

New This Season

- Check stations have been eliminated. Hunters must check deer or turkeys online or by telephone (Page 36).
- Two of the four deer tags have been set aside for does only (Page 36).
- The 3-point rule has changed to a 4-point/18 inch main beam rule in deer zones 16, 16A and 17 (Page 42).
- Zone Doe Quota Permits have been replaced by doe days (pages 38-42).
- Does may be harvested during the Christmas Holiday Modern Gun Deer Hunt in deer zones 1 and 10 (Page 41).
- The bag limit for does has increased to four during the firearm season in deer zones 12 and 17 (Page 39).
- A second statewide youth season has been added to the modern gun deer season (Page 42).
- Youths 15 years and younger may harvest bucks during any season without regard to antler restrictions (Page 42).
- Deer zones 1, 2, 3, 14 and 15 have new boundaries. Deer zone 6 has been divided into three zones and deer zone 8 has been divided into two zones (Page 38).
- Turkey zone 1A is closed to fall archery turkey hunting (Page 46).
- Bear archery season is closed on Trusten Holder WMA (Page 123).
- The possession limit on squirrels has increased to 32.
- Crow season and fall squirrel season have been opened on Camp Robinson SUA (Page 80).
- Oklahoma, Montana and Minnesota have been removed from the cervid carcass importation ban. Michigan has been added to the list of prohibited carcass importation states (Page 24).
- Bobcat, coyote and fox may now be taken with up to .30 caliber firearms on Camp Robinson WMA during Jan. and Feb. daylight hours (pages 80-81).
- Bear archery, muzzleloader and modern gun seasons have opened on Petit Jean River WMA (Page 110).
- Bear archery and modern gun seasons have opened on Ed Gordon Point Remove WMA (Page 90).
- Dove hunting has been opened during the first week of the statewide dove season on the Wylie Cox Field Trial Area on the Ed Gordon Point Remove WMA.
- Bear archery and youth seasons have opened on Galla Creek WMA (Page 92).
- A permit youth deer hunt has been added to Steven N. Wilson Raft Creek Bottoms WMA (Page 120).
- Doe harvest is allowed during the first five days of muzzleloader season on Buffalo National River, White Rock, Mount Magazine, Ozark National Forest and Piney Creek WMAs (pages 79, 106, 109, 111 and 126).
- A one doe bag limit during the muzzleloader deer season has been added to Petit Jean River WMA (Page 110).
- The late modern gun deer season on Sylamore WMA (North Unit) begins on Nov. 27 (page 121-122).
- Firearms are restricted to muzzleloaders and shotguns on Beaver Lake WMA (Page 74).
- Palmetto Flats Natural Area WMA in Little River County has been added (Page 110).
- Hunting is prohibited within 100 feet of all maintained roads on Moro Big Pine Natural Area WMA (Page 70).
- Kill set traps can now be checked every 72 hours instead of every 24 hours.

Season Dates Summary

Deer Page 38

Archery:

Statewide: Oct. 1, 2009-Feb. 28, 2010.

Muzzleloader:

Deer zones 1, 1A, 2, 3, 4A, 5A, 6, 6A, 7, 8, 8A, 10, 11, 13, 14, and 15: Oct. 17-25 and Dec. 19-21, 2009.

Deer zones 9, 12, 16, 16A and 17: Oct. 17-25 and Dec. 29-31, 2009.

Deer zones 4, 4B, 5 and 5B: closed.

Modern gun:

Deer zones 1, 1A, 2, 3, 6, 6A, 7, 8, 8A, 10 and 11: Nov. 14-Dec. 6, 2009.

Deer zone 4: Nov. 14-15, 2009.

Deer zone 5: Nov. 14-15 and Nov. 21-22, 2009.

Deer zones 4B and 5B: Nov. 14-22, 2009.

Deer zones 4A, 5A, 13, 14 and 15: Nov. 14-Dec. 13, 2009.

Deer zones 9 and 12: Nov. 14-Dec. 20, 2009.

Deer zones 16, 16A and 17: Nov. 14-Dec. 25, 2009.

Christmas Holiday Modern Gun Deer Hunt:

Statewide: Dec. 26-28, 2009.

Special Youth Modern Gun Deer Hunt:

Statewide: Nov. 7-8, 2009 and Jan. 2-3, 2010.

Bear Page 44

Archery:

Bear zone 1: Oct. 1-Nov. 30, 2009.

Bear zone 2: Sept. 15-Nov. 30, 2009.

Bear zones 3, 4, 5, 5A, 6 and 7: closed.

Muzzleloader:

Bear zones 1 and 2: Oct. 17-25, 2009.

Bear zones 3, 4, 5, 5A, 6 and 7: closed.

Modern Gun:

Bear zones 1 and 2: Nov. 9-30, 2009.

Bear zone 5: Dec. 5-13, 2009 (closes earlier if quota is reached).

Bear zone 5A: Nov. 28-Dec. 13, 2009 (closes earlier if quota is reached).

Bear zones 3, 4, 6 and 7: closed.

Special Youth Modern Gun Bear Hunt:

Bear zones 1 and 2: Nov. 7-8, 2009.

Bear zones 3, 4, 5, 5A, 6 and 7: closed.

Turkey (Fall) Page 46

**Fall turkey season
is closed**

Elk Page 47

Elk zones 1, 2, 3, 4 and A: Sept. 21-25, 2009.

Elk zones 1, 2, 3, 4, A and B: Dec. 7-11, 2009.

Youth Hunt:

Elk zone 3: Dec. 7-11, 2009

Quail Page 48

Nov. 1, 2009-Feb. 7, 2010.

Rabbit Page 48

Sept. 1, 2009-Feb. 28, 2010.

Squirrel Page 48

Sept. 5, 2009-Feb. 28, 2010 and May 15-June 13, 2010.

Crow Page 48

Sept. 5, 2009-Feb. 20, 2010. Thursdays-Mondays only.

Furbearers Page 49

Trapping:

Furbearer trapping (other than coyote, beaver, muskrat, nutria): sunrise, Nov. 14, 2009-sunset, Feb. 21, 2010.

Coyote trapping: sunrise, Aug. 1, 2009-sunset, March 31, 2010.

Beaver, muskrat, nutria trapping: sunrise, Nov. 14, 2009-sunset, March 31, 2010.

Hunting:

Gray fox, mink, opossum, red fox, striped skunk hunting: sunrise, Sept. 1, 2009-sunset, Feb. 28, 2010.

Raccoon night hunting: sunset, July 1-sunrise, Aug. 31, 2009.

Raccoon day or night hunting: sunrise, Sept. 1, 2009-sunset, March 31, 2010.

Bobcat hunting: sunrise, Oct. 1, 2009-sunset Feb. 28, 2010 and from the first day of Spring Turkey Season through June 13.

Coyote hunting: sunrise, July 1, 2009-sunset Feb. 28, 2010 and from the first day of Spring Turkey Season through June 13.

River otter hunting: sunrise, Nov. 14, 2009-sunset, Feb. 28, 2010.

Muskrat, nutria, beaver hunting: sunrise, Sept. 1, 2009-sunset, March 31, 2010.

Badger, spotted skunk and weasel hunting: closed.

Regulations Schedule

Commission meetings are usually held on the third Thursday of each month to consider changes to AGFC regulations. Contact the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission for meeting times and locations. Information regarding regulation changes is available from www.agfc.com, the Arkansas Outdoors e-newsletter, newspapers, radio and television or by directly contacting the AGFC.

Meeting

January	General hunting regulations public input meetings.
February	General hunting regulations proposed.
March	General hunting regulations adopted.
April	Fishing considerations.
May	Fisheries regulations public input meetings.
June	Waterfowl public input meetings. Early migratory bird regulations proposed.
July	Early migratory bird regulations adopted. Late migratory bird regulations proposed.
August	Late migratory bird regulations adopted. Fishing regulations adopted. Spring turkey regulations public input meetings.
September	Spring turkey regulations proposed.
October	Spring turkey regulations adopted.
November	Special fishing regulations adopted.

2010-2011 General Hunting Public Meetings will be held around the state Jan. 5, 2010 from 7-9 p.m. Locations will be publicized prior to the meetings.

Call (800) 364-4263, or visit www.agfc.com for details.