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Small Game - See pages 21 to 30 for more information

SQUIRRELS: Youth Hunt (Combined Species) Special season for eligible junior hunters (12-16 years old without a license who have successfully completed a Hunter-Trapper Education course and Junior License holders), and accompanied as required by law (see license information section), and mentored youth hunters - Oct. 6-12 (6 daily, 12 possession).

SQUIRRELS: (Combined Species) Oct. 13-Nov. 24, Dec. 10-24 & Dec. 26-Feb. 23, 2013 (6 daily, 12 possession).

GROUSE: Oct. 13-Nov. 24, Dec. 10-24 & Dec. 26-Jan. 26, 2013 (2 daily, 4 possession).

RABBIT: Special season for eligible junior hunters (12-16 years old without a license who have successfully completed a Hunter-Trapper Education course and Junior License holders), and accompanied as required by law (see license information section)- Oct. 6-13. (4 daily, 8 possession).

RABBIT: Oct. 20-Nov. 24, Dec. 10-24 & Dec. 26-Feb. 23, 2013 (4 daily, 8 possession).

PHEASANT: Junior Hunt Special season for eligible junior hunters (12-16 years old without a license who have successfully completed a Hunter-Trapper Education course and Junior License holders), and accompanied as required by law (see license information section)- Cocks only in WMUs 2A, 2C, 4C, 4E, 5A & 5B. Cocks or hens in WMUs 1A, 1B, 2B, 2D, 2E, 2F, 2G, 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D, 4A, 4B, 4D, 5C & 5D - Oct. 6-13 (2 daily, 4 possession).

PHEASANT: Cocks only in WMUs 2A, 2C, 4C, 4E, 5A & 5B - Oct. 20-Nov. 24. Cocks or hens in WMUs 1A, 1B, 2B, 2D, 2E, 2F, 2G, 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D, 4A, 4B, 4D, 5C & 5D - Oct. 20-Nov. 24, Dec. 10-24 & Dec. 26-Feb. 2, 2013 (2 daily, 4 possession). No taking of pheasants on any Wild Pheasant Recovery Area.

QUAIL: Closed in WMUs 4A, 4B, 5A, 5B, 5C & 5D. In all other WMUs, season dates: Oct. 20-Nov. 24. (4 daily, 8 possession)

SNOWSHOE HARES: Dec. 26-Jan. 1, 2013 in **WMUs 2F, 2G & 3A Only** (1 daily, 2 possession).

WOODCHUCKS: No closed season, except during the regular firearms antlered and antlerless deer seasons. Hunting on Sundays is prohibited. No Limit.

CROWS: July 1-April 7, 2013, on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays only. No limit.

Wild Turkey - See pages 34 to 35 for more information

FALL SEASONS: (Male or Female): WMU 2B (Shotgun & bow and arrow, including crossbows, only) Oct. 27-Nov. 16 & Nov. 22-24; WMUs 1A, 1B, 2A, 2C, 2D, 2E, 4A, 4B & 4D - Oct. 27-Nov. 10 & Nov. 22-24; WMUs 2F, 2G, 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D, 4C & 4E - Oct. 27-Nov. 16 & Nov. 22-24; WMU 5A - Oct. 30-Nov. 1; WMUs 5B, 5C & 5D- Closed to fall hunting. (1 bird limit, either sex).

SPRING GOBBLER: (Bearded bird only) Statewide: April 27-May 31, 2013 (1 bird limit, except if you possess a second turkey license, and then another bearded turkey can be taken, but only one bird per day may be taken).

YOUTH SPRING GOBBLER: (Bearded bird only and one bird limit) Statewide: Saturday, April 20, 2013. Eligible junior hunters with required license properly accompanied as required by law, and properly permitted mentored youth hunters.

Black Bear - See pages 36 to 38 for more information

Archery (Including Crossbow) Only: STATEWIDE - Nov. 12-16. WMUs 2B, 5C & 5D - Sept. 15-Nov. 10. WMU 5B - Sept. 29-Nov. 10. One bear per license year. Bear license required in addition to regular hunting license.

Muzzleloader: WMUs 2B, 5B, 5C & 5D - Oct. 13-20. One bear per license year. Bear license required in addition to regular hunting license.

Bear, Special Firearms (WMUs 2B, 5B, 5C & 5D)- Oct. 18-20 for Junior and Senior license holders (Also, persons (residents and nonresidents) who have reached or will reach their 65th birthday in year of license application and either hold a valid adult license, or qualify for license and fee exemptions under section 2706), disabled persons with permit to use a vehicle as a blind, and Pennsylvania residents serving on active duty in U.S. Armed Services, or in the U.S. Coast Guard only. Bear license required.

Regular Firearms Season: STATEWIDE - Nov. 17, 19, 20 & 21. One bear per license year. Bear license required

Extended Firearms Season: WMUs 3D, 4C, 4D & 4E - Nov. 28-Dec. 1. WMUs 2B, 5B, 5C & 5D - Nov. 26-Dec. 8. Bear license required. One bear per license year.

Extended Firearms Season: WMUs 3A & 3C - Nov. 26-Dec. 1; also **Portion of WMU 3B** east of Rt. 14 from Troy to Canton, east of Rt. 154 from Canton to Rt. 220 at Laporte and east of Rt. 42 from Laporte to Rt. 118 and that **portion of WMU 4E** east of Rt. 42. **Portions of WMUs 2G in Lycoming and Clinton counties, and 3B in Lycoming County, that lie north of the West Branch of the Susquehanna River** from the Rt. 405 bridge, west to Rt. 15 at Williamsport, Rt. 15 to Rt. 220, north of Rt. 220 to the Mill Hall exit, north of S.R. 2015 to Rt. 150, east of Rt. 150 to Lusk Run Rd. and south of Lusk Run Rd. to Rt. 120, Rt. 120 to Veterans Street Bridge to S.R. 1001, east of S.R. 1001 to Croak Hollow Rd., south of Croak Hollow Rd. to Rt. 664 (at Swissdale), south of Rt. 664 to Little Plum Rd. (intersection of S.R. 1003), south of S.R. 1003 to S.R. 1006, south of S.R. 1006 to Sulphur Run Rd., south of Sulphur Run Rd. to Rt. 44, east of Rt.44 to Rt. 973, south of Rt. 973 to Rt. 87, west of Rt. 87 to Rt. 864, south of Rt. 864 to Rt. 220 and west of Rt. 220 to Rt. 405 and west of Rt. 405 to the West Branch of the Susquehanna River. Bear license required. One bear per license year.

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Deer - See pages 45 to 56 for more information

DEER, ARCHERY (Antlered & Antlerless) Statewide: Sept. 29-Nov. 12 & Dec. 26-Jan. 12, 2013. One antlered deer per license year, and an antlerless deer with each required antlerless license.
DEER, ARCHERY (Antlerless only) WMUs 2B, 5C & 5D: Sept. 15-28 & Nov. 12-24. An antlerless deer with each required antlerless license.
DEER, ARCHERY (Antlered & Antlerless) WMUs 2B, 5C & 5D: Jan. 14-26, 2013. One antlered deer per license year, and an antlerless deer with each required antlerless license.

DEER, Regular Firearms (Antlered & Antlerless): WMUs 1A, 1B, 2B, 3A, 3D, 4A, 4C, 5A, 5B, 5C & 5D: Nov. 26-Dec. 8. One antlered deer per hunting license year, and an antlerless deer with each required antlerless license.
DEER, Regular Firearms (Antlered Only): WMUs 2A, 2C, 2D, 2E, 2F, 2G, 3B, 3C, 4B, 4D & 4E: Nov. 26-30. One antlered deer. Holders of valid DMAP antlerless deer permits may harvest antlerless deer on DMAP properties during this period.
DEER, Regular Firearms (Antlered & Antlerless): WMUs 2A, 2C, 2D, 2E, 2F, 2G, 3B, 3C, 4B, 4D & 4E: Dec. 1-8. One antlered deer per hunting license year, and an antlerless deer with each required antlerless license.

DEER, ANTLERLESS only, Special Firearms (Statewide): Oct. 18-20 for Junior and Senior license holders (Also, persons (residents and nonresidents) who have reached or will reach their 65th birthday in year of license application and either hold a valid adult license, or qualify for license and fee exemptions under section 2706), disabled persons with permit to use a vehicle as a blind, and Pennsylvania residents serving on active duty in U.S. Armed Services, or in the U.S. Coast Guard only. An antlerless deer with each required antlerless license.

DEER, ANTLERLESS only, Extended Regular Firearms (WMUs 2B, 5C & 5D): Dec. 26-Jan. 26, 2013. An antlerless deer with each required antlerless license.

DEER, ANTLERLESS only, MUZZLELOADER (Statewide): Oct. 13-20. An antlerless deer with each required antlerless license.
DEER, ANTLERED or ANTLERLESS FLINTLOCK (Statewide): Dec. 26-Jan. 12, 2013. One antlered or antlerless deer with general license and muzzleloader license plus an additional antlerless deer with each required antlerless license.
DEER, ANTLERED or ANTLERLESS FLINTLOCK (WMUs 2B, 5C & 5D): Dec. 26-Jan. 26, 2013. One antlered or antlerless deer with general license and muzzleloader license plus an additional antlerless deer with each required antlerless license.

Furtaking - See pages 73 to 76 for more information

HUNTING: **RACCOONS & FOXES:** Oct. 20-Feb. 16, 2013. Unlimited. **COYOTES, OPOSSUMS, SKUNKS & WEASELS:** No closed season, with certain exceptions during big game seasons. No limits. **BOBCATS: (WMUs 2A, 2C, 2E, 2F, 2G, 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D, 4A, 4C, 4D & 4E):** Jan.15-Feb. 5, 2013. One bobcat per license year. All licensed furtakers may obtain one bobcat permit.

TRAPPING: **MINK & MUSKRATS** - Nov. 17-Jan. 6, 2013. Unlimited. **COYOTES, FOXES, OPOSSUMS, RACCOONS, SKUNKS, WEASELS** - Oct. 21-Feb. 17, 2013. Unlimited. Cable restraint devices may be used by those with certification cards for coyotes and foxes from Dec. 26-Feb. 17, 2013. **BEAVERS (Statewide)** - Dec. 26-Mar. 31, 2013 (limits vary depending on WMU). **BOBCAT: (WMUs 2A, 2C, 2E, 2F, 2G, 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D, 4A, 4C, 4D & 4E):** Dec. 15-Jan. 6, 2013. One bobcat per license year. All licensed furtakers may obtain one bobcat permit. **FISHER: (WMUs 2C, 2D, 2E, 2F, 2G & 4D):** Dec. 15-20. One fisher per license year. All licensed furtakers may obtain one fisher permit.