

2023 - 2024 Hunting Seasons

Deer Season	Season Dates	Bag Limits
Youth Deer Hunt Days	12 August 2023 and 6 January 2024	12 Aug: 1 Antlered Deer 6 Jan: 1 Antlered and 1 Antlerless
Antlered Deer	15 August 2023 - 24 December 2023 & 26 December 2023 - 1 January 2024	1 per day, 2 per season
Antlerless Deer	15 September 2023 - 24 December 2023 & 26 December 2023 - 1 January 2024	1 per day, 2 per season

*Only antlered deer may be harvested on 12 August, but Quality Deer Management Area restrictions do not apply to Youth Days. Only hunters 17 or younger may harvest deer on Youth Days. Any deer harvested on these hunts count towards the hunters season bag limits, but tags are not required.

*Within Quality Deer Management Area boundaries, any antlered deer harvested must have a minimum of four antler points (one inch or longer) on one side of antlers, or a 13 inch minimum inside antler spread. In areas outside of the QDMA boundaries, a hunter may harvest 1 antlered deer that does not meet these requirements. All antlered deer, regardless of harvest location, count towards the 2 per season bag limit.

*An antlerless deer is defined as a deer with no antlers or a deer with less than two inches of antler visible above the hairline. Any deer harvested meeting this criteria counts towards the

Migratory Birds	Season Dates	Bag Limits
Doves	2 - 4 September 2023 - Afternoon Only 5 September 2023 - 7 October 2023 11 - 25 November 2023 24 December 2023 - 31 January 2024	15
Early Teal	15 - 30 September 2023	6
Early Canada Geese	1 - 30 September 2023	15
Ducks / Geese	18 - 25 November 2023 12 December 2023 - 31 January 2024 See additional youth and active duty/veteran dates listed below	ALL state and federal species limits apply
Late Canada Geese	15 February 2024 - 1 March 2024	5
All other migratory species	State and Federal Season dates apply	State and Federal Bag Limits apply

*Managed dove fields are opened through iSportsman for dove hunting on a rotational basis. During all dove seasons, the managed dove fields may not be hunted unless that field is open in iSportsman and the hunter is checked in to it. Dove fields will be opened on weekends and federal holidays only during the September/October season.

*Unless otherwise authorized by the DPW Wildlife Branch, shooting hours for doves in fields opened for morning hunts will be from legal sunrise until 1200, and shooting hours for fields opened for afternoon hunts will be from 1200 until either 1800 or legal sunset, whichever occurs first.

*Waterfowl hunting is authorized on Saturdays, Sundays, opening and closing days of the seasons, and Federal holidays, except during early and late Canada goose seasons when geese may be hunted daily. No waterfowl hunting is allowed anywhere unless the area is open in iSportsman as a waterfowl area.

*Shooting hours for Waterfowl are one-half hour before official sunrise until 1200, with the following exceptions. Shooting hours for resident Canada geese during the early and late Canada goose season are one-half hour before official sunrise to official sunset. During the early Canada goose season (Sept.), only Canada geese may be harvested before official sunrise or after 1200 (i.e., no teal). Shooting hours for the early teal season on Fort Jackson are from official sunrise until 1200.

*State Youth Day: 11 November 2023 (Legal Species: Ducks, mergansers, coots). Only youth who are 17 years of age or younger may hunt, but they must be accompanied by an adult of at least 21 years of age who is fully licensed. Youth who are 16 and 17 years of age, who hunt on this day, must possess a Migratory Bird Permit and a valid Federal Waterfowl Stamp. Daily and possession bag limits are the same as indicated for regular seasons.

*Federal Youth Waterfowl Days: 3 February and 10 February 2024. Only hunters 17 years of age or younger may hunt on these days but must be accompanied by a person at least 18 years of age. Youth who are 16 and 17 years of age, who hunt on these days, must possess a valid South Carolina hunting license and Migratory Bird Permit and a valid Federal Waterfowl Stamp. All bag limits listed for the regular duck/goose/merganser season apply.

*Veteran/Active Duty Military Waterfowl Days: 3 February and 10 February 2024. Veterans and active duty military who hunt on this day must possess a valid South Carolina hunting license and Migratory Bird Permit and a valid Federal Waterfowl Stamp. All bag limits listed for the regular duck/goose/merganser season apply.

Small Game	Season Dates	Bag Limits
Bobwhite Quail	20 November 2023 - 1 March 2024	4 per day
Squirrel	1 October 2023 - 1 March 2024	10 Gray Squirrels per day, 1 Fox Squirrel per season
Rabbit	23 November 2023 - 1 March 2024	5 per day
Raccoon / Opossum	1 October 2023 - 1 March 2024	3 Racoons per party per day & 3 Opossums per party per day
Non - Game	Season Dates	Bag Limits

Coyotes, Hogs, Armadillos, and Beavers	See Fort Jackson Hunting and Fishing Regulation 28-4	No Limit
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