



2020-2021 Bear Season Dates

This document serves as a quick reference guide to the 2020-2021 bear and wild turkey season dates.

Hunters should always refer to the 2020-2021 *Regulations Digest* (available Aug. 1, 2020) for a complete list of regulations, season dates, and bag limits.

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Species	Open Dates
Western Bear Seasons (Mountain Bear Mgmt. Unit)	Oct. 12 – Nov. 21, 2020 and Dec. 14, 2020 – Jan. 1, 2021: In and west of Surry, Wilkes, Caldwell, Burke and Cleveland counties.
Piedmont Bear Seasons (Piedmont Bear Mgmt. Unit)	<p>Nov. 14, 2020 – Jan. 1, 2021: Alamance, Anson, Cabarrus, Caswell, Chatham, Davidson, Durham, Granville, Guilford, Lee, Mecklenburg, Montgomery, Orange, Person, Randolph, Rockingham, Rowan, Stanly, and Union counties.</p> <p>Oct. 17, 2020 – Jan. 1, 2021: Franklin, Harnett, Hoke, Johnston, Moore, Richmond, Scotland, Vance, Wake and Warren counties.</p> <p>Nov. 21, 2020 – Jan. 1, 2021: Alexander, Catawba, Davie, Forsyth, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, Stokes and Yadkin counties.</p>
Eastern Bear Seasons (Coastal Bear Mgmt. Unit)	<p>Zone 1: Nov. 14 – Nov. 29, 2020 and Dec. 12 – Dec. 27, 2020: Dare, Hyde and Tyrrell counties.</p> <p>Zone 2: Nov. 14 – Nov. 22, 2020 and Dec. 12 – Dec. 27, 2020: Camden*, Chowan*, Currituck, Gates, Pasquotank* and Perquimans counties.</p> <p>*Per local law, bear season opens Nov. 13, 2020 in these 3 counties.</p> <p>Zone 3: Nov. 14 – Nov. 22, 2020 and Dec. 12 – Dec. 27, 2020: Beaufort, Bertie, Craven, Hertford, Jones, Martin and Washington counties.</p> <p>Zone 4: Nov. 21 – Dec. 20, 2020: Edgecombe, Greene, Halifax, Lenoir, Nash, Northampton, Pitt, Wayne and Wilson counties.</p> <p>Zone 5: Nov. 9, 2020 – Jan. 1, 2021: Bladen, Brunswick, Carteret, Columbus, Cumberland, Duplin, New Hanover, Onslow, Pamlico*, Pender, Robeson and Sampson counties.</p> <p>*The use of dogs for hunting bears is prohibited in Pamlico county.</p>

This document is not a regulatory guide. Hunters and trappers should always refer to *the North Carolina Inland Fishing, Hunting and Trapping Regulations Digest* for current regulations and local laws.