

Illinois Digest of Hunting and Trapping Regulations 2017–2018 Sunrise – Sunset Time Table

Waterfowl Dates and Information					
SPECIES	DATES (INCLUSIVE) AND ZONES		HOURS	DAILY LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT
Youth (see Special Regulations)	Oct. 14 - 15, 2017 (North) Oct. 21 - 22, 2017 (Central) Nov. 4 - 5, 2017 (South Central) Nov. 11 - 12, 2017 (South)		1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	All species open, see bag limits for each*	
Duck	Oct. 21 - Dec. 19, 2017 (North) Oct. 28 - Dec. 26, 2017 (Central)			6 ^a	18 ^a
Mergansers	Nov. 11, 2017 - Jan. 9, 2018 (So. Central)			5 ^a	15 ^a
Coots	Nov. 23, 2017 - Jan. 21, 2018 (South)			15	45
Early Canada Geese	Sept. 1 - 15, 2017 (North and Central)			5	15
	(So. Central and South)			2	6
Canada Geese	Oct. 21, 2017 - Jan. 18, 2018 (North) Oct. 28 - Nov. 5, 2017 and Nov. 12, 2017 - Jan. 31, 2018 (Central) Nov. 11, 2017 - Jan. 31, 2018 (So. Central) Nov. 23, 2017 - Jan. 31, 2018 (South)		2	6	
	Teal	Sept. 9 - 24, 2017 (All Zones)		Sunrise to sunset	6
White-fronted Geese (Specklebellies)	Oct. 23, 2017 - Jan. 18, 2018 (North) Nov. 5, 2017 - Jan. 31, 2018 (Central) Nov. 11, 2017 - Jan. 31, 2018 (So. Central) Nov. 23, 2017 - Jan. 31, 2018 (South)		1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	2	6
	Conservation Order Light Geese (see Special Regulations)	Jan. 19 - March 31, 2018 (North) Feb. 1 - March 31, 2018 (Central, So. Central and South)		1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	Unlimited
Dove ^c	Sept. 1 - Nov. 14, 2017; Dec. 26, 2017 - Jan. 9, 2018		Sunrise to sunset	15 ^a	45 ^a

* The daily bag and possession limits include mourning doves and white-winged doves in the aggregate. There is no bag limit on Eurasian-collared doves and ringed turtle doves, but they may be taken only during the established season dates and hours and using only legal methods for mourning doves. Hunters may not remain in the field for the purpose of taking Eurasian-collared doves or ringed turtle doves after they reach their daily bag limit for mourning/white-winged doves.

2017 - 2018 Illinois Waterfowl Season (please refer to the Illinois Digest of Waterfowl Hunting Regulations for more regulations)

***Bag Limit – DUCKS** – Bag limits on ducks are as follows: The basic daily bag limit shall be 6 ducks of any species including all teal species, (except mergansers); however, no more than 4 shall be mallards (no more than 2 hen mallards) and not more than 3 wood ducks, 3 scaup, 2 redheads, 2 canvasbacks, 2 black ducks and not more than 1 pintail and 1 mottled duck. The daily bag limit for all mergansers is 5, only 2 of which may be hooded mergansers. The possession limit for ducks and mergansers is three (3) times the daily bag limit by species and sex.

Special Regulations

Youth Waterfowl Hunting Day Regulations

1.) Youth hunters must be 17 years of age or younger and must have a hunting license and HIP registration/certification unless hunting on property where they reside. No stamps are required for youths under 16. State and federal waterfowl stamps are required for all hunters age 16 and older, even those hunting with a Youth License, unless exempt (see page 8). Hunters aged 18 years and older may not hunt waterfowl and coots during the Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days, even if hunting with a Youth License.

Conservation Order Light Goose Season Regulations (Spring Snow Goose Season)

1.) Unplugged shotguns may be used. There is no limit to the number of shells that may be placed in a shotgun. 2.) Electronic calling devices may be used. 3.) No federal duck stamp required. 4.) Illinois duck stamp and hunting license required.

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Please refer to the Hunting & Trapping Regulations booklet for a complete listing of species, dates and limits.

This insert card was created at the request of Illinois hunters from their opinions expressed in the 2013-2014 survey entitled *Illinois Hunters' Attitudes toward Seasons, Bag Limits, and Regulations*.

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Small Game Season Dates and Limits Information

SPECIES	DATES (INCLUSIVE) AND ZONES	HOURS	DAILY LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT	
Rabbit (Cottontail & Swamp)	Nov. 4, 2017 - Feb. 15, 2018 (Statewide)		sunrise to sunset	4	10 ^a
Cook Pheasant				2	6 ^a
Hungarian (Gray) Partridge	Nov. 4, 2017 - Jan. 8, 2018 (North) Nov. 4, 2017 - Jan. 15, 2018 (South)			2	6 ^a
Quail (Bobwhite)				8	20 ^a
Squirrel (Fox and Gray)	Aug. 1, 2017 - Feb. 15, 2018 (Statewide) Closed Nov. 17 - 19 and Nov. 30 - Dec. 3 in counties open for firearm deer hunting		1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	5	10 ^a
Woodchuck (Groundhog)	June 1, 2017 - March 31, 2018 Closed Nov. 17 - 19 and Nov. 30 - Dec. 3 in counties open for firearm deer hunting			No Limit	

^a On the 2nd day of the hunting season, you may possess no more than twice the daily bag limit.

Deer & Turkey Season Dates and Limits Information

SPECIES	DATES (INCLUSIVE) AND ZONES	HOURS	LIMIT
Firearm Deer (Handgun, Muzzleloader & Shotgun)	Nov. 17 - 19, 2017; Nov. 30 - Dec. 3, 2017		One deer per firearm permit ¹
Deer (Muzzleloading rifles only)	Dec. 8 - 10, 2017 (also allowed Nov. 30 - Dec. 3)		One deer per muzzleloading rifle permit ¹
Special CWD Deer Season	Dec. 28 - 31, 2017 and Jan. 12 - 14, 2018		One deer per valid deer permit ²
Late-Winter Antlerless Deer (Handgun, Muzzleloader & Shotgun)	Dec. 28 - 31, 2017 and Jan. 12 - 14, 2018		One antlerless deer per permit
Deer (Archery in counties with a Firearm season and west of Rt. 47 in Kane County)	Oct. 1 - Nov. 16, Nov. 20 - 29, and Dec. 4, 2017 - Jan. 14, 2018		One deer per archery permit ¹
Deer (Archery in Cook, DuPage, Kane (east of Route 47) and Lake counties)	Oct. 1, 2017 - Jan. 14, 2018		One deer per archery permit ¹
Youth Firearm Deer Season	Oct. 7 - 9, 2017 and Nov. 17 - 19, 2017		One deer
Youth Turkey Season (1 permit per year)	March 31 - April 1, 2018 and April 7 - 8, 2018 (Statewide)		One gobbler or bearded hen, counts toward maximum of 3 spring permits
Turkey (Spring Shotgun or Archery)	April 9 - May 10, 2018 ³ (South) April 16 - May 17, 2018 ³ (North)		One gobbler or bearded hen per permit, maximum of 3
Turkey (Fall Shotgun Season)	Oct. 21 - 29, 2017		One either-sex turkey per permit, maximum of 2
Turkey (Fall Archery)	Oct. 1, 2017 - Jan. 14, 2018, except closed during firearm deer season in counties open to firearm deer hunting		One either-sex turkey per permit, maximum of 2

¹ South – 1st season – April 9 - 13; 2nd season – April 14 - 19; 3rd season – April 20 - 25; 4th season – April 26 – May 2; 5th season – May 3-10 North – 1st season – April 16 - 20; 2nd season – April 21 - 26; 3rd season – April 27 – May 2; 4th season – May 3 - 9; 5th season – May 10 - 17

² No hunter, regardless of the quantity or type of permits in his/her possession, may harvest more than two antlered deer during a year, including the youth, archery, muzzleloader and firearm seasons. For the purpose of this bag limit, deer seasons are considered to be in the same year if their opening dates are within the same 12-month period that begins July 1.

³ Antlered deer bag limit does not apply to this season.

Sunrise – Sunset Time Table

The map and table provide Central Standard Time sunrise and sunset times by region from August through May.

Match month and date with the zone you hunt in and add the appropriate number of minutes for the sunrise/sunset time. These times have been adjusted to reflect the correct time on all dates, including Standard Time and Daylight Saving Time. This table is also available at www.dnr.illinois.gov/hunting.



* See table for actual times

	August		September		October		November		December		January		February		March		April		May	
Day	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set
1	5:51	8:07	6:21	7:24	6:50	6:35	7:23	5:50	6:56	4:28	7:15	4:38	7:02	5:12	6:26	5:45	6:37	7:17	5:53	7:48
2	5:52	8:06	6:22	7:22	6:51	6:33	7:24	5:49	6:57	4:28	7:15	4:39	7:01	5:13	6:25	5:46	6:35	7:18	5:52	7:49
3	5:53	8:04	6:23	7:21	6:52	6:32	7:25	5:48	6:58	4:28	7:15	4:40	7:00	5:14	6:23	5:47	6:34	7:19	5:50	7:50
4	5:54	8:03	6:24	7:19	6:53	6:30	7:26	5:47	6:59	4:27	7:15	4:41	6:59	5:16	6:22	5:48	6:32	7:20	5:49	7:51
5	5:55	8:02	6:25	7:18	6:54	6:28	7:27	5:46	7:00	4:27	7:15	4:42	6:58	5:17	6:20	5:49	6:30	7:21	5:48	7:52
6	5:56	8:01	6:26	7:16	6:55	6:27	7:28	5:45	7:01	4:27	7:15	4:43	6:57	5:18	6:19	5:50	6:29	7:22	5:47	7:53
7	5:57	8:00	6:27	7:14	6:56	6:25	7:29	5:44	7:02	4:27	7:15	4:44	6:55	5:19	6:17	5:51	6:27	7:24	5:46	7:54
8	5:58	7:59	6:28	7:13	6:57	6:24	7:30	5:43	7:03	4:27	7:15	4:45	6:54	5:20	6:16	5:52	6:26	7:25	5:45	7:55
9	5:59	7:57	6:29	7:11	6:58	6:22	7:31	5:42	7:04	4:27	7:15	4:46	6:53	5:22	6:14	5:54	6:24	7:26	5:44	7:56
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Source data for Champaign Illinois: http://aa.usno.navy.mil/data/docs/RS_OneYear.php. Times have not been adjusted to reflect the correct time on all dates, including during Standard Time and Daylight Saving Time. Hunters and Trappers using these tables DO NOT NEED TO ADD OR SUBTRACT AN HOUR. These times are a guide and may not be the official sunrise/sunset times for hunting seasons.

