Indiana 2020-2021

HUNTING & TRAPPING SEASONS



FURBEARERS	HUNTING DATES	TRAPPING DATES
Red & Gray Fox	Oct. 15, 2020-Feb. 28, 2021	Oct. 15, 2020-Jan. 31, 2021
Coyote & Striped Skunk	Oct. 15, 2020-Mar. 15, 2021	Oct. 15, 2020-Mar. 15, 2021
Raccoon & Opossum	Nov. 8, 2020-Jan. 31, 2021	Nov. 8, 2020-Jan. 31, 2021
Dog Running (Raccoon, Opossum) Chasing season only-no hunting	Feb. 1, 2020-Oct. 25, 2020; Feb. 1, 2021-Oct. 25, 2021	(no trapping)
Beaver	(no hunting)	Nov. 15, 2020-Mar. 15, 2021
Mink, Muskrat & Long-Tailed Weasel	(no hunting)	Nov. 15, 2020-Jan. 31, 2021
River Otter	(no hunting)	Nov. 15, 2020-Mar. 15, 2021*

^{*} There is a seasonal bag limit of 2 river otters per person; there are no daily bag or possession limits for the other species named above.

^{*} See Hunting and Trapping Guide for counties open to river otter trapping. Season may close earlier if statewide quota is reached.

WOODLAND BIG GAME	HUNTING DATES	BAG LIMIT*
Wild Turkey		1 bearded or
Youth	Apr. 17 & 18, 2021	male turkey per hunter in
Spring	Apr. 21, 2021-May 9, 2021	youth/spring season
Fall-Archery*	Oct.1, 2020-Nov.1, 2020; Dec.5, 2020-Jan.3, 2021	1 bird of either
Fall-Firearm*	-Firearm* Oct. 21, 2020-Nov. 1, 2020	

Turkey hunting hours: ½ hour before sunrise to sunset.

^{*} See Hunting and Trapping Guide for counties open to fall turkey hunting. No more than one bird of either sex may be taken in the fall turkey season, regardless of equipment. A separate turkey license is needed for the spring and fall turkey season.

Deer	
Reduction Zone*	Sept. 15, 2020-Jan. 31, 2021
Youth	Sept. 26 & 27, 2020
Archery	Oct. 1, 2020-Jan. 3, 2021
Firearms	Nov. 14, 2020-Nov. 29, 2020
Muzzleloader	Dec. 5, 2020-Dec. 20, 2020
Special Antlerless**	Dec. 26, 2020-Jan. 3, 2021

See current Hunting & Trapping Guide for deer season bag limits or visit wildlife.IN.gov

Deer hunting hours: $\frac{1}{2}$ hour before sunrise to $\frac{1}{2}$ hour after sunset.

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WOODLAND SMALL GAME	HUNTING DATES	DAILY LIMIT*
Gray & Fox Squirrel	Aug. 15, 2020-Jan. 31, 2021	5
Ruffed Grouse	Suspended	
UPLAND GAME	HUNTING DATES	DAILY LIMIT*
Pheasant (statewide-cock only)	Nov. 1, 2020-Dec. 15, 2020	2
Quail (North of I-74)**	Nov. 1, 2020-Dec. 15, 2020	4
Quail (South of I-74)**	Nov. 1, 2020-Jan. 10, 2021	8
Rabbit	Nov. 1, 2020-Feb. 28, 2021	5
MISCELLANEOUS GAME	HUNTING/TRAPPING DATES	DAILY LIMIT*
Crow	Jul.1 - Aug.15, 2020; Dec.13, 2020-Mar.1, 2021	No limit
Green Frog & Bullfrog	Jun. 15, 2020-Apr. 30, 2021	25
Eastern Snapping Turtle, Smooth & Spiny Softshell Turtles	Jul. 1, 2020-Mar. 31, 2021	4***
* The possession limit on pheasants quail rabbits	squirrels frogs and turtles is two times the daily had limit	·

^{*} The possession limit on pheasants, quail, rabbits, squirrels, frogs, and turtles is two times the daily bag limit.

^{*}Deer Reduction Zones, previously called Urban Zones, are in designated locations only.

^{**}Special Antlerless season is in all counties except those with a Bonus Antlerless quota of "A" (See Hunting & Trapping Guide).

^{**} Quail bag limits vary on some DNR properties (see Hunting & Trapping Guide).

^{***}Limit is singly or in aggregate. These species of turtles must have a carapace length of at least 12 inches.

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MIGRATORY BIRDS	HUNTING DATES	BAG LIMIT*
Snipe	Sept. 1, 2020-Dec.16, 2020	8
Woodcock	Oct. 15, 2020-Nov. 28, 2020	3
Sora Rail	Sept. 1, 2020-Nov. 9, 2020	25
Early Teal*	Sept. 12, 2020-Sept. 27, 2020	6
Dove	Sept. 1, 2020-Oct. 18, 2020 Nov. 1, 2020-Nov. 15, 2020 Dec. 12, 2020-Jan. 7, 2021	15**
WATERFOWL	HUNTING DATES	DAILY LIMIT*
	NORTH ZONE	
Ducks, Coots, Mergansers	Oct. 24, 2020-Dec. 13, 2020 Dec. 26, 2020-Jan. 3, 2021	***
Geese	Sept. 12, 2020-Sept. 20, 2020 Oct. 24, 2020-Nov. 1, 2020 Nov. 21, 2020-Feb. 14, 2021	***
Youth & Veteran	Oct. 17-18, 2020	Same as regular season*****
	CENTRAL ZONE	
Ducks, Coots, Mergansers	Oct. 31, 2020-Nov. 8, 2020 Nov. 21, 2020-Jan. 10, 2021	***
Geese	Sept. 12, 2020-Sept. 20, 2020 Oct. 31, 2020-Nov. 8, 2020 Nov. 21, 2020-Feb. 14, 2021	***
Youth & Veteran	Oct. 24-25, 2020	Same as regular season****
	SOUTH ZONE	
Ducks, Coots, Mergansers	Nov. 7-8, 2020 Nov. 28, 2020-Jan. 24, 2021	***
Geese	Sept. 12, 2020-Sept. 20, 2020 Nov. 7, 2020-Nov. 22, 2020 Nov. 28, 2020-Feb. 14, 2021	***
Youth & Veteran *Shooting hours are from suprise to supset	Oct. 31, 2020-Nov. 1, 2020	Same as regular season****

^{*}Shooting hours are from sunrise to sunset

^{**}The daily bag and possession limits are for mourning doves and white-winged doves in aggregate

^{***}The daily bag limit for coots is 15. The daily bag limit for mergansers is 5, which may include no more than 2 hooded mergansers. The daily bag limit for ducks is 6, which may include no more than 4 mallards (2 of which may be hens), 3 wood ducks, 2 canvasbacks, 1 pintail, 2 redheads, 2 black ducks, 1 mottled duck, and 1 or 2 scaup. The daily bag limit may include only 1 scaup before November 14 in the North Zone, November 28 in the Central Zone, and December 12 in the South Zone. The daily bag limit may include 2 scaup on or after those dates. The possession limit is 3 times the daily bag limit.

^{****}The daily bag limit for dark geese (Canada, white-front, brant) is 5 in the aggregate. During Sept., all 5 may be Canada geese; during the remainder of the season, no more than 3 may be Canada geese. The possession limit for dark geese is 3 times the daily bag limit. The daily bag limit for light geese (snow, blue, Ross) is 20. There is no possession limit for light geese.

^{******}For youth and veteran hunting dates, the daily bag for scaup is 1 per day.

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Spring	Apr. 27, 2022-May 15, 2022	youth/spring season	
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Fall-Firearm*	Oct. 20, 2021-Oct. 31, 2021 sex		

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Deer		
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Youth	Sept. 25 & 26, 2021	Hunting & Trapping Guide
Archery	Oct. 1, 2021-Jan. 2, 2022	for deer season
Firearms	Nov. 13, 2021-Nov. 28, 2021	bag limits or visit
Muzzleloader	Dec. 4, 2021-Dec. 19, 2021	wildlife.IN.gov
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