## **Small Game Hunting Seasons**

## – REGULATIONS –

## 2014–2015 Small Game Hunting Seasons

Species (alphabetical)	Inclusive Dates	Hunting Hours	Daily Limits	Notes
Bobwhite (quail)	Closed statewide; except at Peaslee & Greenwood WMA (see Notes)	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	4	8 a.m. start on Nov. 8 Quail may be hunted ONLY at Peaslee and Greenwood For-
	At Peaslee & Greenwood WMAs ONLY: Nov. 8–Dec. 6; Dec. 15, 16, 18–31, 2014 and Jan. 1–31, 2015			est WMAs. Pheasant and Quail Stamp required.
				Season closed in remainder of the state. (See exceptions under Northern Bobwhite, page 64.)
Coyote* and Fox, Gen-	Bow and Arrow only: Sept. 13–Nov. 7 in DMZ Regulation			8 a.m. start on Nov. 8
eral	Sets 4–8 Oct. 4–Nov. 7 in DMZ Regulation Sets 0–3	½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	No limit	Deer hunters may harvest coyote and fox during all open deer seasons with restrictions as specified under Small Game Hunting <i>Coyote and Fox</i> , page 62.
All coyote must be reported within 24 hrs.	Firearm or Bow and Arrow:			Rifle permit required in possession when hunting with rifle (allowed only incidental to deer hunting).
Coyote* and Fox, Special Permit Season All coyote must be reported within 24 hrs.	Firearm or Bow and Arrow: Jan. 1–Mar. 14 (permit required)	Permit holders may hunt day and night with certain restric- tions; see <b>Notes</b> at right. Sunday hunting from mid- night Saturday (12:01 a.m.) to one hour before sunrise Sunday only.	No limit	For complete details, and for when a permit is required, see Small Game Hunting, <i>Coyote and Fox</i> , page 62.
				Calling and standing hunting only.
				Predator calling device must be in possession. See <i>Coyote/Fox Season</i> table, page 62, for firearm and
				ammo restrictions.
				Rifle permit required in possession when hunting with any legal rifle, allowed only during daytime hunting hours.
				During night hunting ( $\frac{1}{2}$ hour after sunset to $\frac{1}{2}$ hour before sunrise), only 10 or 12 gauge shotguns are permitted. See pellet restrictions in table on page 62. Coyote/fox permit required.
Crow** (Mon., Thurs., Fri., Sat.)	Aug. 11-Mar. 21 (See Notes.)	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	No limit	8 a.m. start on Nov. 8 Maximum shot size is #4
Grouse, Ruffed**	North of Rt. 70: Oct. 11–Dec. 6; Dec. 15, 16, 18–31	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	2	
	South of Rt. 70: Nov. 8–Dec. 6; Dec. 15, 16 and 18–31			8 a.m. start on Nov. 8
Opossum & Raccoon	Oct. 1 to Mar. 1	1 hour after sunset to 1 hour before sunrise	No limit	<b>Rifle permit required when hunting with rifle.</b> 7:41 p.m. start on Oct. 1. Closed Dec. 8–13 and Dec. 17.
Pheasant & Partridge	Nov. 8–Dec. 6; Dec. 15, 16, 18–31, 2014; Jan. 1–Feb. 16, 2015	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	Chukar — 7 Hungarian — 7 Pheasant — 2	8 a.m. start on Nov. 8 Pheasant and Quail Stamp required on designated areas (see <i>Small Game Hunting</i> page 64).
Rabbit, Hare & Jackrabbit**	Sept. 27–Dec. 6; Dec. 15, 16, 18–31, 2014; Jan. 1–Feb. 21, 2015	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	Cottontail — 4 Hare — 1 Jackrabbit — 1	8 a.m. start on Nov. 8
Squirrel, Gray**	Sept. 27–Dec. 6; Dec. 15, 16, 18–31, 2014; Jan. 1–Feb. 16, 2015	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	5	8 a.m. start on Nov. 8. Air guns are legal to harvest squirrel. See <i>General Small Game Hunting Methods</i> page 62.
Squirrel, Gray: Muzzleloading Rifle (.36 caliber or smaller)	Sept. 27–Nov. 7 and Jan. 4 to Feb. 16	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	5	<b>Rifle permit required.</b> Designated areas only (see <i>Small Game Hunting</i> page 66).
Turkey (Fall, Either-Sex)	(Period N) Oct. 25-Nov. 1	½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset.	1 Turkey (either sex) per permit	Permit required. Turkey Hunting Areas 1-5, 8, 9, 11, 20-22 only
Turkey (Spring Gobbler)	(Periods A to E) April 20–May 22	$\frac{1}{2}$ hour before sunrise to noon; starting May 11, hours are $\frac{1}{2}$ hour before sunrise to sunset	1 Male Turkey per permit	Permit required. Refer to 2015 turkey permit supplement, available in late January.
Turkey (Spring Gobbler, Youth)	(Period Y) April 18 to May 22, 2015	$\frac{1}{2}$ hour before sunrise to noon; starting May 11, hours are $\frac{1}{2}$ hour before sunrise to sunset	1 Male Turkey per permit	Permit required. Refer to 2015 turkey permit supplement, available in late January.
Woodchuck:** Bow, Rifle or Shotgun	March 1 to Oct. 1, 2014 March 2 to Sept. 30, 2015	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	No limit	<b>Rifle permit required when hunting with rifle.</b> Rifle hunting prohibited on state property (see <i>General Hunting</i> <i>Regulations</i> , page 25 and <i>Small Game Regulations</i> page 62).
Woodchuck: Bow or Shotgun	Sept. 27–Dec. 6; Dec. 15, 16, 18–31, 2014; Jan. 1–Feb. 16, 2015	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	No limit	8 a.m. start on Nov. 8
Woodcock**	See <i>Migratory Bird Regulations</i> ** on page 72	Sunrise to sunset	3 daily; 6 possession	HIP number required (see page 73). 8 a.m. start on Nov. 8
Youth Turkey Day	April 18, 2015	½ hour before sunrise to noon	1 Male Wild Turkey	Permit required. Refer to 2015 turkey permit supplement, avail able in late January.
Youth Upland Bird Day	Nov. 1, 2014	8 a.m. to sunset	Pheasant — 2 Quail — 4	Selected WMAs and licensed semi-wilds (see page 24).
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\* All harvested coyote must be reported to a regional Division Law Enforcement Office within 24 hours. Callers must identify themselves by name, CID# and daytime phone number. \*\* The starting time to hunt migratory birds on Nov. 8 only on those WMAs designated as Pheasant and Quail Stamp Areas shall be 8 a.m. See list of areas, page 64.