



2009-2010 BAG LIMITS, SHOOTING HOURS, AND SEASON DATES FOR WATERFOWL SEASONS OCCURRING AFTER OCT. 1

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BAG LIMITS

- a) **Conventional bag:** 6 ducks with no more than 4 scoters, 4 mallards with no more than 2 hen mallards, 3 wood ducks, 2 redheads, 2 scaup, 1 black or mottled duck (season closed until December 1), 1 canvasback, 1 pintail, or 1 fulvous tree duck. The season on harlequin ducks is closed. (Possession limits are twice the daily bag unless otherwise noted.)
- b) **Other limits:**
- 1) 15 light geese (Includes snow & blue geese & Ross' geese), no possession limit
 - 2) 2 brant
 - 3) 5 mergansers (2 hooded mergansers)
 - 4) 7 sea ducks (In special sea duck areas only). In other areas sea ducks are part of the regular duck bag limit. No more than 4 scoters per day may be taken in either season.
 - 5) 15 coots
 - 6) 5 dark geese (Includes Canada geese & white-fronted geese) in the Resident Hunt Zone, 5 in the Southern James Bay Zone and 1 in the Northeast Hunt Zone.

HOURS: One-half hour before sunrise to sunset.

Ducks, Mergansers & Coots	October 7-10, November 14 – December 5 and December 19 - January 30 [Black and mottled ducks closed until Dec. 1]
Sea Ducks (Applies to extended bag limits only in Special Sea Duck Area.)	October 1 – January 30
Dark Geese (Includes Canada geese & white-fronted geese) To view a map of the goose hunt zones, refer to the Regulations Digest or www.ncwildlife.org	Resident Population Hunt Zone: Oct. 7-17, Nov. 14 – Dec. 5 and Dec. 19 – Feb. 6 Southern James Bay Hunt Zone (Gaddy Goose refuge closed after Sept. 30): Oct. 7 – Nov. 7 and Nov. 14 – Dec. 31. Northeast Hunt Zone: Jan. 23 – Jan. 30 (By permit only)
Light Geese (Includes snow & blue geese & Ross' geese)	October 17 - October 24 November 14 – March 10 Electronic calls and unplugged guns are allowed from February 8 – March 10
Brant	November 21 – December 5 and December 19 - January 30
Tundra Swan	November 14 - January 30 (By permit only - 5,000 will be issued.)
Youth Waterfowl Day (Species include ducks, geese, mergansers, coots and tundra swans. The youth must have a valid permit to harvest a tundra swan or a Canada goose (NE Hunt Zone only).	February 6, 2010 Youth must be 15 years of age or younger and accompanied by a properly licensed adult. The adult can not duck hunt but may participate in other seasons that are open on the special youth day.

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