

# 2013-2014 Season Dates and Limits Information

Small Game	SPECIES	DATES (INCLUSIVE) AND ZONES	HOURS	DAILY LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT
	Rabbit (Cottontail & Swamp)	Nov. 2, 2013 - Feb. 15, 2014 (Statewide)	Sunrise to sunset	4	10 <sup>a</sup>
	Cock Pheasant	Nov. 2, 2013 - Jan. 8, 2014 (North) Nov. 2, 2013 - Jan. 15, 2014 (South)		2	6 <sup>a</sup>
	Hungarian (Gray) Partridge			2	6 <sup>a</sup>
	Quail (Bobwhite)		8	20 <sup>a</sup>	
	Squirrel (Fox and Gray)	Aug. 1, 2013 - Feb. 15, 2014 (Statewide) Closed Nov. 22-24 and Dec. 5-8 in counties open for firearm deer hunting	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	5	10 <sup>a</sup>
Woodchuck (Groundhog)	June 1, 2013 - March 31, 2014 Closed Nov. 22-24 and Dec. 5-8 in counties open for firearm deer hunting	Sunrise to sunset	No Limit		

Deer & Turkey	SPECIES	DATES (INCLUSIVE) AND ZONES	HOURS	LIMIT
	Firearm Deer (Handgun, Muzzleloader & Shotgun)	Nov. 22-24; Dec. 5-8, 2013	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	One deer per firearm permit <sup>f</sup>
	Deer (Muzzleloading rifles only)	Dec. 13-15, 2013 (also allowed Dec. 5-8)		One deer per muzzleloading rifle permit <sup>f</sup>
	Special CWD Deer Season	Dec. 26-29, 2013 and Jan. 17-19, 2014		One deer per valid deer permit <sup>g</sup>
	Late-Winter Antlerless Deer (Handgun, Muzzleloader & Shotgun)			One antlerless deer per permit
	Deer (Archery in counties with a firearm season and west of Rt. 47 in Kane County)			Oct. 1 - Nov. 21, Nov. 25 - Dec. 4, and Dec. 9, 2013 - Jan. 19, 2014
	Deer (Archery in Cook, DuPage, Kane [east of Route 47] and Lake counties)	Oct. 1, 2013 - Jan. 19, 2014		
	Youth Firearm Deer Season	Oct. 12-14, 2013	One deer	
	Youth Turkey Season	March 29-30, 2014 (South) April 5-6, 2014 (North)	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1 p.m.	One gobbler or bearded hen, counts toward maximum of 3 spring permits
	Turkey (Spring Shotgun or Archery)	April 7 - May 8, 2014 <sup>b</sup> (South) April 14 - May 15, 2014 <sup>b</sup> (North)		One gobbler or bearded hen per permit, maximum of 3
Turkey (Fall Shotgun Season)	Oct. 19 - 27, 2013	1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	One either-sex turkey per permit, maximum of 2	
Turkey (Fall Archery)	Oct. 1, 2013 - Jan. 19, 2014, except closed during firearm deer season in counties open to firearm deer hunting	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	One either-sex turkey per permit, maximum of 2	

Migratory Game Birds	SPECIES	DATES (INCLUSIVE) AND ZONES	HOURS	DAILY LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT	
	Dove <sup>c</sup>	Sept. 1-Oct. 27; Nov. 2-14, 2013	Sunrise to sunset	15 <sup>e</sup>	45 <sup>e</sup>	
	Teal (tentative)	Sept. 7-22, 2013		6	18	
	Early Canada Goose	Sept. 1-15, 2013	North and Central	1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	5	15
			South Central & South	2	6	
	Rail (Sora & Virginia only)	Sept. 7 - Nov. 15, 2013	Sunrise to sunset	25	75	
	Common Snipe	Sept. 7 - Dec. 22, 2013		8	24	
	Woodcock	Oct. 19 - Dec. 2, 2013		3	9	
Crow	Oct. 28, 2013 - Feb. 28, 2014	1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	No Limit			
The season dates for Migratory Waterfowl seasons that occur after Oct. 1 will be available in September. See 2013-2014 Digest of Waterfowl Hunting Regulations.						

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Furbearers—Hunting	SPECIES	DATES (INCLUSIVE) AND ZONES	HOURS	LIMIT
	Raccoon and Opossum	Nov. 5, 2013 - Feb. 10, 2014 (North) Nov. 10, 2013 - Feb. 15, 2014 (South) Closed Nov. 22-23 and through 6 p.m. Nov. 24 and closed Dec. 5-7 and through 6 p.m. Dec. 8 in counties open for firearm deer hunting	Unrestricted except Nov. 5 (North) and Nov. 10 (South) opens at sunrise <sup>d</sup>	No Limit
	Fox (Red and Gray)	Nov. 10, 2013 - Jan. 31, 2014 (Statewide) Closed Nov. 22-23 and through 6 p.m. Nov. 24 and closed Dec. 5-7 and through 6 p.m. Dec. 8 in counties open for firearm deer hunting	Unrestricted except Nov. 10 opens at sunrise <sup>d</sup>	
	Coyote and Striped Skunk	Year round (Statewide) Closed Nov. 22-23 and through 6 p.m. Nov. 24 and closed Dec. 5-7 and through 6 p.m. Dec. 8 in counties open for firearm deer hunting <sup>e</sup>	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hr. after sunset; open 24 hours Nov. 10, 2013 - <b>March 15, 2014</b> <sup>e</sup>	

Furbearers—Trapping	SPECIES	DATES (INCLUSIVE) AND ZONES	LIMIT	SPECIAL REGULATIONS
	Raccoon, Opossum, Skunk, Weasel, Mink, Muskrat, Fox (Red and Gray), Coyote, Badger	Nov. 5, 2013 - Jan. 20, 2014 (North) Nov. 10, 2013 - Jan. 25, 2014 (South)	None except for badger, which is limited to 2 per person per season in north zone and 1 per person per season in south zone	
	Woodchuck (Groundhog)	June 1-Sept. 30, 2013 (Statewide)	None	
	Beaver	Nov. 5, 2013 - March 31, 2014 (North) Nov. 10, 2013 - March 31, 2014 (South)		
	River Otter	Nov. 5, 2013 - March 31, 2014 (North) Nov. 10, 2013 - March 31, 2014 (South)	5 per person per season (statewide)	Must purchase Otter Registration Permit within 48 hours after each otter is trapped. Must affix official CITES tag to each pelt.
	Extended Spring Season for Mink and Muskrat	Jan. 20, 2014 - Feb. 15, 2014 (North) Jan. 25, 2014 - Feb. 15, 2014 (South)	None	No foothold traps may be set for mink or muskrat. Body-gripping (killer) traps must be completely submerged underwater.

<sup>a</sup> On the 2nd day of the hunting season, you may possess no more than twice the daily bag limit.

<sup>b</sup> South — 1st season—April 7-11; 2nd season—April 12-17; 3rd season—April 18-23; 4th season—April 24-30; 5th season—May 1-8  
North — 1st season—April 14-18; 2nd season—April 19-24; 3rd season—April 25-30; 4th season—May 1-7; 5th season—May 8-15

<sup>c</sup> The daily bag and possession limits include mourning doves and white-winged doves in the aggregate. There is no bag limit on Eurasian-collared doves and ringed turtle doves, but they may be taken only during the established season dates and hours and using only legal methods for mourning doves. Hunters may not remain in the field for the purpose of taking Eurasian-collared doves or ringed turtle doves after they reach their daily bag limit for mourning/white-winged doves.

<sup>d</sup> During the Archery Deer Season bow hunting hours for coyote, striped skunk, raccoon, opossum, red fox and gray fox will be 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.

<sup>e</sup> Hunters with unfilled firearm deer permits may take coyotes during firearm deer season by shotgun with slugs, muzzleloader or handgun from 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.

<sup>f</sup> No hunter, regardless of the quantity or type of permits in his/her possession, may harvest more than two antlered deer during a year, including the archery, muzzleloader and youth firearm seasons. For the purpose of this bag limit, deer seasons are considered to be in the same year if their opening dates are within the same 12-month period that begins July 1.

<sup>g</sup> Antlered deer bag limit does not apply to this season.

## Trapper Education Classes Scheduled

**Torstenson Youth Education Center, Pecatonica** – Aug. 16-18, 2013.

Call (618) 637-9061

**Coles Creek Access Area Carlyle Lake, Boulder** – Sept. 13-15, 2013.

Call (618) 637-9061

**SIU Wildlife Annex, Carbondale** – Sept. 14, 2013. Call (618) 697-6837

**Clinton County Fairgrounds, Carlyle** – Oct. 5, 2013. Call (618) 637-9061

**Phillips Park, Aurora** – Oct. 6, 2013. Call (630) 851-7119 or email [varmintsherriff@hotmail.com](mailto:varmintsherriff@hotmail.com)

## Trapper Education Online Study

**F**irst-time trappers under the age of 18 are required to complete a trapper education course before purchasing a license. This requirement can be met by completing an online study course at [www.trappered.com](http://www.trappered.com). Schedules for instructor-taught courses can be accessed by calling (800) 832-2599 Ameritech Relay (800) 526-0844 or at [www.dnr.illinois.gov/safety](http://www.dnr.illinois.gov/safety).