



**Assemblyman Brian Miller is a lifelong hunter and shares that passion with friends and family. Inside is information you'll need when enjoying this rich Upstate New York tradition with your family:**



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### REGULAR & BOWHUNTING DEER SEASONS

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

**2019**

**Youth Firearms Season**  
Season Dates: Oct. 12 - 14, 2019  
Area Open: Northern and Southern Zone, except bowhunting only WMUs  
Eligible Hunters: Youth 14-15 years of age  
Bag Limit: One deer (antlered or antlerless)  
Tags: Regular (either-sex), DMP and DMAP (antlerless-only). Bowfluzz tags are not valid.

**Crossbows**  
May be used to hunt deer during the Northern and Southern Zone Regular Seasons.  
May not be used to hunt deer:  
- during the Youth Firearms Season; or  
- anytime in WMUs 1C (Suffolk County), 3S (Westchester County), 4J or 8C.

**NORTHERN ZONE**  
Early Bowhunting--All WMUs: Sept. 27 - Oct. 25  
Crossbow: Oct. 16 - Oct. 25  
Regular: Oct. 26 - Dec. 9  
Late Bowhunting--Only WMUs 5A, 5G, 5J, 6A, 6C, 6G, and 8H: Dec. 9 - Dec. 15

**SOUTHERN ZONE**  
Early Bowhunting: Oct. 1 - Nov. 15  
Crossbow--Not in WMUs 4J or 8C: Nov. 2 - Nov. 15  
Regular (opens Saturday): Nov. 16 - Dec. 8  
Late Bowhunting: Dec. 9 - Dec. 17

**WESTCHESTER COUNTY (3S)**  
Regular--Bowhunting Only: Oct. 1 - Dec. 31

**SUFFOLK COUNTY (1C)**  
Regular--Bowhunting Only: Oct. 1, 2019 - Jan. 31, 2020  
Special Firearms--(Permit Req.): Jan. 5 - Jan. 31, 2020

**Antler Point Restrictions**  
During all seasons, antlered bucks must have at least one antler with 3 or more points that are at least 1 inch long. Young hunters (ages 12-16) are exempt.

**No Deer Hunting**

### MUZZLELOADING DEER SEASONS

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

**2019**

**Northern Zone**  
Deer of Either Sex: Oct. 19 - Oct. 25, Dec. 9 - Dec. 15  
Antlered Only: Oct. 19 - Oct. 25, Dec. 9 - Dec. 15  
Deer of Either Sex: Oct. 19 - Oct. 25  
Antlered Only: Oct. 19 - Oct. 25

**Southern Zone**  
Deer of Either Sex: Dec. 9 - Dec. 17

**Crossbows**  
May be used to hunt deer during the Northern and Southern Zone Muzzleloader Seasons.

**Antler Point Restrictions**  
During all seasons, antlered bucks must have at least one antler with 3 or more points that are at least 1 inch long. Young hunters (ages 12-16) are exempt.

**No Muzzleloading Season**

**Take It \* Tag It \* Report It**

1-866-426-3778 or the HuntFishNY Mobile App  
[www.dec.ny.gov](http://www.dec.ny.gov)

### BLACK BEAR SEASONS

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

**2019**

**Youth Firearms Season**  
Season Dates: Oct. 12 - 14, 2019  
Area Open: Northern and Southern Zone, except bowhunting only WMUs  
Eligible Hunters: Youth 14-15 years of age

**Northern Zone**  
Early Bear: Sept. 14 - Oct. 18  
Bowhunting: Sept. 14 - Oct. 25  
Crossbow: Oct. 16 - Oct. 25  
Muzzleloading: Oct. 19 - Oct. 25  
Regular: Oct. 26 - Dec. 8

**Southern Zone**  
Early Bear: Sept. 7 - Sept. 22  
Early Bowhunting: Oct. 1 - Nov. 15  
Crossbow--Not in 3S, 4J, or 8C: Nov. 2 - Nov. 15  
Regular: Nov. 16 - Dec. 9  
Late Bowhunting: Dec. 9 - Dec. 17  
Late Muzzleloading: Dec. 9 - Dec. 17

**Westchester County (3S)**  
Regular--Bowhunting Only: Oct. 1 - Dec. 31

**Crossbows**  
May be used to hunt bear during the early bear seasons, muzzleloader seasons, and the regular firearms seasons.  
May not be used to hunt bear anytime in WMUs 3S (Westchester County), 4J, or 8C.

**Allegany State Park** prohibits bear hunting.

### FALL TURKEY SEASONS

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

Season Bag Limit: 1 bird of either sex

**Fall 2019**  
Oct. 1 - Oct. 14  
Oct. 19 - Nov. 2  
Nov. 17 - Nov. 30

### BOBCAT HUNTING

Hunting Hours: After sunrise on opening day; and at any hour, day or night, for the rest of the open hunting season.

There are no bag limits.

**Season Dates 2019/20**  
Oct. 25 - Feb. 15  
Oct. 25 - Nov. 15\*  
Closed

\*A free special harvest expansion area permit is no longer required. You must still have a valid hunting license.

If you take a bobcat you must:  
1. Complete a Furbearer Possession Tag AND  
2. Get the pelt or unskinned animal sealed.

### SPRING TURKEY SEASON (no map)

Hunting Hours: One half - hour before sunrise to noon

Area Open: All of upstate New York north of the Bronx-Westchester County boundary

Season Dates: May 1 - May 31

Season Bag Limits: Two bearded turkeys (one bird per day)

### SPRING YOUTH HUNT

Season Dates: April 25 - 26, 2020

Area Open: Same as regular spring season Plus Suffolk County (WMU 1C)

Eligible hunters: Youth 12 - 15 years of age

### WEASEL, OPOSSUM, RACCOON, SKUNK, AND FOX HUNTING

Long Island: Nov. 1 - Feb. 25

All other areas of New York: Oct. 25 - Feb. 15.

There are no bag limits for these species. They may be hunted during the day or night.

### COYOTE HUNTING

Statewide except Long Island and New York City: Oct. 1 - Mar. 31

There are no bag limits for coyotes. They may be hunted during the day or night.

\* Information courtesy of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. For more information on hunting safety tips, hunting seasons in New York State, and how to obtain your hunting license, visit <http://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/hunting.html>.

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# New York State 2019-20 Hunting Season

**COTTONTAIL RABBIT HUNTING**

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

Season Dates 2019/20 Daily Bag Limits

Oct. 1 – Mar. 15	6
Oct. 1 – Feb. 29	6
Nov. 1 – Feb. 29	6

**VARYING HARE HUNTING**

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

Season Dates 2019/20 Daily Bag Limits

Oct. 1 – Mar. 15	6
Jan. 1 – Jan. 31	2
Dec. 9 – Feb. 29	2
Closed	

**GRAY, BLACK & FOX SQUIRREL HUNTING**

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

Red squirrels are unprotected, and may be hunted at any time without limit.

Season Dates 2019/20 Daily Bag Limits

Sept. 1 – Feb. 29	6
Nov. 1 – Feb. 29	6

**PHEASANT HUNTING**

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

- Cocks only
- Cocks & hens
- Cocks only east of Shinnecock Canal & Inlet

2019/20 Regular Season	2019 Youth Hunt	Bag Limits Daily	Season
Oct. 19 – Dec. 31	Oct. 12 & 13	2	-
Oct. 19 – Feb. 29	Oct. 12 & 13	2	-
Oct. 1 – Feb. 29	Sept. 28 & 29	2	-
Nov. 1 – Dec. 31	Oct. 26 & 27 †	2 <sup>†</sup> /4 <sup>**</sup>	30
Nov. 1 – Dec. 31	Oct. 26 & 27	2 <sup>†</sup> /4 <sup>**</sup>	30

**RUFFED GROUSE HUNTING**

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

Season Dates 2019/20 Daily Bag Limits

Sept. 20 – Feb. 29	4
Oct. 1 – Feb. 29	4
Closed	

**BOBWHITE QUAIL HUNTING**

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

Counties: Orange, Putnam, Nassau, Suffolk

Season Dates 2019/20	Bag Limits Daily	Season
Oct. 1 – Feb. 29	4	10
Nov. 1 – Dec. 31	6	40
Closed		

**WOODCOCK**

Oct. 1 – Nov. 14
Closed

**CROW**

Sept. 1 – Mar. 31 (Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays only)
Closed

**SNIPE, RAILS AND GALLINULES**

Sept. 1 – Nov. 9
Closed

A migratory duck stamp is not required to hunt these three groups of birds.

HIP registration is required for each of these species except crow. To register: [www.newyorkhip.org](http://www.newyorkhip.org) or 1-888-427-5447.

For seasons and bag limits for ducks and geese refer to the DEC website.



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## New York State License Fees

Resident Hunting (16-69)	\$22
Junior Hunting (12-15)	\$5
Senior Hunting (70+)	\$5
Bowhunting: Deer & Bear (16-69)	\$15 plus Hunting
Junior Bowhunting (12-15)	\$4 plus Junior Hunting
Muzzleloading (14-69)	\$15 plus Hunting
Turkey Permit (12+)	\$10 plus Hunting

## Lifetime Sporting Licenses

Combined (Hunting, Fishing, Turkey)	\$380 (under 5), \$535 (5-11), \$765 (12-69), \$65 (70+)
Hunting	\$535 (All ages)
Bowhunting	\$235 (All ages)
Muzzleloading	\$235 (All ages)
Fishing	\$460 (0-69), \$65 (70+)

Active military and some veterans may qualify for reduced fees.

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 HUNTING FEES  
 AND REGULATIONS.**

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**Hunting:** a time-honored tradition shared by half a million state residents annually. See inside for important information for the 2019-20 season.

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