstate 75 at the Ohio-Michigan state line and continues south to Interstate 280, then south on I-280 to the Ohio Turnpike (I-80/I-90), then east on the Ohio Turnpike to the Erie-Lorain county line, then north to Lake Erie. The zone boundary follows the Lake Erie shoreline at a distance of 200 yards offshore. The zone boundary follows the shoreline west toward and around the northern tip of Cedar Point Amusement Park, then continues from the westernmost point of Cedar Point toward the southernmost tip of the sand bar at the mouth of Sandusky Bay and out into Lake Erie at a distance of 200 yards offshore continuing parallel to the Lake Erie shoreline north and west toward the northernmost tip of Cedar Point National Wildlife Refuge, then follows a direct line toward the southernmost tip of Wood Tick Peninsula in Michigan to a point that intersects the Ohio-Michigan state line, then follows the state line back to the point of the beginning (see map).

Only nontoxic shot may be used to take waterfowl, rails, snipe, and gallinules.

FEDERAL WATERFOWL BAND REPORTING TOLL-FREE NUMBER 1-800-327-BAND (2263)

OTHER REGULATIONS

For other applicable state and federal regulations related to hunting waterfowl and other migratory game birds in Ohio see *Publication 298, Migratory Game Bird Seasons* or visit **wildohio.com**. The 2011-2012 Ohio Hunting and Trapping Regulations has information about Special youth waterfowl hunts (dates), and other helpful hunting information.

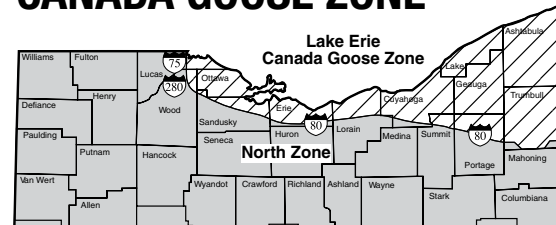
DUCK HUNTING ZONES



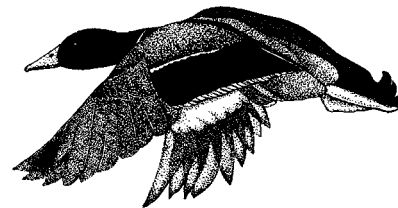
North Zone: North of I-70 excluding the Lake Erie Marsh Zone.

South Zone: South of I-70.

LAKE ERIE CANADA GOOSE ZONE



The Lake Erie Canada Goose Zone includes all land and water north of I-80 in Trumbull, Portage, Summit, Cuyahoga, Lorain, Erie, Sandusky, and Ottawa counties, and portions of Wood and Lucas counties east of I-280 and I-75 from I-80 (near Toledo) north to the Michigan line. The Zone also includes Lake, Geauga, and Ashtabula counties, and the open waters of Lake Erie.



GOOSE HUNTING ZONES



North Zone: North of I-70 excluding the Lake Erie Goose Zone.

South Zone: South of I-70.

SPECIAL YOUTH WATERFOWL WEEKEND OCTOBER 1-2, 2011

Ducks, geese, coots, and mergansers permitted, bag limits same as regular season, open to youth hunters 15 years of age and younger statewide. Youth hunters must be accompanied by a non-hunting adult age 18 years or older.

THE MANDATORY REPORTING ZONES (MRZ) FOR GEESE HAVE BEEN ELIMINATED

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