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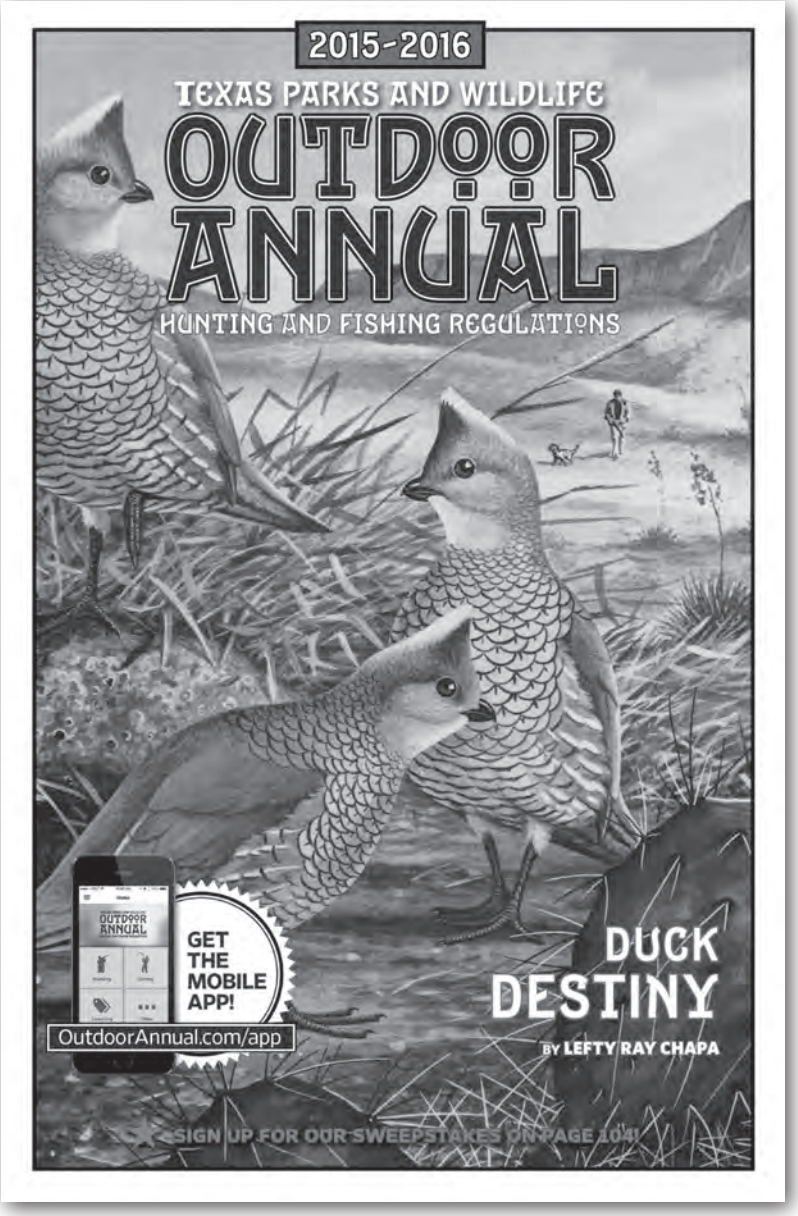
HUNTING AND FISHING REGULATIONS



TEXAS PARKS & WILDLIFE

2015-2016 Hunting Seasons

In addition to a hunting license, a migratory game bird stamp endorsement ($7) is required to hunt any migratory game bird, including mourning dove (a Federal Sandhill Crane Permit is required to hunt sandhill crane). An upland game bird stamp endorsement ($7) is required to hunt turkey, quail, pheasant, or chachalacas. See County Listings for specific county regulations.

ALLIGATOR	
22 counties & special properties (by permit only)	Sept. 10–30
Remainder of the state	Apr. 1 – June 30
PRONGHORN ANTELOPE (see Special Notes, pg. 76)	Oct. 3-11
DOVE (Please report leg bands to www.reportband.gov)	
North Zone and Central Zone	Sept. 1 - Oct. 25, Dec. 18 - Jan. 1
South Zone	Sept. 18 - Oct. 21, Dec. 18 - Jan. 22
Special White-winged Dove Area	Sept. 5,6,12 & 13, Sept. 18 - Oct. 21, Dec. 18 - Jan. 18
EARLY TEAL-ONLY	
Statewide	Sept. 12-27
CANADA GOOSE-ONLY	
Eastern Zone Only	Sept. 12-27
WHITE-TAILED DEER	
Archery-Only Season	Oct. 3 - Nov. 6
GENERAL SEASON:	
*Special Youth Season	Oct. 31 - Nov. 1, Jan. 4-17
North Zone (see County Listings)	Nov. 7 – Jan. 3
South Zone (see County Listings)	Nov. 7 – Jan. 17
Late Antlerless & Spike:	
North Zone (see County Listings)	Jan. 4-17
South Zone (see County Listings)	Jan. 18-31
Muzzleloader (see County Listings)	Jan. 4-17
MULE DEER	
Archery-Only Season	Oct. 3 - Nov. 6
General Season:	
Panhandle (see County Listings)	Nov. 21 – Dec. 6
SW Panhandle (see County Listings)	Nov. 21-29
Trans-Pecos (see County Listings)	Nov. 27 – Dec. 13
JAVELINA	
North Zone (see County Listings)	Oct. 1 – Feb. 28
South Zone (see County Listings)	Sept. 1 – Aug. 31
SQUIRREL	
**Special Youth Season	Sept. 26-27
East Texas (see County Listings)	Oct. 1 – Feb. 28, May 1–31
Other open counties (see County Listings)	Sept. 1 – Aug. 31
PHEASANT	
Panhandle (see County Listings)	Dec. 5 – Jan. 3
QUAIL Statewide (all counties)	Oct. 31 – Feb. 28
RIO GRANDE TURKEY	
Archery-Only Season	Oct. 3 - Nov. 6
FALL SEASON:	
*Special Youth Season	Oct. 31 - Nov. 1 (Statewide), Jan. 4-17 (North Zone only)
North Zone (see County Listings)	Nov. 7 – Jan. 3
South Zone (see County Listings)	Nov. 7 – Jan. 17
Brooks, Kenedy, Kleberg & Willacy counties	Nov. 7 – Feb. 28
SPRING SEASON:	
North Zone (see County Listings)	April 2 – May 15
*Special Youth Season	Mar. 26-27, May 21-22
South Zone (see County Listings)	Mar. 19 - May 1
*Special Youth Season	Mar. 12-13, May 7-8
1-Turkey Bag Limit (see County Listings)	Apr. 1–30
+EASTERN TURKEY	
Spring-Only Season: East Texas (see County Listings)	Apr. 15 – May 14
CHACHALACA	
Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr and Willacy counties	Oct. 31 - Feb. 28
RABBITS AND HARES	No closed season.

* In all counties that have an open season for those species.
** In all counties that have an Oct. 1 - Feb. 28 and May 1-31 open season.
\+ Rio Grande and Eastern Turkey may be hunted in these counties.

2015-2016 SUMMARY OF FISHING AND HUNTING REGULATIONS

Valid September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2016

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The information in this guide is a **SUMMARY** of regulations and statutes governing hunting and fishing. For more detailed information on game and regulations, please contact a TPWD Law Enforcement office (see pg. 18) or call (800) 792-1112 (8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday). Please note that information contained in this summary is subject to change by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission, the Texas Legislature, and/or the federal government. The official regulations, current to the day, can be accessed at www.sos.state.tx.us/tac under Title 31 of the Texas Administrative Code. The Texas Parks and Wildlife Code can be accessed at: www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us

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Hunting and fishing regulations, as well as state-mandated hunter education and safety information, are also available online in Spanish. Visit **www.tpwd.texas.gov/espanol**, or with specific questions call (800) 792-1112.

En español, el sumario del reglamento para cacería y pesca, así como la información sobre el requisito de certificación de educación y seguridad en la caza, se encuentran disponibles en línea visitando: **www.tpwd.texas.gov/espanol** o con preguntas específicas llamando a (800) 792-1112.

WHERE TO GET INFORMATION AND LICENSES

Recreational hunting and fishing licenses and endorsements are available at approximately 1,800 locations throughout the state in addition to the offices listed below. These locations include sporting goods stores, gun shops, department stores, discount stores, bait and tackle shops, grocery stores, and many other types of stores. Some commercial hunting and fishing licenses are available ONLY at the Austin headquarters and offices listed below. For added convenience, select recreational licenses may be purchased by phone or through the Internet with approved Visa, Discover, or MasterCard. A $5.00 administrative fee will be charged for those sales. Call (800) TX LIC 4 U (1-800-895-4248) between 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday through Friday (closed Saturday, Sunday and most holidays), or log on to www.tpwd.texas.gov/licenses/online_sales. Many licenses may be purchased for immediate use except where tagging is required, i.e., deer and turkey.

TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS: 4200 Smith School Road, Austin 78744
TOLL-FREE INFORMATION: (Mon.–Fri., 8 a.m.–5 p.m.) (800) 792-1112 or (512) 389-4800
TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT WEBSITE: www.tpwd.texas.gov

TPWD REGIONAL AND FIELD LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICES:

Abilene, 281 North Willis (79603) (325) 673-3333
Amarillo, 203 SW 8th Ave., Suite 200 (79101) (806) 379-8900
Beaumont, 5655 Eastex Frwy., Suite A (77706) (409) 892-8666
Brownsville, 5460 Paredes Line Road, Suite 201 (78526) (956) 546-1952
Brownwood, 301 Main, Suite D (76801) (325) 646-0440
College Station, 12815 FM 2154 (Wellborn Road), Suite 160 (77845) (979) 696-4148
Corpus Christi, 5541 Bear Lane, Suite 232 (78405) (361) 289-5566
El Paso, 401 East Franklin, Suite 520 (79901) (915) 834-7050
Fort Worth, 5400 Airport Frwy, Suite E (76117) (817) 831-3128
Garland, 346 Oaks Trail, Suite 100 (75043) (972) 226-9966
Houston (north), 350 North Sam Houston Pkwy E., Suite 100 (77060) (281) 931-6471
Houston (south), 10101 Southwest Frwy, #206 (77074) (713) 779-8977
Kerrville, 309 Sidney Baker South (78028) (830) 257-7611
LaMarque, 14037 Delany Road (77568) (409) 933-1947
Laredo, 5119 Bob Bullock Loop (78041) (956) 718-1087
Lubbock, 1702 Landmark Lane, Suite 1 (79415) (806) 761-4930
Lufkin, Old Texas Plaza, 4100 S. Medford Drive, Suite 204B (75901) (936) 632-1311
Midland, 4500 West Illinois, Suite 307 (79703) (432) 520-4649
Mt. Pleasant, 212 South Johnson (75455) (903) 572-7966
Rockport, 715 South Hwy. 35 (78382) (361) 790-0312
Rusk, 580 West Sixth Street (75785) (903) 683-2511
San Angelo, 3407 South Chadbourne (76903) (325) 651-4844
San Antonio, 2391 N.E. Loop 410, Suite 409 (78217) (210) 348-7375
Temple, 3615 South General Bruce Drive (76504) (254) 778-8913
Tyler, 3330 South Southwest Loop 323 (75701) (903) 534-0388
Victoria, 2805 N. Navarro, Suite 600A (77901) (361) 575-6306
Waco, 1601 East Crest Drive (76705) (254) 867-7951
Wichita Falls, 4822 Kemp Blvd., Suite 1300 (76308) (940) 723-7327

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Friend us on Facebook: **www.facebook.com/pages/Texas-Game-Wardens/362214707170256**

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(800) 792-GAME, Austin (512) 389-4848, Houston (281) 842-8100 (see pg. 53)

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GENERAL HUNTING AND FISHING REQUIREMENTS/RESTRICTIONS

CRIMINAL PENALTIES AND CIVIL VALUE RECOVERY

IF YOU VIOLATE FISH AND WILDLIFE LAWS, IN ADDITION TO CIVIL RESTITUTION YOU MAY:

- **be fined (Class C – $25-$500; Class B – $200-$2,000; Class A – $500-$4,000; State Jail Felony, $1,500-$10,000);**
- **be jailed (Class B and higher offenses);**
- **face automatic suspension or revocation of licenses for up to five years;**
- **forfeit hunting gear, including firearms, used to commit a violation.**

CIVIL RESTITUTION: In addition to the criminal penalty for hunting and fishing violations, the department will seek the civil recovery value for the loss or damage to wildlife resources. **The civil restitution cost is payable to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and is in addition to the fine assessed by the court.** Failure to pay the civil recovery value will result in the department's refusal to issue a license, tag, or permit. An individual who hunts or fishes after the refusal commits a Class A misdemeanor which is punishable by a fine not less than $500 or more than $4,000; punishment in jail not to exceed one year; or both fine and confinement.

LICENSE REINSTATEMENT: A person who seeks reinstatement of license privileges following license revocation, denial or suspension must apply for license privilege reinstatement and pay a $100 application fee. For questions concerning civil restitution call (512) 389-4630.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Texas is now a member of the Interstate Wildlife Violator Compact (IWVC). The IWVC is a multi-state compact that allows member states to share information about wildlife violators and to deny licensure to persons who have failed to comply with conservation law in member states. For example, if a person has had their hunting, fishing or trapping privileges suspended in one member state, the suspension may be recognized by any member state. For more information call (512) 389-4381.

GENERAL LAW

The following information addresses some of the more commonly asked questions about hunting and fishing requirements and restrictions. For additional information not included in this guide, contact your local game warden or phone the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) toll free at (800) 792-1112.

- **INSPECTION AUTHORITY:** A game warden who observes a person engaged in an activity governed by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code or reasonably believes that a person is or has been engaged in such an activity may inspect:
  (1) any license, permit, tag, or other document issued by the department and required by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code of a person hunting or catching wildlife resources;
  (2) any device that may be used to hunt or catch a wildlife resource;
  (3) any wildlife resource in the person's possession; and
  (4) the contents of any container or receptacle that is commonly used to store or conceal a wildlife resource.

- **PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION: while hunting, fishing or trapping, persons 17 years of age or older must carry on their person a driver's license or personal identification certificate issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety. Non-residents** must carry similar documents issued by the agency in their state or country of residence that is authorized to issue driver's licenses or personal identification certificates.

- **WASTE OF GAME:** It is an offense (Class C misdemeanor) if a person while hunting kills or wounds a game bird or game animal and intentionally or knowingly fails to make a reasonable effort to retrieve the animal or bird and include it in the person's daily or seasonal bag limit. It is an offense if a person intentionally takes or **possesses** a game bird, game animal, or a fish and intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly, or with criminal negligence, fails to keep the edible portions of the bird, animal, or fish in an edible condition. It is a Class A misdemeanor to fail to retrieve or to keep in an edible condition a whitetail or mule deer, pronghorn antelope, or desert bighorn sheep hunted without landowner consent; from a vehicle, boat, or aircraft; on a public road; at night; or with the aid of a light.

- **RETRIEVAL OF GAME:** No person may pursue a wounded wildlife resource across a property line without the consent of landowner of the property where the wildlife resource has fled. Under the trespass provisions of the Penal Code, a person on a property without the permission of the landowner is subject to arrest.

- **HARASSMENT OF HUNTERS, TRAPPERS, OR ANGLERS** (Sportsmen's Rights Act – TPWD Code, §62.0125) is punishable by a fine of $200 to $2,000 and/or 180 days in jail.

- **IT IS UNLAWFUL TO:**
  - take, attempt to take, or possess wildlife resources within a protected length limit, in greater numbers, by other means, or at any time or place, other than as indicated within this guide.
  - store, transport, or abandon an unsecured loaded firearm in a place where children can obtain unsupervised access to the firearm. A person under age 17 who has lawful access to a firearm may hunt with the firearm if the youth has successfully completed the hunter education course, or is accompanied by a licensed hunter age 17 or older who has complied with the hunter education requirement, if applicable.
  - drive a motor vehicle in the bed of a navigable freshwater stream, unless approved by a local river access plan established by a city, county, or river authority. This law does not apply to the Canadian River and Prairie Dog Town Fork of the Red River. There are other exemptions as well. The full text of this law may be found in Texas Parks and Wildlife Code, Chapter 90.
  - fish on privately owned waters, fish in public water from private land, or hunt on privately owned lands without the permission of the owner or the owner's agent. Under the Texas Penal Code (§30.05) it is an offense for any person to enter property that is **fenced, posted with a sign(s), or marked (purple paint)** without the **express permission** of the owner. Posts or trees bearing **purple paint** marking of not less than eight inches in length and not less than one inch in width at not less than three or more than five feet from the ground constitute notice that the property is **posted**. A person who hunts without owner consent and kills a desert bighorn sheep, pronghorn antelope, white-tailed deer, or mule deer commits an offense that is a Parks and Wildlife Code state jail felony. Upon conviction, your hunting and fishing license is automatically revoked. You are not required to have a fishing license to fish in private waters in Texas, but if you are on private property while fishing in public water, a fishing license is required.
  - discharge a firearm on or across a public road.
- **Sale of Inedible Wildlife Parts: The following inedible wildlife parts may be purchased or sold provided the part was lawfully taken or possessed:**
  - Hair, hide, antlers, bones, horns, skull, hooves, or sinew from the following game animals: mule deer, white-tailed deer, pronghorn antelope, desert bighorn sheep, gray or cat squirrels, fox squirrels or red squirrels, and collared peccary or javelina.
  - Feathers from ducks, geese, and brant may be used, purchased, or sold for making fishing flies, pillows, mattresses, and similar commercial uses.
  - Feathers from migratory birds may not be purchased or sold for hats or ornamental purposes nor may a person purchase or sell mounted migratory game bird specimens taken by hunting.
  - Feathers, bones, or feet of game birds other than migratory game birds (turkey, grouse, pheasant, partridge, quail, and chachalaca).
- **Hunter Orange:** No hunter orange is required while hunting on private property, but it is recommended.
- There is no open season for any wild animal, wild bird, or exotic animal on public roads or the right-of-way of public roads. **EXCEPTION: See Reptile and Amphibian, pg. 26.**
- **It is unlawful to possess a deer or any part of a deer that has been hit by a motor vehicle.**

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT LICENSES, ENDORSEMENTS AND TAGS

See sections on Fishing (pg. 22) and Hunting (pg. 25) for specific licensing information.
License fees ARE NOT refundable.

All of the licenses, license packages, endorsements, and tags listed in this guide, unless otherwise noted, may be purchased at approximately 1,800 locations statewide where licenses are sold.

Many licenses may be purchased by phone or through the Internet with approved Visa, Discover, or MasterCard. Call (800) TX LIC 4 U (1-800-895-4248) between 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday through Friday (closed Saturday, Sunday and most holidays), or log on to: www.tpwd.texas.gov/licenses/online_sales

Generally, fishing and hunting licenses and endorsements are valid from the date of sale through Aug. 31, 2016. Temporary hunting and fishing licenses and packages, Year-from-Purchase fishing licenses and Lake Texoma fishing licenses have different expiration dates.

A number of "endorsements," historically called "stamps" are available for purchase with fishing packages (pg. 22) and hunting licenses (pg. 25) at the time a license is purchased. All fishing and all combination packages include one or more endorsements. Additional endorsements are available for purchase anytime during the effective date of the license/package. Actual stamps with pictures on them are no longer issued with hunting and fishing licenses; however, a book of commemorative stamps (item Type 555), which are not valid for hunting or fishing use, is available for purchase for $21.65. The book, which contains all six Texas picture stamps (three hunting, two fishing, one non-game), may be purchased online at www.tpwd.texas.gov/licenses/online_sales, by phone at 1-800-895-4248 ($5 administrative fee charged for all online and phone sales), or Austin headquarters. Stamp books purchased online or by phone will be mailed to the purchaser. Individual stamps are not sold by TPWD.

Lost/Destroyed License, Package or Endorsement: Any type of license or endorsement that has been lost or destroyed may be replaced at any license sales location by signing an Application for Replacement License affidavit. Fees vary from $3–$10 for replacement of recreational licenses or endorsements.

A **RESIDENT** is a person who has lived continuously in Texas for more than six months immediately before applying for a license. Members of the U.S. Armed Forces (and their dependents) on active duty anywhere are entitled to purchase a resident license, but the Texas Resident Active Duty Military "Super Combo" package, Texas Resident Active Duty Military All-Water Fishing Package and Texas Resident Active Duty Military Hunting Package are available to Texas residents only. The term "active duty" means full-time duty in active military service, including the National Guard and Reserves of the United States. Such term includes full-time training duty and attendance while in the active military service at a school designated as a service school by law or by the Secretary of the military department concerned. Non-residents under 17 years of age are designated as residents for hunting license purposes (**not valid for Lifetime Licenses**).

Residency is proven by any three of the following (all documents must reflect the applicant's name and a physical address in Texas). Except for a valid driver's license or a state issued identification card, documentation is not required at time of purchases or while hunting or fishing:

- a current Texas homestead property tax statement
- the most recent six months of utility bills
- the most recent six months of paycheck receipts
- the person's most recent tax return from the Internal Revenue Service
- a statement from a parole board or probation officer stating that the person has continuously resided in Texas for the six months immediately preceding the application for a license or permit
- a valid Texas driver's license*
- a current Texas voter registration certificate*
- a current vehicle registration*

*must have been issued at least six months prior to license or permit application

A **NON-RESIDENT** is any person who does not meet the requirements listed for qualification as a Texas resident.

It is unlawful to:

- hunt or fish without a valid license, or a permit and endorsement on your person and available for inspection by a game warden, unless exempt by age, program or a reciprocal agreement with another state.
- use another person's license or tag to hunt or fish.
- let someone else hunt or fish with your license or tags.

It is unlawful to purchase or obtain more than one of the following licenses:

- Resident Hunting
- Youth Hunting
- Senior Hunting
- Disabled Veteran "Super Combo"
- Resident "Super Combo" Package
- Senior Resident "Super Combo" Package
- Texas Resident Active Duty Military "Super Combo" Package
- Resident Combination Hunting and Fishing Package
- Senior Resident Combination Hunting and Fishing Package
- Texas Resident Active Duty Military Hunting Package
- General Non-Resident Hunting
- Non-Resident Spring Turkey Hunting

Collection of Social Security Number (SSN): The collection of the SSN is mandated by federal and state law (42 U.S.C.A. 666 and Texas Family Code, Section 231.302) for the purpose of child support collection enforcement; however, state law exempts persons 13 years of age and younger from having to provide a SSN to purchase a license. TPWD cannot force persons older than 13 years of age to provide the SSN, but we cannot sell you a license. If you are buying a license for another person, the law requires that the purchaser provide the SSN of the person who will be holding the license.

HUNTING AND FISHING COMBINATION LICENSE PACKAGES

For Texas residents only:

The **"Super Combo"** includes a Resident Hunting License, a Resident Fishing License and five state endorsements (archery, freshwater fishing, saltwater fishing with a red drum tag, upland game bird, and migratory game bird) at a discount price. For residents who hunt and fish fresh water and/or salt water, the "Super Combo" package can save purchasers up to $18. **Resident "Super Combo" License Package** (Type 111): **$68**; **Senior Resident "Super Combo" License Package** (Type 117): **$32** (for age 65 and over).

The "Combo" packages include a Resident Hunting License, a Resident Fishing License and either the saltwater endorsement (with a red drum tag), freshwater endorsement, or both, depending on the specific package purchased. **Resident Combination Hunting and Freshwater Fishing: $50; Resident Combination Hunting and Saltwater Fishing: $55; Resident Combination Hunting and All-Water Fishing: $60; Senior Resident Combination Hunting and Freshwater Fishing: $16** (for age 65 and over); **Senior Resident Combination Hunting and Saltwater Fishing: $21; Senior Resident Combination Hunting and All-Water Fishing: $26.**

Residents who purchase "Combo" packages specific to either salt or freshwater fishing may upgrade to the All-Water package through the purchase of the appropriate endorsement (i.e., the endorsement not included in the initial license package purchased).

Texas Resident Active Duty Military "Super Combo" Hunting and All-Water Fishing Package (Type 510): **FREE**
Available to any **Texas resident** on active duty in the U.S. Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard, Reserves, or National or State Guard. Includes all five state endorsements (archery, freshwater fishing, migratory game bird, saltwater fishing with a red drum tag, and upland game bird). The Federal Duck Stamp is not included. **Proof of residency for this license is: military service record(s) indicating that the person's home of record is in Texas or that the person's duty station for the six months immediately prior to the time of application is in Texas.**

Texas Resident Active Military All-Water Fishing Package (Type 511): **FREE**
Available to any **Texas resident** on active duty in the U.S. Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard, Reserves, or National or State Guard. This package includes a resident fishing license and the freshwater and saltwater endorsements with a red drum tag. **Proof of residency for this license is: military service record(s) indicating that the person's home of record is in Texas or that the person's duty station for the six months immediately prior to the time of application is in Texas.**

Texas Resident Active Military Hunting Package (Type 512): **FREE**
Available to any **Texas resident** on active duty in the U.S. Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard, Reserves, or National or State Guard. This package includes a resident hunting license and three state endorsements (archery, upland game bird and migratory game bird). NOTE: the Federal Duck Stamp is NOT included. **Proof of residency for this license is: military service record(s) indicating that the person's home of record is in Texas or that the person's duty station for the six months immediately prior to the time of application is in Texas.**

Disabled Veteran "Super Combo" Hunting and All-Water Fishing Package (Type 502): **FREE**
Available to a resident or non-resident qualifying as a disabled veteran. Disabled veteran means a veteran with a service-connected disability, as defined by the Veterans Administration, consisting of the loss of the use of a foot or leg, or a disability rating of 50% or more, and who is receiving compensation from the U.S. for the disability. Official proof of disability (issued by the V.A.) must be shown when applying for this license and must state the rate of disability. Includes all five state endorsements (archery, freshwater fishing, migratory game bird, saltwater fishing with a red drum tag, and upland game bird). The Federal Duck Stamp is not included.

LIFETIME LICENSES

Lifetime Resident Combination Hunting and Fishing: $1,800; Lifetime Resident Hunting: $1,000; Lifetime Resident Fishing: $1,000. Note: A lifetime resident hunting or fishing license can be upgraded to a lifetime resident combination hunting and fishing license for $800.

Residents may buy hunting and fishing licenses valid for the lifetime of the license holder. The lifetime license exempts the holder from the red drum license tag requirement and all state endorsement requirements other than the Reptile and Amphibian Endorsement. The lifetime license **does not** exempt the holder from the Federal Duck Stamp requirement. **Not valid for commercial fur trapping.** Lifetime tags may be obtained at retailers each year at no fee. Applications for lifetime licenses may be obtained from TPWD offices, online at www.tpwd.texas.gov/ or by calling **(800) 792-1112, #4820**. **Lifetime licenses are available for purchase from TPWD Austin headquarters and Law Enforcement offices.**

FISHING LICENSES AND PACKAGES

A valid fishing license with a freshwater or saltwater endorsement is required to take fish, mussels, clams, crayfish, or other aquatic life in the public waters of Texas. A hunting license is required to take turtles and frogs.
The first Saturday in June of each year is the annual Free Fishing Day and no person is required to have a fishing license or endorsements while fishing on that day. In 2016, Free Fishing Day is June 4.
A fishing license and endorsement are not required if fishing from the bank in a state park or in waters completely enclosed by a state park. All other fishing regulations, such as length and bag limits, remain in effect.

Recreational anglers must have a Texas fishing license and saltwater endorsement to bring any fish taken in federal waters ashore in Texas or possess fish on a vessel in the tidal waters of Texas (see also Texas State Waters – Federal Water on pg. 44).

Resident Fishing Licenses:
Required of any resident (see RESIDENT, pg. 21) who fishes in the **public waters** of Texas.

You do not need a license/package if you:
- are under 17 years of age.
- were born **BEFORE** Jan. 1, 1931.
- are a mentally disabled person who is engaging in recreational fishing as part of medically approved therapy, and who is fishing under the immediate supervision of personnel approved or employed by a hospital, residence, or school for mentally disabled persons. The mentally disabled person must carry an authorization identifying the entity supplying the service. This authorization may be in the form of an I.D. card that contains the name of the sponsoring entity.

- are a mentally disabled person and you are recreational fishing under the direct supervision of a licensed angler who is a family member or who is a licensed angler that has permission from the family to take the mentally disabled person fishing. While fishing, the mentally disabled person needs a note from a doctor stating the person has been diagnosed as mentally disabled.

A resident fishing license is included in all Super Combination and Combination packages, including Resident Lifetime Fishing License, and the various resident fishing packages offered by the department. Anyone who holds one of these licenses/packages is not required to purchase a separate fishing license.

Non-Resident Fishing Licenses:
Required of all non-residents who fish in the public waters of Texas. Licenses/Packages are not required if you are a:
- non-resident under 17 years of age;
- Louisiana resident 65 years of age or older who possesses a valid Louisiana Recreational Fishing License (includes Senior Fish/Hunt License); or
- Oklahoma resident 65 years of age or older.

A variety of **fishing packages** are offered from which the public may select based on the type of fishing (freshwater, saltwater, or both) and duration of license desired.

License Year Fishing Packages include a **resident, senior resident, special resident, or non-resident** fishing license valid from the date of sale to Aug. 31, 2016 and either a freshwater endorsement, a saltwater endorsement with a red drum tag, or both endorsements valid for the same time period.

Senior Resident Fishing Packages are available to any Texas resident who is at least 65 years of age and was born on or after Jan. 1, 1931. The packages include a senior resident fishing license, and either a freshwater endorsement, a saltwater endorsement with a red drum tag, or both depending on the package selected.

Special Resident All-Water Fishing License is available to any Texas resident who is legally blind. Endorsements are not required for this license. One red drum tag shall be available at no additional charge.

One-Day All-Water Fishing License includes a **resident** or **non-resident** fishing license valid for the selected day or days purchased. Endorsements are not required for this license. Consecutive days may be bought at the time of purchase. One red drum tag (Item 598) shall be available at no additional charge with the purchase of the first one-day license only.

Year-from-Purchase All-Water Fishing Package (available only to Texas residents) includes a resident fishing license, a freshwater endorsement and a saltwater endorsement with a red drum tag, all valid from the date of purchase through the end of the purchase month of the next license year.

2015-2016 FISHING LICENSES AND FEES:

Resident:

• Freshwater Package	$30
• Saltwater Package	$35
• All-Water Package	$40
• Senior Freshwater Package	$12
• Senior Saltwater Package	$17
• Senior All-Water Package	$22
• Special Resident All-Water License (for legally blind)	$7
• Year-from-Purchase All-Water Package	$47
• One-Day All-Water License	$11

Non-Resident:

• Freshwater Package	$58
• Saltwater Package	$63
• All-Water Package	$68
• One-Day All-Water License	$16

Please note that if you own any valid freshwater fishing package, you will be able to purchase a saltwater endorsement, and conversely, if you own any valid saltwater fishing package, you will be able to purchase a freshwater endorsement.

Sport Oyster Boat License:
Required when using a sport oyster dredge or tongs to take oysters. **Resident** (Type 328): **$13** – For boats registered in Texas or having a U.S. Coast Guard document that shows the owner's address is in Texas. **Non-resident** (Type 428): **$51**

Fishing Guide License:
Required for any person who for compensation, accompanies, assists, or transports any person engaged in fishing in the waters of the state. See Texas Commercial Fishing Guide, **www.tpwd.texas.gov/fishboat/fish/commercial**

FISHING ENDORSEMENTS AND TAGS

Freshwater Fishing Endorsement (Type 256): **$5**
This endorsement is required in addition to a valid fishing license if you take or attempt to take fish in the public fresh waters of Texas. If you are not required to hold a fishing license, or if you hold a lifetime combination or lifetime fishing license, this endorsement is not required. A freshwater fishing endorsement is included in freshwater and all-water fishing packages.

Saltwater Fishing Endorsement (Type 211): **$10**
This endorsement is required in addition to a valid fishing license if you take or attempt to take fish in the public salt water of Texas. If you are not required to hold a fishing license, or if you hold a lifetime combination or lifetime fishing license, this endorsement is not required. **A red drum tag shall be issued at no additional charge with each saltwater fishing endorsement.** A saltwater fishing endorsement is included in saltwater and all-water fishing packages.

Red Drum Tag:
This tag is required for an individual to take one red drum per license year over the maximum length limit of 28 inches, and is included free with the purchase of a saltwater fishing endorsement or any package that includes the saltwater fishing endorsement. See tagging information, pg. 45.
Persons who want to obtain a red drum tag and are EXEMPT from fishing license requirements may purchase an Exempt Angler Red Drum Tag for $3.

Bonus Red Drum Tag (Type 599): **$3**
This tag is required for an individual to take an additional red drum per license year over the maximum length limit of 28 inches. Bonus tag can be purchased at any license sales location upon presenting a valid fishing license or other valid personal identification. Only one bonus tag allowed per person per year.

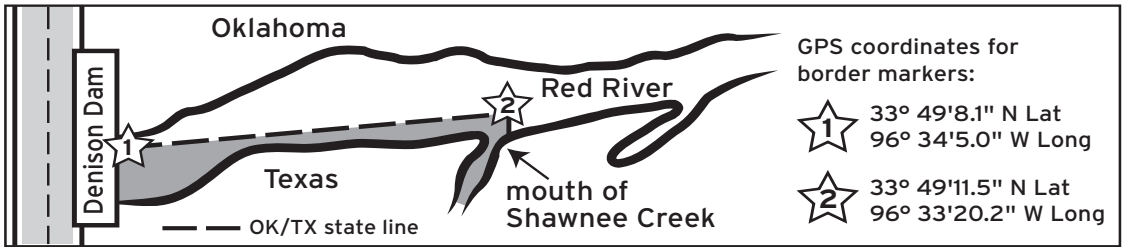
Saltwater Trotline Tag (Type 307): **$5**
Required for each 300 feet, or fraction thereof, on all non-commercial trotlines and sail lines placed in the coastal waters of Texas. Available at TPWD Coastal Law Enforcement offices.

Individual Bait-shrimp Trawl Tag (Type 334): **$37**
Required for trawls used to take shrimp for any purpose under a recreational license. Available at TPWD Coastal Law Enforcement offices.

LICENSE REQUIREMENTS FOR BORDER WATERS

ALL fish landed in Texas must comply with Texas bag and length limits. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Texas-Oklahoma and Texas-Arkansas:
- In Oklahoma or Arkansas waters of the Red River, the requirements of those states apply, including fishing regulations.
- A person must have a valid Texas fishing license to fish from the Texas bank from Denison Dam to Shawnee Creek (see illustration). An Oklahoma fishing license is required to wade-fish or fish from a boat in these waters.
- An Oklahoma resident 65 years of age or older is exempt from fishing license requirements in Texas, including on Lake Texoma.
- A person may fish in Texas or Oklahoma waters on Lake Texoma only with the appropriate license from the respective state, unless the person possesses a Lake Texoma fishing license, which is valid anywhere on Lake Texoma.
- **Lake Texoma License** (Type 208): $12 – With this license, which is valid until December 31 following the date of issuance, a person may fish in both the Texas and Oklahoma waters of Lake Texoma without any additional Texas or Oklahoma fishing licenses. A Texas resident 65 years of age or older does not need this license to fish in the Oklahoma portion of Lake Texoma. A Lake Texoma license is valid ONLY on Lake Texoma.



Texas-Louisiana: Residents of either state, who are properly licensed in their state (or are exempt because of age), or persons who hold valid non-resident fishing licenses issued by either state may fish in any portion of the lakes and rivers forming a common boundary between Louisiana and Texas inland from a line across Sabine Pass between Texas Point and Louisiana Point. Fish landed in Texas must adhere to Texas bag and length limits; see pgs. 37-41 and 44-45.

Texas-Mexico: A fishing license issued by Mexico is required to fish in Mexican waters.

HUNTING LICENSES AND PERMITS

Note: A Hunting Endorsement may be required (see pg. 26)**.**

See pgs. 21-22 for specific information on Lifetime, Disabled Veteran, Texas resident ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY, and Combination licenses. For residents who hunt and fish fresh water and/or salt water, the **"Super Combo"** package can save purchasers up to $18.

For information about public hunting programs, permits, and opportunities, visit www.tpwd.texas.gov/huntwild/hunt/public

A hunting license is required of any person, regardless of age, who hunts any animal, bird, frog or turtle in this state (except furbearers, if the hunter possesses a trapper's license). No license is required for nuisance fur-bearing animals (see pg. 73), depredating hogs or coyotes (see below). Non-residents under 17 years of age may purchase and hunt with the Youth Hunting License (Type 169).

Exceptions: a hunting license is not required to hunt the following:

- Coyotes, if the coyotes are attacking, about to attack, or have recently attacked livestock, domestic animals, or fowl.
- Depredating feral hogs, if a landowner (resident or non-resident) or landowner's agent or lessee is taking feral hogs causing depredation on the landowner's land.
- Fur-bearing animals, if the hunter possesses a trapper's license or if the fur-bearing animals are causing depredation.

Note: All laws and regulations governing hunter education still apply.

Resident Hunting (Type 101): **$25**
Valid to hunt any legal bird or animal (terrestrial vertebrates). **Endorsement requirements apply.** Required of any resident (see RESIDENT defined, pg. 21) unless the resident possesses a valid:

- Senior Resident Hunting License;
- Youth Hunting License;
- Super Combo or Resident Combination Hunting and Fishing License Package;
- Lifetime Resident Hunting License;
- Disabled Veteran Super Combo Hunting and Fishing License Package;
- Lifetime Resident Combination Hunting and Fishing License; or
- Texas Resident Active Duty Military Super Combo Hunting and Fishing License Package.
- Texas Resident Active Duty Military Hunting Package

Senior Resident Hunting (Type 102): **$7**
Valid only for residents 65 years of age and older. Valid to hunt any legal bird or animal. Endorsement requirements apply to persons 65 and over.

Youth Hunting License (Type 169): **$7**
Valid for any person, resident or non-resident, under 17 years of age at the date of license purchase. Exempt from state hunting endorsement requirements, except for Reptile and Amphibian Endorsement (pgs. 26 and 72). State endorsement exemptions remain valid for the entire license year.

Non-resident General Hunting (Type 105): **$315**
Valid to hunt any legal bird or animal (including deer). **Endorsement requirements apply.**

Non-resident Spring Turkey (Type 118): **$126**. Available after Feb. 1.
Valid to hunt turkey only during the open spring turkey season. Holders of this license are exempt from the upland game bird endorsement requirements. (Unlawful to possess both this license and a valid Non-Resident General Hunting License.)

Non-resident Special Hunting (Type 107): **$132**
Valid to hunt: Exotic animals (see pg. 73), all legal game birds (**NOT VALID FOR TURKEY**), all nongame animals, squirrel, javelina and alligator (**not valid for other game animals, NOT VALID FOR DEER**). **Endorsement requirements apply.**

Non-resident 5-Day Special Hunting (Type 157): **$48**
Legal for any period of five consecutive days (valid hunting dates will be printed on the license when issued). **Valid to hunt:** Exotic animals (see pg. 73), all legal game birds (except turkeys), all nongame animals, squirrel, javelina and alligator (**not valid for other game animals, NOT VALID FOR DEER**). **Endorsement requirements apply.**

Non-resident Banded Bird Hunting (Type 120): **$27**
Valid only to hunt banded game birds (bobwhite quail, partridge, pheasant, mallard ducks) on private bird hunting areas. Upland and Migratory Game Bird endorsement requirements apply.

Trapper's: Resident (Type 106): **$19**; **Non-resident of any age** (Type 115): **$315**
Required for all persons to hunt, shoot, or take for sale those species classified as fur-bearing animals or their pelts. (See pg. 73 and Fur-bearing Animal Digest for more information.)

Hunting Lease License (Types 132, 133 and 134)
Required of a landowner or landowner's agent who leases hunting rights to another person on property they own or control for pay or other consideration. The license must be displayed on the property. **License fee:** $79 for 1 through 499 acres; $147 for 500 through 999 acres; or $252 for 1,000 acres or more. **NOTE: Hunting lease license record book no longer required.**

Federal Sandhill Crane Hunting Permit (Type 590): **FREE**
This permit is required to hunt sandhill cranes. The permit can be obtained in person ONLY at TPWD Law Enforcement offices (see pg. 18) and TPWD headquarters in Austin, but also is available by phone at (800) 792-1112, #4820 or (512) 389-4820, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday or online any time at tpwd.texas.gov/licenses/online_sales. For phone and online orders, a transaction receipt will be issued in lieu of a permit. A $5 administrative fee will be charged for online orders. Permittees should keep a record of hunting activities because 26% of crane hunters are chosen for a federal harvest survey.

Harvest Information Program (HIP) Certification (Type 137): **FREE**
This certification is required to hunt any migratory game bird.

Experimental Pronghorn Antelope Permit: **FREE**
This permit is required to hunt buck pronghorn antelope on certain properties. See pg. 64 for additional info.

HUNTING ENDORSEMENTS

SPECIAL NOTE: Except as noted below, no STATE endorsements are required for anyone under 17 years of age (resident or non-resident), holders of Lifetime Resident Combination, or Lifetime Resident Hunting licenses. The youth hunting license and state endorsement exemptions remain valid for the entire license year.

Archery Endorsement (Type 135): **$7**
Required to hunt deer or turkey during an Archery-Only open season. Required to hunt deer at any time in Collin, Dallas, Grayson, or Rockwall counties.

Texas Migratory Game Bird Endorsement (Type 168): **$7**
Required to hunt any migratory game bird (waterfowl, coot, rail, gallinule, snipe, dove, sandhill crane, and woodcock). A valid Federal Duck Stamp and HIP Certification are also required of waterfowl hunters 16 years of age or older. A free Federal Sandhill Crane Hunting Permit is required to hunt sandhill cranes. The permit is available only at TPWD Law Enforcement offices, online (www.tpwd.texas.gov/licenses/online_sales), or by phone: (800) 792-1112.

Upland Game Bird Endorsement (Type 167): **$7**
Required to hunt turkey, pheasant, quail, or chachalaca. Non-residents who purchase the Non-resident Spring Turkey License are exempt from this endorsement requirement. **May not be used to hunt turkey with a Non-resident Special Hunting License (Type 107) or a Non-resident 5-Day Special Hunting License** (Type 157).

Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp ("Duck Stamp"): **$25, plus fulfillment fee.**
Required for all waterfowl hunters 16 years of age or older; available at most U.S. Post offices, TPWD Law Enforcement offices, Austin headquarters, and all license retail sales locations. The stamp must be signed on its face by the person using it. A valid hunting license, HIP Certification, and a valid Texas Migratory Game Bird endorsement are also required.

Reptile and Amphibian Endorsement (Type 178): **$10**
Required for any person to capture indigenous reptiles or amphibians on the shoulder of a public road or any unpaved area of a public right of way. **Holders of lifetime licenses and persons under 17 years of age are not exempt from this endorsement.**

HUNTER EDUCATION

Every hunter (including out-of-state hunters) born on or after Sept. 2, 1971, must successfully complete a Hunter Education Training Course. Proof of certification or deferral is required to be on your person while hunting. Minimum age of certification is 9 years. Single-day in-person course cost is $15. Persons 17 years of age and older have the option of taking the course in person or online. The cost of an approved online course varies by provider.
Call (800) 792-1112 or visit www.tpwd.texas.gov/education/hunter-education for information about various course options.

If you were born on or after Sept. 2, 1971, and you are:

- under **9** years of age, **you must be accompanied.***
- age **9** through **16**, you **must successfully complete a hunter education course or be accompanied.***
- age **17** and over, you **must successfully complete a hunter education course; or purchase a "Hunter Education Deferral" and be accompanied.***

Hunter Education Deferral (cost: $10) – Allows a person 17 years of age or older who has not completed a hunter education program to defer completion for up to one year. A deferral may only be obtained once and is only valid until the end of the current license year. A person who has been convicted or has received deferred adjudication for violation of the mandatory hunter education requirement is prohibited from applying for a deferral.

***"Accompanied" means:** By a person (resident or non-resident) who is at least 17, who is licensed to hunt in Texas, who has passed hunter education or is exempt (born before Sept. 2, 1971), and you must be within normal voice control.

Note: Certification is **not** required to purchase a hunting license.

Bowhunter Education: Certification is required on the Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge, Pottsboro.

Note: Bowhunter education does **not** substitute for Hunter Education certification.

For course information, please consult the TPWD Hunter Education section at: www.**tpwd.texas.gov/education/hunter-education** or call toll-free **(800) 792-1112** (menu 6) or call **(512) 389-4999**.

TRANSFER OF WILDLIFE RESOURCES

A person may give, leave, receive, or possess any species of legally taken wildlife resource, or part of the resource, that is required to have a tag or permit attached or that is protected by a bag or possession limit if the wildlife resource is accompanied by a **Wildlife Resource Document (WRD)** (see pg. 100) from the person who killed or caught the wildlife resource. Also at: **www.tpwd.texas.gov/regulations/outdoor-annual/hunting/general-regulations/transfer-of-wildlife**

- For deer or antelope, a properly executed **WRD** shall accompany the wildlife resource or part of the resource until it reaches its **final destination** and is **quartered** (see Definitions, pg. 54, 55). For turkey, the **WRD** must remain attached until the turkey reaches its **final destination** and is finally processed (see pg. 54).
  - **NO WRD** is required to possess a wildlife resource that is required to be tagged if the wildlife resource is tagged.
- For all other wildlife resources except aquatic resources (for aquatic resources, see "Possession Limit," pg. 32), a properly executed **WRD** shall accompany the wildlife resource until it reaches the possessor's permanent residence or a cold storage/processing facility, except:
  - **NO WRD** is required if a person receiving the wildlife resource does not exceed the possession limit (exception: see Migratory Game Birds - Documentation, pg. 69).
  - A person may use the **WRD** provided in this guide (pg. 100) or a handwritten **WRD** document that includes the same required information may be used.

NOTE: No **WRD** is required when the entire carcass of a deer (including head, which may be skinned or unskinned) or antelope (including head, which must be unskinned) is given to, or transported by, another person if the tag from the hunter's license and other required permits or the pronghorn permit remains attached until the carcass reaches its final destination and is quartered.

IMPORTATION OF WILDLIFE RESOURCES

It is unlawful to import a wildlife resource into this state or possess a wildlife resource taken outside this state unless the person possessing the wildlife resource possesses a valid hunting, fishing, or other applicable license, endorsement, tag, permit, or document for the state or country in which the wildlife resource was legally taken. Such documentation must be produced upon request of a game warden.

NOTE: It is unlawful to land by boat or person any fish taken from public water within a protected length limit, or in excess of the daily bag limit or possession limit established for those fish in Texas, regardless of the state or country in which they were caught.

A person possessing a wildlife resource for importation must produce, upon request of a game warden, a valid driver's license or personal identification certificate.

A person may possess an animal or bird killed outside of Texas that is listed in Texas as threatened or endangered, provided that the person possesses proof that the animal or bird possessed was lawfully killed. Proof consists of bill-of-sale, license tag, or notarized affidavit.

NOTE: (IMPORTS FROM MEXICO) The requirements listed above are waived if an official United States Customs Officer's **Statement** is obtained from the United States Customs Office at the port of entry showing that the wildlife resource was brought in from Mexico. The Customs Officer's statement must accompany the wildlife resource to a final destination.

AN ETHICAL ANGLER…

- **Takes only what they can use, and uses what they take.**
- **Always recycles or properly disposes of monofilament line to protect the environment and aquatic or wildlife resources.**
- **Leaves no litter and doesn't pollute our waters.**
- **Records their trophy with care, and returns it to the water.**

SUMMARY OF 2015-2016 RECREATIONAL FISHING REGULATIONS

General Fishing Rules for Fresh and Salt Waters

For purposes of this guide, salt waters and coastal waters mean the same thing.

It is a violation to:

- Take, kill, or disturb sea turtles. If you land a sea turtle, immediately call (866) 887-8535 for information on how to handle the turtle.
- Take, kill, or disturb any endangered or threatened species (paddlefish, shovel-nosed sturgeon, smalltooth sawfish, and others);
- Take or kill diamondback terrapin, sawfish of any species, porpoises, dolphins (mammals), or whales;
- Place any game fish into public waters, other than the body of water where the fish was caught, without a valid permit issued by TPWD. This includes fish caught by pole and line. For permit information, please call TPWD at (800) 792-1112 (menu 4) or (512) 389-4444.
- Use any vessel to harry, herd or drive fish including, but not limited to, operating any vessel in a repeated circular course, for the purpose of or resulting in the concentration of fish for the purpose of taking or attempting to take fish.
- Uproot or dig out any rooted seagrass plant from a bay bottom or other saltwater bottom in this state by means of a propeller. Additional information regarding seagrass regulations: www.tpwd.texas.gov/seagrass

Rules on Possession and Transport of Exotic Aquatic Species

It is a violation to:

- Possess or transport any exotic aquatic plant or animal listed as harmful or potentially harmful. This includes: plants such as hydrilla, water hyacinth, and giant salvinia; fishes such as tilapia and Asian carps (grass, silver, and bighead carp); and zebra mussels.
- Possess any tilapia, grass carp, or any other fish listed as harmful or potentially harmful without immediately removing the intestines, except on those waters where a valid Triploid Grass Carp Permit is in effect. In those waters, it is illegal to possess grass carp, and any grass carp caught must be immediately returned to the water unharmed. For a list of waters with a Triploid Grass Carp Permit, see www.tpwd.texas.gov/gcpermits.
- Fail to immediately remove and lawfully dispose of any harmful or potentially harmful aquatic plant that is clinging or attached to a vessel, watercraft, trailer, motor vehicle, or other device used to transport or launch a vessel or watercraft can result in a fine of $25-$500.

Rules Requiring Draining of Water from Vessels Used on Public Fresh Waters

Persons leaving or approaching public fresh water are required to drain all water from their vessels and on-board receptacles (includes live wells, bilges, motors and any other receptacles or water-intake systems coming into contact with public waters). This rule applies at all sites where boats can be launched and includes all types and sizes of boats whether powered or not, personal watercraft, sailboats, kayaks/canoes, or any other vessel used to travel on public waters.

- Live fish, including personally caught live bait, cannot be transported from the water body where the fish were caught in or aboard a vessel in water from the water body where the fish were caught. Personally caught live bait can be used in the water body where it was caught.
- Transport and use of commercially purchased live bait in water while fishing from a vessel is allowed, provided persons in possession of the bait have a receipt that identifies the source of the bait. Any live bait purchased from a location on or adjacent to a public water body that is transported in water from that water body can only be used as bait on that same water body.
- A vessel leaving a public freshwater body may be transported on a public roadway without water being drained, provided the vessel is transported via the most direct route to another access point located on the same water body during that same day.
- Persons participating in a fishing tournament confined to one water body are allowed to transport live fish in water from that single water body to an identified off-site weigh-in location, provided all water is drained and properly disposed of before leaving that location. Participants must possess documentation provided by tournament organizers that identify them as participants in a tournament.
- Marine sanitary systems are not covered by these regulations.

Following these procedures does not exempt persons from complying with prohibitions against transporting exotic aquatic species that are visible to the unaided eye, such as adult zebra mussels, which may be attached to boats or trailers.

Fishing Restrictions for Spawning Alligator Gar

When conditions such as water temperature and flooding events would be conducive for spawning of alligator gar, the TPWD Executive Director may temporarily prohibit taking or attempting to take alligator gar in a specified area for a period not to exceed 30 days. Conditions that would be used to invoke this action include water temperatures between 68 to 82°F and occurrence of moderate flood levels as defined and reported by U.S. Geological Survey gauges (see www.srh.noaa.gov/wgrfc). Notice of this action will be posted on the TPWD website, distributed to print and broadcast media, and shared through social media. The notice will specify the area to be closed and when lawful fishing for alligator gar may resume. For current closure notices, visit **tpwd.texas.gov/gar-closure**

Fishing in Texas State Parks

A fishing license and endorsement are not required if fishing on State Park property or in waters completely enclosed by a State Park.

On man-made structures (docks, piers, jetties, etc.) within state parks, fishing is by pole-and-line only, with each person limited to two poles. All other fishing regulations, such as length and bag limits, remain in effect.

Anchoring Boats and Vessels

It is a violation to:

- Leave unattended for any period of time or anchor a barge, boat, or fishing platform in the Trinity River below Livingston Dam in an area 1,000 feet from the dam to a point 1,500 feet downstream from the dam:
  - for more than 10 hours in a 24-hour period without moving 100 feet or more during that time, or
  - for five or more consecutive days, whether or not it has been moved;
- Anchor or moor a vessel, barge, or structure for a period exceeding two consecutive days within the area in Cedar Bayou between a department sign erected where Mesquite Bay flows into Cedar Bayou and the department sign erected near the point where the pass empties into the Gulf of Mexico.

Tagging Fish – It is unlawful to release into the public waters of this state a fish with a device or substance implanted or attached that is designed, constructed, or adapted to produce an audible, visual, or electronic signal used to monitor, track, follow, or in any manner aid in the location of the released fish. It is **legal** to place an identification tag on the exterior of a fish and release this fish back into public waters. Caution is advised as use of these tags can damage fish.

Waste of Fish – It is unlawful to leave edible fish or bait fish taken from the public waters of the state to die without the intent to retain the fish for consumption or bait.

Possession of Fish taken from Public Water

- Any fish caught must be taken by legal means and methods. Fish caught and immediately released are not considered to be in your possession. Any fish not immediately released that are retained by using any type of holding device such as stringer, cooler, livewell, or bucket are considered in your possession and must adhere to established protected length and bag limits. While fishing, it is illegal to be in possession of more fish than the daily bag limit or fish that are within a protected length limit.
- In order to verify length and species, a fish caught may not have the head or tail removed and may not be filleted until an angler finally lands the catch on the mainland, a peninsula, or barrier island not including jetties or piers and does not transport the catch by boat. Broadbill swordfish, shark, and king mackerel may have the head or tail removed, but the carcass must remain intact and may not be filleted.
- Any fish taken from public water and landed by boat or person in Texas must adhere to the protected length limits and daily bag and possession limits established for those fish in Texas regardless of the state or country in which they were caught.
- The bag limit for a guided fishing party is equal to the total number of persons in the boat licensed to fish or otherwise exempt from holding a license minus each fishing guide and fishing guide deckhand multiplied by the bag limit for each species harvested.
- It is unlawful to transport live, nongame fishes taken from the Red River below Lake Texoma downstream to the Arkansas border, Big Cypress Bayou downstream of Ferrell's Bridge Dam on Lake O' the Pines (including the Texas waters of Caddo Lake), or the Sulphur River downstream of the Lake Wright Patman dam. Nongame fishes collected from the above waters may be used as live bait on these water bodies only.

Special Area Designations and Restrictions

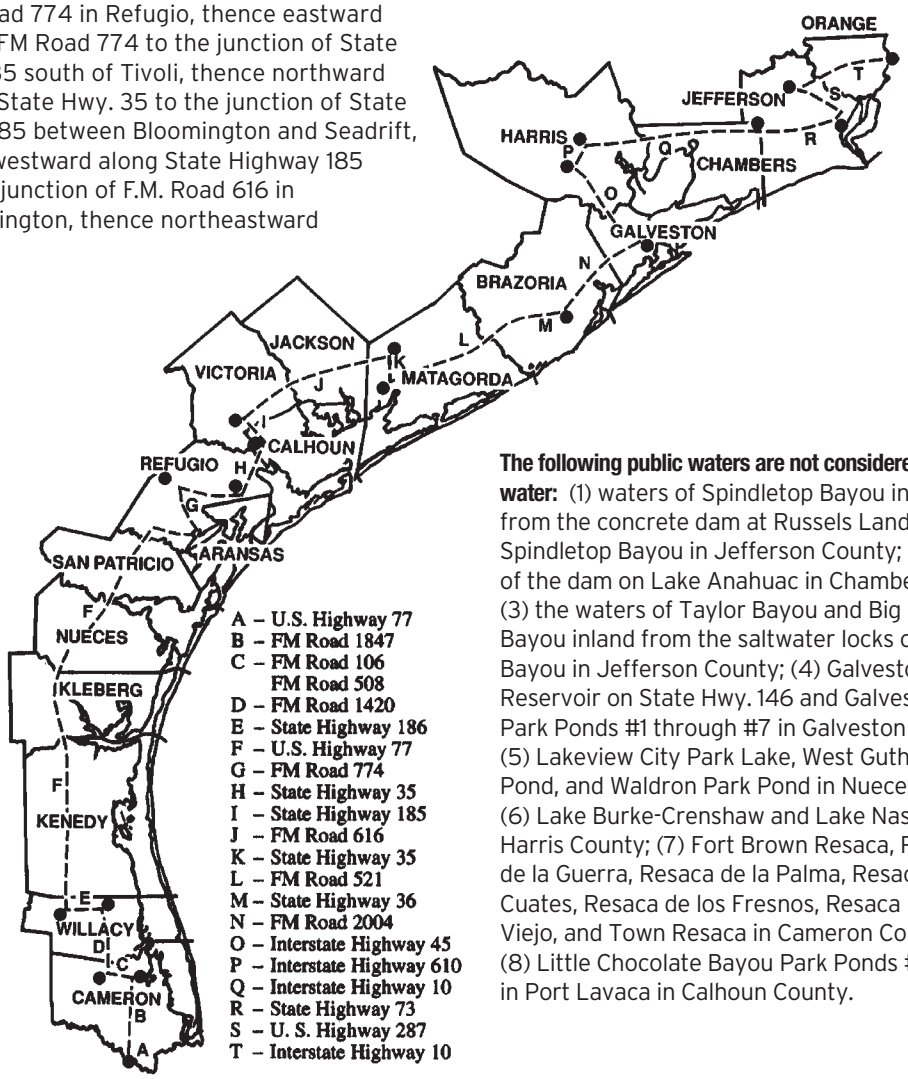
- **It is a violation to** move, remove, deface, alter, or destroy any sign, depth marker, or other informational signage placed by the department within, or to delineate boundaries of the Redfish Bay State Scientific Area.
- **Rio Grande:** Portions of the Rio Grande adjacent to the Black Gap Wildlife Management Area are designated as a "Wild and Scenic River." Special federal rules apply to fishing, boating, and other uses in these areas. For more information concerning these rules and boundaries, call the Big Bend National Park at (432) 477-2251 (menu 3, option 3).

RESERVOIR BOUNDARIES (For bag, possession and length limits):

- Buchanan Reservoir in Burnet, Lampasas, Llano, and San Saba counties comprises all impounded waters of the Colorado River from Lake Buchanan dam upstream to the U.S. Hwy. 190 bridge.
- Caddo Lake in Marion and Harrison counties comprises all impounded waters of Big Cypress Bayou from the Texas-Louisiana border upstream to the State Hwy. 43 bridge.
- Canyon Reservoir in Comal County comprises all impounded waters of the Guadalupe River from the Canyon dam upstream to the U.S. Hwy. 281 bridge.
- Lake Conroe in Montgomery and Walker counties comprises all impounded waters of the West Fork of the San Jacinto River from the Lake Conroe Dam upstream to FM Road 1791 bridge.
- Cooper Lake (Jim L. Chapman Lake) in Delta and Hopkins counties comprises all waters within the Corps of Engineers lands on Cooper Lake upstream from State Hwy. 19/154 and downstream from FM Road 71.
- Falcon International Reservoir in Starr and Zapata counties comprises all impounded waters of the Rio Grande from the Falcon Dam upstream to the Zapata/Webb county line.
- Lake Georgetown in Williamson County comprises all impounded waters of the North Fork of the San Gabriel River from the Lake Georgetown Dam upstream to U.S. Hwy. 183 bridge.
- Gibbons Creek Reservoir in Grimes County comprises all waters within the Texas Municipal Power Agency property boundaries.
- Inks Lake in Burnet and Llano counties comprises all impounded waters of the Colorado River from the Roy Inks Dam (Inks Lake Dam) upstream to the Lake Buchanan Dam.
- Lake Limestone in Leon, Limestone, and Robertson counties comprises all impounded waters of the Navasota River from the Lake Limestone dam upstream to the Fort Parker State Park Lake Dam.
- Lake Livingston in Leon, Houston, Madison, Polk, San Jacinto, Trinity, and Walker counties comprises all impounded waters of the Trinity River from the Lake Livingston Dam upstream to the lock and dam near State Hwy. 7.
- Lake Lyndon B. Johnson in Burnet and Llano counties comprises all impounded waters of the Colorado River from the Alvin Wirtz Dam (Lake Lyndon B. Johnson Dam) upstream to the Roy Inks Dam (Inks Lake Dam) including the Llano River upstream to the State Hwy. 16 bridge and Sandy Creek upstream to the State Hwy. 71 bridge.
- Lake Marble Falls in Burnet County comprises all impounded waters of the Colorado River from the Max Starcke Dam (Lake Marble Falls Dam) upstream to the Alvin Wirtz Dam (Lake Lyndon B. Johnson Dam).
- Lake Murvaul in Panola County comprises all impounded waters of Murvaul Creek Bayou upstream from the Lake Murvaul Dam and Murvaul Creek Bayou downstream from the dam to FM Road 1970 bridge.
- Lake O' The Pines in Camp, Marion, Morris, and Upshur counties comprises all impounded waters of Big Cypress Creek from the Ferrell's Bridge Dam (Lake O' The Pines Dam) upstream to U.S. Hwy. 259 bridge.
- Lake Palestine in Anderson, Cherokee, Henderson, Smith, and Van Zandt counties comprises all impounded waters of the Neches River from the Blackburn Crossing Dam (Lake Palestine Dam) upstream to FM Road 279 bridge, including Kickapoo and Flat Creeks in Henderson County.
- Lake Pat Mayse in Lamar County comprises all impounded waters of Sanders Creek from Pat Mayse Lake Dam upstream to County Road 35610.
- Purtis Creek State Park Lake in Henderson and Van Zandt counties comprises all waters within the Purtis Creek State Park boundaries.
- Lake Somerville in Burleson, Lee, Milam, and Washington counties comprises all impounded waters of Yegua, East Yegua and Middle Yegua Creeks upstream from the Lake Somerville Dam.
- Toledo Bend Reservoir in Newton, Panola, Sabine, and Shelby counties comprises all impounded waters of the Sabine River from Toledo Bend Dam upstream to the Texas – Louisiana state line in Panola County.
- Lake Travis in Burnet and Travis counties comprises all impounded waters of the Colorado River from the Mansfield Dam (Lake Travis Dam) upstream to the Max Starcke Dam (Lake Mansfield Dam), including the Pedernales River upstream to the Hammetts Crossing-Hamilton Pool Road bridge.

FRESHWATER/SALTWATER BOUNDARY

All public waters east and south of the following boundary are considered salt water:
beginning at the International Toll Bridge in Brownsville, northward along U.S. Hwy. 77 to the junction of Paredes Lines Road (FM Road 1847) in Brownsville, thence northward along FM Road 1847 to the junction of FM Road 106 east of Rio Hondo, thence westward along FM Road 106 to the junction of FM Road 508 in Rio Hondo, thence northward along FM Road 508 to the junction of FM Road 1420, thence northward along FM Road 1420 to the junction of State Hwy. 186 east of Raymondville, thence westward along State Hwy. 186 to the junction of U.S. Hwy. 77 near Raymondville, thence northward along U.S. Hwy. 77 to the junction of the Aransas River south of Woodsboro, thence eastward along the south shore of the Aransas River to the Junction of the Aransas River Road at the Bonnie View boat ramp; thence northward along the Aransas River Road to the junction of FM Road 136 to FM Road 2678 to the junction of FM Road 774 in Refugio, thence eastward along FM Road 774 to the junction of State Hwy. 35 south of Tivoli, thence northward along State Hwy. 35 to the junction of State Hwy. 185 between Bloomington and Seadrift, northwestward along State Highway 185 to the junction of F.M. Road 616 in Bloomington, thence northeastward along F.M. Road 616 to the junction of State Highway 35 east of Blessing, thence southward along State Highway 35 to the junction of F.M. Road 521 north of Palacios, thence northeastward along F.M. Road 521 to the junction of State Highway 36 south of Brazoria, thence southward along State Highway 36 to the junction of F.M. Road 2004, thence northward along F.M. Road 2004 to the junction of Interstate Highway 45 between Dickinson and La Marque, thence northwestward along Interstate Highway 45 to the junction of Interstate Highway 610 in Houston, thence east and northward along Interstate Highway 610 to thence the junction of Interstate Hwy. 10 in Houston, thence eastward along Interstate Hwy. 10 to the junction of State Hwy. 73 in Winnie, thence eastward along State Hwy. 73 to the junction of U.S. Hwy. 287 in Port Arthur, thence northwestward along U.S. Hwy. 287 to the junction of Interstate Hwy. 10 in Beaumont, thence eastward along Interstate Hwy. 10 to the Louisiana State Line.



The following public waters are not considered salt water: (1) waters of Spindletop Bayou inland from the concrete dam at Russels Landing on Spindletop Bayou in Jefferson County; (2) north of the dam on Lake Anahuac in Chambers County; (3) the waters of Taylor Bayou and Big Hill Bayou inland from the saltwater locks on Taylor Bayou in Jefferson County; (4) Galveston County Reservoir on State Hwy. 146 and Galveston State Park Ponds #1 through #7 in Galveston County; (5) Lakeview City Park Lake, West Guth Park Pond, and Waldron Park Pond in Nueces County; (6) Lake Burke-Crenshaw and Lake Nassau in Harris County; (7) Fort Brown Resaca, Resaca de la Guerra, Resaca de la Palma, Resaca de los Cuates, Resaca de los Fresnos, Resaca Rancho Viejo, and Town Resaca in Cameron County; and (8) Little Chocolate Bayou Park Ponds #1 and #2 in Port Lavaca in Calhoun County.

DEFINITIONS

Artificial Lure:
Any lure (including flies) with hook or hooks attached that is man-made and is used as a bait while fishing.

Bait:
Something used to lure any wildlife resource. It is unlawful to use game fish or any part thereof as bait.

Community Fishing Lake:
All public impoundments 75 acres or smaller located totally within an incorporated city limits or a public park, and all impoundments of any size lying totally within the boundaries of a state park. See pgs. 38-41 for a listing of specific fishing regulations for these waters. For a list of Community Fishing Lakes in your area, call (800) 792-1112 (menu 3) or check the TPWD website at: www.tpwd.texas.gov/fishboat/fish/recreational/lakes

Daily Bag:
Quantity of a species of a wildlife resource, such as fish, that may be taken in one day.

Day:
A 24-hour period of time that begins at midnight and ends at midnight.

Fishing:
Taking or attempting to take aquatic animal life by any means.

Fishing Guide:
A person who, for compensation, accompanies, assists, or transports a person or persons engaged in fishing in the water of this state.

Fishing Guide Deck Hand:
A person in the employ of a fishing guide who assists in operating a boat for compensation to accompany or to transport a person or persons engaged in fishing in the water of this state.

Game Fish (includes hybrids or subspecies of fish on this list)**:**

- Bass: Guadalupe, largemouth, smallmouth, spotted, striped, white, yellow
- Catfish: blue, channel, flathead
- Cobia
- Crappie: black, white
- Mackerel: king, Spanish
- Marlin: blue, white
- Pickerel
- Red drum
- Sailfish
- Sauger
- Seatrout, spotted
- Sharks
- Snook
- Spearfish, longbill
- Swordfish, broadbill
- Tarpon
- Tripletail
- Trout: brown, rainbow
- Wahoo
- Walleye

Gear Tag:
A tag constructed of material as durable as the device to which it is attached. The gear tag must be legible, contain the name and address of the person using the device and the date the device was set out. Date is not required for saltwater trotlines or crab traps fished under a commercial license. For juglines and freshwater trotlines, properly-marked buoys or floats qualify as valid gear tags.

Nongame Fish:
All species not listed as game fish except endangered and threatened fish which are defined and regulated under separate rules.

Possession Limit:
The maximum number of fish a person may possess before returning to their residence. Possession limit is twice the daily bag on game and nongame fish, except as provided in this guide, and does not apply to fish in the possession of or stored by a person at their residence.

Residence:
A permanent structure where a person regularly sleeps and keeps personal belongings such as furniture and clothes, but does not include a temporary abode or dwelling such as a hunting or fishing club, or any club house, cabin, tent, or trailer house or mobile home used as a hunting or fishing camp, or any hotel, motel or rooming house used on a temporary basis.

Wildlife Resources:
Any wild animal, wild bird, or aquatic life.

Legal Freshwater and Saltwater Devices and Restrictions for Fish

ONLY DEVICES AND RESTRICTIONS LISTED MAY BE USED TO TAKE OR ATTEMPT TO TAKE AQUATIC LIFE.

GAME FISH may be taken only by pole and line (which includes rod and reel), except as otherwise provided in this guide.

A person may fish with **multiple poles** or other devices, except as provided in this guide. **In fresh water, it is unlawful** to fish with more than 100 hooks on all devices combined.

In fresh water, it is unlawful to take fish with a hand operated device held underwater except that a spear or spear gun may be used to take NONGAME fish.

CAST NET: A net that can be hand-thrown over an area.
- May be used to take **NONGAME** fish and shrimp only (see shrimp regulations, pg. 46).
- May not be greater than 14 feet in diameter.
- In **SALT WATER**, nongame fish may be taken for bait purposes only.

DIP NET: A mesh bag suspended from a frame attached to a handle.
- May be used to take **NONGAME** fish only.
- May be used to aid in the landing of fish caught by other legal devices.
- In **SALT WATER**, nongame fish may be taken for bait purposes only.

GAFF: Any hand-held pole with a hook attached directly to the pole.
- May only be used to aid in the landing of fish caught by other legal devices, means, or methods.
- Fish landed with a gaff **MAY NOT** be below the minimum, above the maximum, or within a protected length limit.

GIG: Any hand-held shaft with single or multiple points, barbed or barbless.
- May be used to take **NONGAME** fish only.

HANDFISHING: Fishing by the use of **HANDS ONLY**. The use of **ANY** other fishing device while handfishing (including but not limited to gaff, pole hook, trap, spear or stick) is **UNLAWFUL**.
- No person may intentionally place a trap (including such devices as boxes, barrels or pipes) in public fresh water for the purpose of taking catfish by handfishing.
- May be used to take channel, blue, and flathead catfish in fresh water only.

JUGLINE: For use in **FRESH WATER** only. A fishing line with five or less hooks tied to a free-floating device.
- May be used to take **NONGAME** fish, channel catfish, blue catfish, and flathead catfish only.
- **Placement and Location Restrictions:** Juglines may not be used in
  - Community Fishing Lakes (see pg. 32 for definition)
  - Reservoirs or sections of rivers lying totally within the boundaries of a state park
  - Bellwood Lake in Smith County
  - Boerne City Lake in Kendall County
  - Canyon Lake Project #6 in Lubbock County
  - Dixieland Reservoir in Cameron County
  - Gibbons Creek Reservoir in Grimes County
  - Lake Bastrop in Bastrop County
  - Lake Bryan in Brazos County
  - Lakes Coffee Mill and Davy Crockett in Fannin County
  - Lake Pflugerville in Travis County
  - Lake Naconiche in Nacogdoches County
  - North Concho River from O.C. Fisher dam to the Bell Street dam
  - South Concho River from Lone Wolf dam to Bell Street dam
  - Tankersley Reservoir in Titus County
  - Wheeler Branch Reservoir in Somervell County
- **Tagging and Marking Requirements:**
  - Must be used with a valid GEAR TAG (see pg. 32) attached within 6 inches of the free-floating device; gear tag is valid for 10 days after the date set out and must include the number of the permit to sell nongame fish taken from fresh water, if applicable. Properly-marked buoys or floats qualify as valid gear tags.
  - For non-commercial purposes, a jugline must be marked with a free-floating device of any color other than orange.
  - For commercial purposes, a jugline must be marked with an orange, free-floating device.

LAWFUL ARCHERY EQUIPMENT: Includes longbow, recurved bow, compound bow, and crossbow.
- May be used to take **NONGAME** fish only.
- Any fish that is edible or can be used for bait (includes all gar species, common carp, and buffalo) may not be released back into the water after being taken with lawful archery equipment. See also "Waste of Fish" on pg. 29.
- State regulations permit bow fishing in most public waters (see Exceptions to Statewide Freshwater Harvest Regulations, pgs. 37-41, and Restricted Areas in Counties, pg. 74). Additionally, bow fishers are advised to check with local authorities that may have ordinances restricting use of archery equipment.
- A person bow fishing on a navigable stream in Dimmit, Edwards, Frio, Kenedy, Llano, Maverick, Real, Uvalde, or Zavala counties may not possess an arrow equipped with fletching of any kind, an unbarbed arrow, or a bow that is not equipped with a reel and line.

MINNOW TRAP:
- May be used to take **NONGAME** fish only.
- Trap may not exceed 24 inches in length. The throat may not exceed 1 inch by 3 inches.
- GEAR TAG (see pg. 32) valid for only 10 days must be visibly attached.

PERCH TRAPS: For use in **SALT WATER** only.
- May be used to take **NONGAME** fish only.
- May not exceed 18 cubic feet.
- Must be marked with a floating visible orange buoy not less than 6 inches in height and 6 inches in width. The buoy must have a GEAR TAG (see pg. 32) valid only for 10 days attached.
- Must be equipped with a degradable panel as described for crab traps (see pg. 50).
- Buoys or floats may not be made of plastic bottle(s) of any color or size.
- It is unlawful to place any type of trap within the area in Cedar Bayou between a department sign erected where Mesquite Bay flows into Cedar Bayou and the department sign erected near the point where the pass empties into the Gulf of Mexico.

POLE AND LINE (which includes rod and reel): A line with hook, attached to a pole.
- May be used to take **GAME AND NONGAME** fish.
- It is unlawful to take or attempt to take fish with one or more hooks attached to a line or artificial lure used in a manner to foul-hook a fish (snagging or jerking). A fish is foul-hooked when caught by a hook in an area other than the fish's mouth.
- Game and nongame fish may be taken by pole and line, except that in the Guadalupe River in Comal County starting 800 yards downstream from the Canyon Dam release and extending downstream to the second bridge crossing on River Road, rainbow and brown trout may not be retained when taken by any method except artificial lures. In this area only, artificial lures cannot contain or have attached either whole or portions, living or dead, of organisms such as fish, crayfish, insects (grubs, larvae or adults) or worms, any other animal or vegetable material, or synthetic scented materials. This does not prohibit the use of artificial lures that contain components of hair or feathers. It is an offense to possess rainbow and brown trout while fishing with any other device in that part of the Guadalupe River defined in this paragraph.
- Pole and line is the only lawful method for taking game fish and nongame fish from Community Fishing Lakes (see definition, pg. 32); includes impoundments lying totally within the boundaries of a state park), sections of rivers lying totally within boundaries of a state park, the North Concho River from O.C. Fisher dam to the Bell Street dam, the South Concho River from Lone Wolf dam to Bell Street dam, Wheeler Branch Reservoir, Lake Pflugerville, and Canyon Lake Project #6.

SAIL LINE: For use in **SALT WATER** only. A type of trotline with one end of the main line fixed on the shore, the other end of the main line attached to a wind-powered floating device or sail.
- Nongame fish, red drum, spotted seatrout, and sharks may be taken with a sail line.
- No more than one sail line may be used per fisherman.
- The sail line must be attended at all times the line is fishing.
- Sail lines may not be used by the holder of a commercial fishing license.
- Sail lines may be used seven days a week.
- **Tag Requirements:** Must have a valid SALTWATER TROTLINE TAG for each 300 feet of mainline or fraction thereof being fished.
- **Construction and Design Restrictions:**
  - Sail line may not exceed 1,800 feet from reel to sail.
  - Sail and the most shoreward float must be bright orange or red color. All other floats must be yellow. **No float** may be more than 200 feet from the sail.
  - A weight of 1 ounce or more must be attached to the line not less than 4 feet or more than 6 feet shoreward of the most shoreward float.
  - Reflectors of not less than 2 square inches shall be attached to the sail and floats. They must be easily seen from all directions. This applies for sail lines operated from 30 minutes after sunset to 30 minutes before sunrise.
  - May have no more than 30 hooks.
  - There is no hook spacing requirement.
  - No hook may be placed more than 200 feet from the sail.
  - May be baited with either natural or artificial bait.
- **Placement and Location Restrictions:**
  Must meet placement and location requirements for saltwater trotlines (see pg. 36).

SEINE: (Includes a push net.) A section of non-metallic mesh webbing, with the top edge buoyed upwards by a floatline and the bottom edge weighted.
- May be used to take **NONGAME** fish and shrimp only.
- May not be longer than 20 feet.
- May not have mesh exceeding 1/2-inch square.
- Must be manually operated.
- In **SALT WATER**, nongame fish may be taken by seine for bait purposes only.

SHAD TRAWL: For use in **FRESH WATER** only. A bag-shaped net which is dragged along the bottom or through the water to catch aquatic life.

- May be used to take **NONGAME** fish only.
- May not be longer than 6 feet or with a mouth larger than 36 inches in diameter.
- May be equipped with a funnel or throat and must be towed by boat or hand.

SPEAR: Any shaft with single or multiple points, barbed or barbless, which may be propelled by any means, but does not include arrows. May be used to take **NONGAME** fish only.

SPEAR GUN: Any hand operated device designed and used for propelling a spear, but does not include the crossbow. May be used to take **NONGAME** fish only, not a legal means to take fish in a community fishing lake.

THROWLINE: For use in **FRESH WATER** only. A fishing line with five or less hooks and with one end attached to a permanent fixture. Components of a throwline may also include swivels, snaps, rubber, and rigid support structures.

- May be used to take **NONGAME** fish, channel catfish, blue catfish, and flathead catfish only.
- Must be used with a valid gear tag attached. Gear tag is valid for 10 days after the date set out.
- **Placement and Location Restrictions:** Throwlines may not be used in:
  - Community Fishing Lakes (see pg. 32 for definition)
  - Reservoirs or sections of rivers lying totally within the boundaries of a state park
  - Bellwood Lake in Smith County
  - Boerne City Lake in Kendall County
  - Canyon Lake Project #6 in Lubbock County
  - Dixieland Reservoir in Cameron County
  - Gibbons Creek Reservoir in Grimes County
  - Lake Bastrop in Bastrop County
  - Lake Bryan in Brazos County
  - Lakes Coffee Mill and Davy Crockett in Fannin County
  - Lake Naconiche in Nacogdoches County
  - Lake Pflugerville in Travis County
  - North Concho River from O.C. Fisher dam to the Bell Street dam
  - South Concho River from Lone Wolf dam to Bell Street dam
  - Tankersley Reservoir in Titus County
  - Wheeler Branch Reservoir in Somervell County

TRAWL (INDIVIDUAL BAIT-SHRIMP TRAWL): For use in **SALT WATER** only. A bag-shaped net which is dragged along the bottom or through the water to catch aquatic life. Restricted to hand-operated trawls only; use of mechanical devices is UNLAWFUL.

- See pg. 46 under Shrimp Regulations for trawl design restrictions.
- Nongame fish (EXCEPT those species regulated by bag or size limits) taken incidental to legal shrimping operations may be retained.
- "Legal shrimping operations" means the use of a legal trawl in places, at times, and in manners as authorized by TPWD **(see section on Shrimp for details)**.
- 200 nongame fish taken with an individual bait-shrimp trawl may be retained per person for **BAIT PURPOSES ONLY**.

TROTLINE: A non-metallic main fishing line with more than five hooks attached and with each end attached to a fixture.

- Nongame fish, channel catfish, blue catfish, and flathead catfish may be taken by trotline.
- Red drum, spotted seatrout, and sharks caught on a trotline may not be retained or possessed.
- **General Construction and Design Restrictions:** Trotlines may not be used with:
  - a mainline length exceeding 600 feet;
  - hooks spaced less than 3 horizontal feet apart;
  - metallic stakes;
  - or the main fishing line and attached hooks and stagings placed above the water's surface.

TROTLINES IN FRESH WATER

- **Tag Requirements:** Must be used with a valid GEAR TAG (see pg. 32). Properly-marked buoys or floats qualify as valid gear tags. Gear tags must be attached within 3 feet of the first hook at each end of the trotline and are valid for 10 days after the date set out.
- **Construction and Design Restrictions:** May not have more than 50 hooks on any one trotline.
- **Placement and Location Restrictions:** Trotlines may not be used in:
  - Community Fishing Lakes (see pg. 32 for definition)
  - Reservoirs or sections of rivers lying totally within the boundaries of a state park
  - Bellwood Lake in Smith County
  - Boerne City Lake in Kendall County
  - Canyon Lake Project #6 in Lubbock County
  - Dixieland Reservoir in Cameron County

- Fayette County Reservoir in Fayette County
- Gibbons Creek Reservoir in Grimes County
- Lake Bastrop in Bastrop County
- Lake Bryan in Brazos County
- Lakes Coffee Mill and Davy Crockett in Fannin County
- Lake Naconiche in Nacogdoches County
- Lake Pflugerville in Travis County
- North Concho River from O.C. Fisher dam to the Bell Street dam
- Pinkston Reservoir in Shelby County
- South Concho River from Lone Wolf dam to Bell Street dam
- Tankersley Reservoir in Titus County
- Wheeler Branch Reservoir in Somervell County

TROTLINES IN SALT WATER - No more than one trotline may be used per fisherman.

- **Tag Requirements:**
  - Must have a valid SALTWATER TROTLINE TAG attached to each 300 feet of mainline or fraction thereof. (Must be purchased at TPWD Law Enforcement offices, see pg. 18.)
  - Must be used with a valid GEAR TAG (see pg. 32) attached within 3 feet of the first hook at each end of the trotline. Tag does not need to be dated.
- **Construction and Design Restrictions:**
  - Must be marked with a yellow floating buoy not less than 6 inches in height, 6 inches in length, and 6 inches in width, bearing a two-inch wide stripe of contrasting color, attached to end fixtures.
  - Buoys or floats may not be made of plastic bottle(s) of any color or size.
  - May not be baited with other than natural bait. Natural bait is a whole or cut-up portion of a fish or shellfish or a whole or cut-up portion of plant material in its natural state, provided that none of these may be altered beyond cutting into portions.
  - May not be used with hooks other than circle-type hook with point curved in and having a gap (distance from point to shank) of no more than one-half inch, and with the diameter of the circle not less than five-eighths inch (comparable to Mustad 11/0 circle hook Model #39960ST).
- **Placement and Location Restrictions:**
  - May not be used in or on the waters of the Gulf of Mexico within the jurisdiction of this state.
  - May not be placed closer than 50 feet from any other trotline, or set within 200 feet of the edge of the Intracoastal Waterway or its tributary channels.
  - May not be used in Aransas County in Little Bay and the water area of Aransas Bay within one-half mile of a line from Hail Point on the Lamar Peninsula, then direct to the eastern end of Goose Island, then along the southern shore of Goose Island, then along the causeway between Lamar Peninsula and Live Oak Peninsula, then along the eastern shoreline of the Live Oak Peninsula past the town of Fulton, past Nine-Mile Point, past the town of Rockport to a point at the east end of Talley Island, including that part of Copano Bay within 1,000 feet of the causeway between Lamar Peninsula and Live Oak Peninsula.
  - No trotline or trotline components (EXCEPT Sail Lines), including lines and hooks, but excluding poles, may be left in or on coastal waters between the hours of 1 p.m. on Friday through 1 p.m. on Sunday of each week, except that attended sail lines are excluded from the restrictions imposed by this clause. In the event small craft advisories or higher marine weather advisories issued by the National Weather Service are in place at 8 a.m. on Friday, trotlines may remain in the water until 6 p.m. on Friday. If small craft advisories are in place at 1 p.m. on Friday, trotlines may remain in the water until Saturday. When small craft advisories are lifted by 8 a.m. on Saturday, trotlines must be removed by 6 p.m. on Saturday. When small craft advisories or higher marine weather advisories are still in place at 1 p.m. on Saturday, trotlines may remain in the water through 1 p.m. on Sunday. It is a violation to tend, bait, or harvest fish or any other aquatic life from trotlines during the period that trotline removal requirements are suspended under this provision for adverse weather conditions. For purposes of enforcement, the geographic area customarily covered by marine weather advisories will be delineated by department policy.

UMBRELLA NET: A non-metallic mesh net that is suspended horizontally in the water by multiple lines attached to a rigid frame.

- May be used to take crabs and **NONGAME** fish only.
- May not have within the frame an area that exceeds 16 square feet.

Freshwater Fishing Harvest Regulations

- Statewide regulations apply for all public fresh waters except for those locations noted in the Exceptions to Statewide Freshwater Harvest Regulations on pgs. 37-41.
- A person taking or attempting to take game and nongame fish from fresh water for non-commercial purposes is required to have a valid fishing license and a freshwater fishing endorsement.
- The only exceptions to the statewide possession limits, which are twice the daily bag limits, are for striped bass from Lake Texoma and alligator gar from Falcon International Reservoir (see pg. 38-39). Please note that on Caddo Reservoir, Kirby Reservoir, Lake Livingston, Palestine Reservoir, the Sabine River below Toledo Bend Reservoir and Toledo Bend Reservoir where some daily bag limits are larger than the statewide daily bag, the possession limits remain twice the statewide daily bag limits listed on pg. 37.
- For saltwater finfish species caught in the public fresh waters of this state, statewide bag, possession, and length limits as listed on pgs. 44-45 apply.
- Some reservoirs have special regulations for red drum. See Exceptions to Statewide Freshwater Harvest Regulations.

Statewide Bag and Length Limits (see below and pgs. 38-41 for exceptions)

Daily bag and possession limit defined on pg. 32.

Species	Daily Bag	Length in Inches (Minimum)
Bass:	5 (in any combination)	
largemouth and smallmouth		14
spotted and Guadalupe		No limit
Bass, striped and hybrid striped bass (also known as palmetto or sunshine bass)	5 (in any combination)	18
Bass, white	25	10
Bass, yellow	No limit	No limit
Catfish: channel and blue catfish, their hybrids and subspecies	25 (in any combination)	12
Catfish, flathead	5	18
Crappie: white and black crappie, their hybrids and subspecies	25 (in any combination)	10
Paddlefish	No harvest allowed	
Gar, alligator[a,b]	1	No limit
Saugeye	3	18
Sunfish: various species including bluegill, redear, green, warmouth and longear	No limit	No limit
Trout: rainbow and brown trout, their hybrids and subspecies	5 (in any combination)	No limit
Walleye	5 (only two can be less than 16 inches in length)	No limit

For fishes not listed above, there are **NO** statewide bag or length limits. There are special requirements associated with the harvest of harmful or potentially harmful exotic fishes (tilapia, grass carp); see pg. 28.

[a]See alligator gar fishing restrictions on pg. 29. [b]See notes on "Lawful Archery Equipment" on pg. 33.

Exceptions to Statewide Freshwater Harvest Regulations

Bait Fish Exceptions

In Brewster, Crane, Crockett, Culberson, Ector, El Paso, Jeff Davis, Hudspeth, Kinney, Loving, Pecos, Presidio, Reeves, Terrell, Upton, Val Verde, Ward, and Winkler counties, the only fishes that may be used or possessed for bait while fishing are common carp, fathead minnows, gizzard and threadfin shad, golden shiners, goldfish, Mexican tetra, Rio Grande cichlid, silversides (Atherinidae family) and sunfish (Lepomis).

How to use the table (pgs. 38-41): First, look for your location of interest (lake or river) under **Location**. The locations are listed in alphabetical order. If you find the location you are looking for, first check the counties listed to the right of the locations to make sure you have the correct location. If those match, continue reading to the right and note the codes for regulation exceptions. Exception codes are listed starting on pg. 40.

For instance, Lake Bastrop is located in Bastrop County. The codes for regulations that are exceptions to statewide regulations are **Bass9** and **Gear3**. Locate these codes listed on pgs. 40-41. Then read the description for each regulation exception. Please note MLL = Minimum Length Limit.

If you do not find the location you are looking for, that means **statewide regulations apply**. Please see above for Statewide Bag and Length Limits. If the lake is less than 75 acres and within a public park, it is most likely a **Community Fishing Lake**. See the Community Fishing Lakes listing for regulation exceptions and also see the definition on pg. 32.

Exceptions to Statewide Freshwater Harvest Regulations (see "How to use the table" on pg. 37.)

Location	County(ies)	Exceptions		
Alan Henry	Garza	Bass14		
Athens	Henderson	Bass9		
Bastrop	Bastrop	Bass9	Gear3	
Bellwood	Smith	Bass7	Ctfsh1	Gear3
Boerne City Lake	Kendall	Gear3		
Braunig	Bexar	RDrm1		
Bridgeport	Jack / Wise	Bass8		
Bright	Williamson	Bass7	Ctfsh2	Gear2
Brushy Creek Lake	Williamson	Bass7	Ctfsh2	Gear2
Bryan	Brazos	Bass7	Gear3	
Buck	Kimble	Bass4	Ctfsh2	Gear1
Buescher State Park Lake	Bastrop	Bass9	Ctfsh2	Gear1
Burke-Crenshaw	Harris	Bass8	Ctfsh2	Gear2
Caddo*	Harrison / Marion	Bass16 Ctfsh9	Crpie1 S&W5	Ctfsh10
Calaveras	Bexar	RDrm1		
Canyon Lake Project #6	Lubbock	Ctfsh2	Gear2	
Casa Blanca	Webb	Bass7		
Cleburne State Park Lake	Johnson	Bass7	Ctfsh2	Gear1
Coffee Mill	Fannin	Gear3		
Coleto Creek Reservoir	Goliad / Victoria	RDrm1		
Community Fishing Lakes (except Reservoirs totally within State Parks; see State Park Lakes, pg. 39)	Various - See pg. 32 for definition	Ctfsh2	Gear2	
Concho River (North Concho River from O.C. Fisher dam to the Bell Street dam and South Concho River from Lone Wolf dam to Bell Street dam)	Tom Green	Ctfsh2	Gear2	
Conroe*	Montgomery / Walker	Bass6		
Cooper (Jim L. Chapman)*	Delta / Hopkins	Bass7		
Davy Crockett	Fannin	Bass8	Gear3	
Devils River	Val Verde - State Hwy. 163 bridge downstream to Dolan Falls	Bass12		
Dixieland	Cameron	Ctfsh1	Gear3	
Elm	Fort Bend	Ctfsh2	Gear1	
Fairfield	Freestone	Bass7	RDrm1	
Falcon	Starr/Zapata	Gar2		
Fayette County	Fayette	Bass10	Gear4	
Fork	Hopkins / Rains / Wood	Bass11	Crpie2	
Fort Parker State Park Lake	Limestone	Ctfsh2	Gear1	
Georgetown*	Williamson	Bass8		
Gibbons Creek Reservoir*	Grimes	Bass10	Gear3	
Gilmer	Upshur	Bass7		
Granbury	Hood	Bass6		
Grapevine	Denton / Tarrant	Bass8		
Guadalupe River#	Comal	Trout1	Trout2	
Houston County	Houston	Bass9		
Jacksonville	Cherokee	Bass15		
Joe Pool	Dallas / Ellis / Tarrant	Bass9		
Kirby	Taylor	Ctfsh8		
Kurth	Lufkin	Bass1		
Kyle	Hays	C&R1	Gear2	

*See Reservoir Boundaries on pg. 30. # See "Pole and Line" on pg. 34 for additional restrictions on use of artificial lures.

Location	County(ies)	Exceptions		
Lady Bird (Town)	Travis	Bass9	Carp1	
Lake O' The Pines*	Marion / Morris / Upshur	Crpie2		
Lewisville	Denton	Ctfsh7		
Livingston*	Houston / Leon / Madison / Polk / San Jacinto / Trinity / Walker	Ctfsh3		
Lost Maples State Natural Area	Bandera	Bass3	Ctfsh2	Gear1
Madisonville	Madison	Bass8		
Marine Creek	Tarrant	Bass7		
Meredith	Hutchinson / Moore / Potter	Bass13		
Meridian State Park Lake	Bosque	Bass7	Ctfsh2	Gear1
Mill Creek Lake	Van Zandt	Bass9		
Mineral Wells	Parker	Ctfsh2	Gear1	
Monticello	Titus	Bass10		
Murvaul*	Panola	Bass9		
Naconiche	Nacogdoches	Bass7	Gear3	
Nacogdoches	Nacogdoches	Bass1		
Nasworthy	Tom Green	Bass8		
Nelson Park Lake	Taylor	Bass4	Ctfsh2	Gear2
O.H. Ivie	Coleman / Concho / Runnels	Bass15		
Old Mt. Pleasant City	Titus	Bass7	Ctfsh2	Gear2
Palestine	Anderson / Cherokee / Henderson / Smith	Ctfsh8		
Pflugerville	Travis	Bass7	Gear1	
Pilant	Fort Bend	Ctfsh2	Gear1	
Pinkston	Shelby	Bass9	Gear4	
Possum Kingdom	Palo Pinto / Stephens / Young	Bass6		
Purtis Creek SP Lake*	Henderson / Van Zandt	Bass5	Ctfsh2	Gear1
Raven	Walker	Bass5	Ctfsh2	Gear1
Ratcliff	Houston	Bass6	Ctfsh2	Gear1
Red River below Lake Texoma	Grayson	S&W3	Ctfsh4	
Richland Chambers	Freestone / Navarro	Ctfsh7		
Sections of Rivers within State Parks	Various	Gear1		
Rusk State Park Lake	Cherokee	Bass7	Ctfsh2	Gear1
Sabine River (from Toledo Bend Dam to I-10 Bridge)	Newton / Orange	Bass2 Ctfsh10	Crpie1 S&W2	Ctfsh9 S&W5
San Augustine City	San Augustine	Bass8		
Sheldon	Harris	Ctfsh2	Gear1	
State Park Lakes (includes reservoirs totally within State Parks)	Various	Ctfsh2	Gear1	
Sweetwater	Nolan	Bass8		
Tankersley	Titus	Ctfsh1	Gear3	
Texoma	Cooke / Grayson	S&W1 Crpie3	S&W5 Wall1	Ctfsh5 Gar1
Timpson	Shelby	Bass9		
Toledo Bend*	Newton / Panola / Sabine / Shelby	Bass2 Ctfsh9	Crpie1 S&W2	Ctfsh10 S&W5
Trinity River	Polk / San Jacinto	S&W4	Ctfsh6	Shad1
Waco	McLennan	Ctfsh7		
Walter E. Long	Travis	Bass9		
Welsh	Titus	Bass7		
Wheeler Branch	Somervell	Bass9	Bass12	Gear1

*See Reservoir Boundaries on pg. 30.

REGULATION EXCEPTION CODES AND DESCRIPTIONS:

BASS (LARGEMOUTH, SMALLMOUTH, SPOTTED AND GUADALUPE BASS):

Bass1 - For largemouth bass, only bass 16 inches in length or less may be retained. Daily bag = 5 bass. Bass 24 inches or greater in length may be temporarily retained in a live well or other aerated holding device and immediately weighed using personal scales. Bass weighing 13 pounds or more may be donated to the ShareLunker Program; otherwise, the fish must be immediately released in the lake where caught. Anglers wishing to donate their bass must immediately cease fishing and contact TPWD at (903) 681-0550. Anglers may not remove the bass from the immediate vicinity of the reservoir unless instructed to do so by TPWD staff. Bass not accepted by TPWD must be immediately released.

Bass2 - Daily bag for all four species of bass = 8 bass in any combination. Possession limit = 10. For largemouth bass, MLL = 14 inches.

Bass3 - Catch and release only for largemouth, smallmouth, spotted, and Guadalupe bass.

Bass4 - Catch and release only for largemouth bass.

Bass5 - Catch and release only for largemouth bass, except that any bass 24 inches or greater in length may be temporarily retained in a live well or other aerated holding device and immediately weighed using personal scales. Bass weighing 13 pounds or more may be donated to the ShareLunker Program; otherwise, the fish must be immediately released in the lake where caught. Anglers wishing to donate their bass must immediately cease fishing and contact TPWD at (903) 681-0550. Anglers may not remove the bass from the immediate vicinity of the reservoir unless instructed to do so by TPWD staff. Bass not accepted by TPWD must be immediately released.

Bass6 - For largemouth bass, MLL = 16 inches, and daily bag for all four species of bass = 5 bass in any combination.

Bass7 - For largemouth bass; MLL = 18 inches, and daily bag for all four species of bass = 5 bass in any combination.

Bass8 - For largemouth bass, length limit is a 14–18 slot. Bass 14 inches and less or 18 inches or greater in length may be retained, and daily bag for all four species of bass = 5 bass in any combination.

Bass9 - For largemouth bass, length limit is a 14–21 slot. Bass 14 inches and less or 21 inches or greater in length may be retained. Only one bass 21 inches or greater may be retained each day.

Bass10 - For largemouth bass, length limit is a 14–24 slot. Bass 14 inches and less or 24 inches or greater in length may be retained. Only one bass 24 inches or greater may be retained each day.

Bass11 - For largemouth bass, length limit is a 16–24 slot. Bass 16 inches and less or 24 inches or greater in length may be retained. Only one bass 24 inches or greater may be retained each day.

Bass12 - For smallmouth bass, MLL = 18 in. and daily bag = 3.

Bass13 - For smallmouth bass, length limit is a 12–15 slot. Bass 12 inches and less or 15 inches or greater in length may be retained. Daily bag = 3.

Bass14 - For largemouth and spotted bass there is no MLL. Daily bag = 5 bass in any combination. Up to 5 largemouth or spotted bass may be retained; however, only 2 may be less than 18 inches.

Bass15 - For largemouth bass, no MLL, daily bag = 5. However, only two largemouth bass less than 18 inches may be retained each day.

Bass16 - For largemouth bass, length limit is a 14-18 slot. Largemouth bass 14 inches and less or 18 inches or greater in length may he retained, and daily bag for all bass species = 8 bass in any combination of which no more than four may be largemouth bass 18 inches or greater. Possession limit = 10

BASS (STRIPED, WHITE, AND HYBRID STRIPED BASS):

S&W1 - For striped bass and hybrid striped bass, no MLL, daily bag = 10 and possession limit = 20, and only two striped or hybrid striped bass, 20 inches or greater, may be retained each day. Culling of striped bass and hybrid striped bass is prohibited.

S&W2 - For striped bass, no MLL, daily bag = 5, and only two striped bass, 30 inches or greater, may be retained each day.

S&W3 - For striped bass and hybrid striped bass, no MLL and daily bag = 5. Culling of striped bass is prohibited.

S&W4 - For the Trinity River from the Lake Livingston dam downstream to the FM Road 3278 bridge, striped bass MLL = 18 inches and daily bag = 2.

S&W5 - For white bass, no MLL and daily bag = 25.

COMMON CARP:

Carp1 - For common carp, only one carp 33 inches or greater may be retained each day. There is no daily bag limit for carp less than 33 inches in length.

CATCH & RELEASE:

C&R1 - No harvest of largemouth bass, channel catfish, or any sunfish species is allowed.

CATFISH (BLUE, CHANNEL, AND FLATHEAD CATFISH):

Ctfsh1 - For channel and blue catfish, MLL = 12 and daily bag = 5 in any combination

Ctfsh2 - For channel and blue catfish, no MLL and daily bag = 5 in any combination.

Ctfsh3 - For channel and blue catfish, daily bag and possession limit = 50 in any combination. NOTE: Applies only to the portion of Lake Livingston in Polk, San Jacinto, Trinity, and Walker counties.

Ctfsh4 - For flathead catfish, MLL = 20 in. and daily bag = 5.

Ctfsh5 - For blue and channel catfish, MLL = 12 and daily bag = 15. Only one blue catfish 30 inches or greater may be retained each day. For flathead catfish, MLL = 20 in. and daily bag = 5.

Ctfsh6 - For the Trinity River from the Lake Livingston dam downstream to the FM Road 3278 bridge, blue and channel catfish MLL = 12 and daily bag = 10, of which only 2 fish can be 24 inches or larger.

Ctfsh7 - For blue catfish, length limit is a 30- to 45-inch slot. Blue catfish 30 inches and less or 45 inches or greater in length may be retained. Only one blue catfish 45 inches or greater may be retained each day. Daily bag = 25 blue and channel catfish in any combination.

Ctfsh8 - For blue and channel catfish, no MLL and daily bag and possession limit = 50 in any combination of which no more than five blue or channel catfish 20 inches or greater may be retained.

Ctfsh9 - For flathead catfish, daily bag = 10 and possession limit = 10.

Ctfsh10 - For blue and channel catfish, no MLL, and daily bag and possession limit = 50 in any combination of which no more than five blue or channel catfish 30 inches or greater may be retained.

CRAPPIE (BLACK AND WHITE):

Crpie1 - For black and white crappie, there is no MLL and daily bag = 25 in any combination.

Crpie2 - For black and white crappie caught from DEC. 1 through the last day of FEB., there is no MLL, daily bag = 25 in any combination, and all crappie caught must be retained.

Crpie3 – For black and white crappie, MLL = 10 inches and daily bag = 37 in any combination. Possession limit = 50

GAR (ALLIGATOR):

Gar1 - During May, no person shall fish for, take, or seek to take alligator gar in that portion of Lake Texoma encompassed within the boundaries of the Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge or that portion of Lake Texoma from the U.S. 377 bridge (Willis Bridge) upstream to the I.H. 35 bridge.

Gar2 - For alligator gar, daily bag = 5. Possession limit=10

GEAR AND METHODS:

(see pg. 33 for Legal Freshwater and Saltwater Devices and Restrictions)

Gear1 - Fishing is by pole and line only.

Gear2 - Fishing is by pole and line only. Anglers may use no

more than two poles while fishing.

Gear3 - Use of juglines, throwlines and trotlines is prohibited.

Gear4 - Use of trotlines is prohibited.

RED DRUM:

RDrm1 - For red drum, MLL = 20 inches and daily bag = 3 and no maximum length limit.

SHAD (GIZZARD AND THREADFIN SHAD):

Shad1 - For the Trinity River below Lake Livingston between Polk and San Jacinto counties, the daily bag for shad = 500 and the possession limit = 1,000 fish in any combination.

TROUT (RAINBOW AND BROWN TROUT):

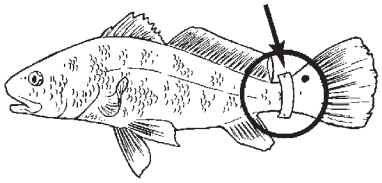
Trout1 - For rainbow and brown trout in the Guadalupe River 800 yards downstream from the Canyon Dam release and extending downstream to the easternmost Highway 306 bridge crossing, length limit is a 12-18 inch slot. Trout 12 inches and less or 18 inches or greater in length may be retained. Daily bag = 5 trout and only one trout 18 inches or greater in length may be retained. Harvest of trout is by artificial lures only. See pg. 34 under "Pole and Line" for additional restrictions on use of artificial lures.

Trout2 - For rainbow and brown trout in the Guadalupe River from the easternmost Highway 306 bridge crossing downstream to the second bridge crossing River Road, MLL is 18 inches and daily bag is one fish. Harvest of trout is by artificial lures only. See pg. 34 under "Pole and Line" for additional restrictions on use of artificial lures.

WALLEYE:

Wall1 - For walleye, MLL = 18 inches and daily bag = 5.

How to Attach Red Drum Tag



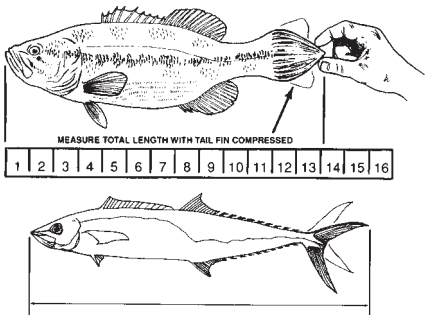
Immediately upon retaining a fish:

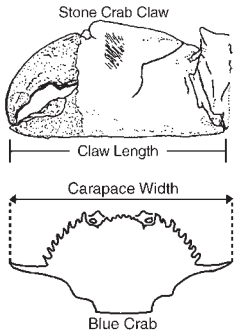
1. Remove tag from license and use entire tag.
2. Fill in ALL information spaces on front of tag.
3. Cut out day and month.
4. Attach tag with a string or wire to the narrowest part of the tail, just ahead of the tail fin (see diagram).

How to Measure Fish and Crabs

Use these guidelines to measure fish correctly:

1. Place the fish on its side with the jaw closed.
2. Squeeze the tail fin together or turn it in a way to obtain the maximum overall length.
3. Measure a straight line from the tip of the snout to the extreme tip of the tail fin.





Tips for Releasing Fish

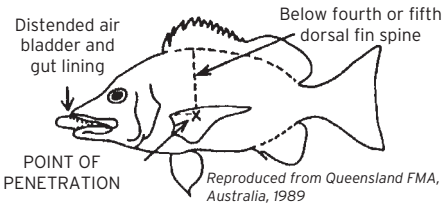
Releasing fish today means better fishing for tomorrow. Give your fish the best chance at survival by following these tips:

- Play and land fish as quickly as possible.
- Minimize the time fish is out of the water (no longer than you can hold your breath).
- Wet hands to avoid removing protective slime.
- Smaller fish (under 5 pounds) can be vertically held by the lower jaw. Never hold fish horizontally by jaw unless supporting with a second hand under the fish's body.
- Attempt to remove all hooks before release as most will not rust out.
- For details on hook removal, depressurizing overinflated air bladders, and more fish survival tips, see **www.tpwd.texas.gov/regulations/outdoor-annual/fishing/freshwater-fishing/catch-release-tips**

For saltwater fishes only

When releasing a fish that cannot right itself or is showing a distended air bladder:

- Gently insert a thin point or an approved device through the side of the fish immediately behind the upper part of the pectoral fin base. This is usually directly below the fourth or fifth spine (see diagram right).
- Revive fish by holding upright in water and facing it into the current, gently forcing water through gills.



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Identification of Yellow, White, Striped and Hybrid Striped Bass

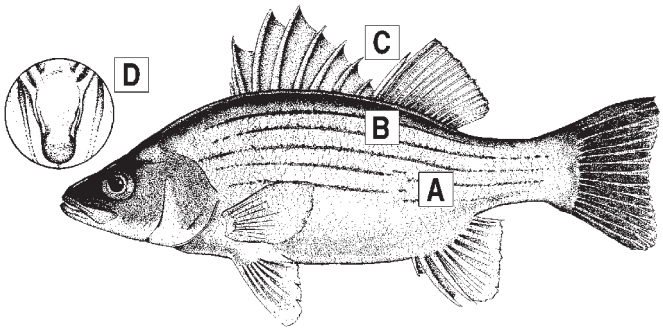
yellow bass

A Stripes distinct, broken above anal fin.

B Color – silvery yellow.

C Dorsal fins joined.

D Does not have a tooth patch near the midline towards the back of the tongue.

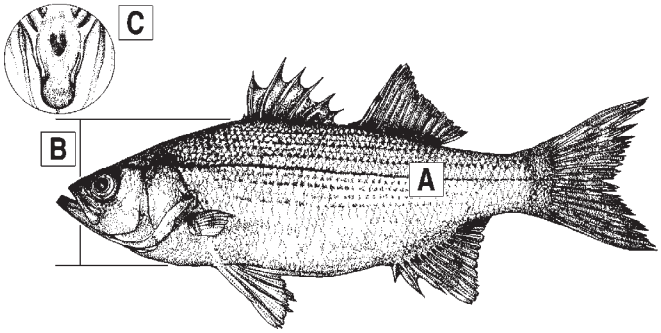


white bass

A Stripes faint, only one extends to tail.

B Body deep, more than 1/3 length.

C Has one tooth patch near the midline towards the back of the tongue.

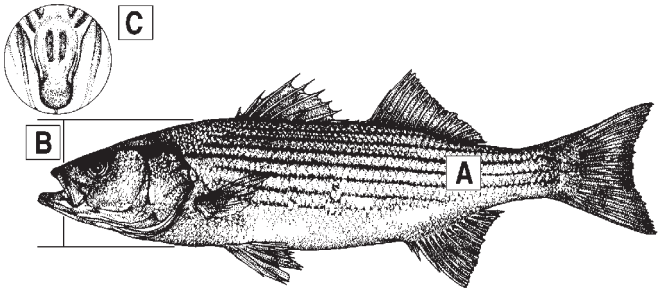


striped bass

A Stripes distinct, several extend to tail.

B Body slender, less than 1/3 length.

C Has two, distinct tooth patches near the midline towards the back of the tongue.

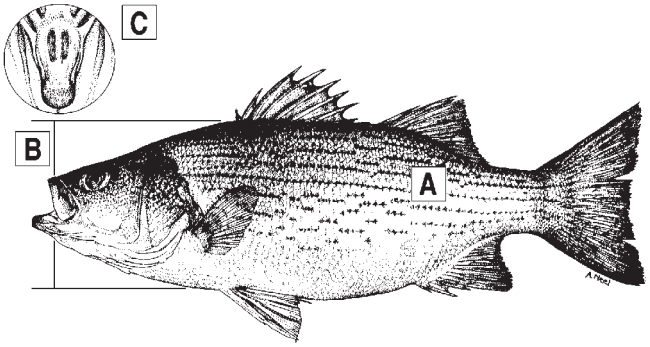


hybrid striped bass
(also known as Palmetto or Sunshine bass)

A Stripes distinct, usually broken, several extend to tail.

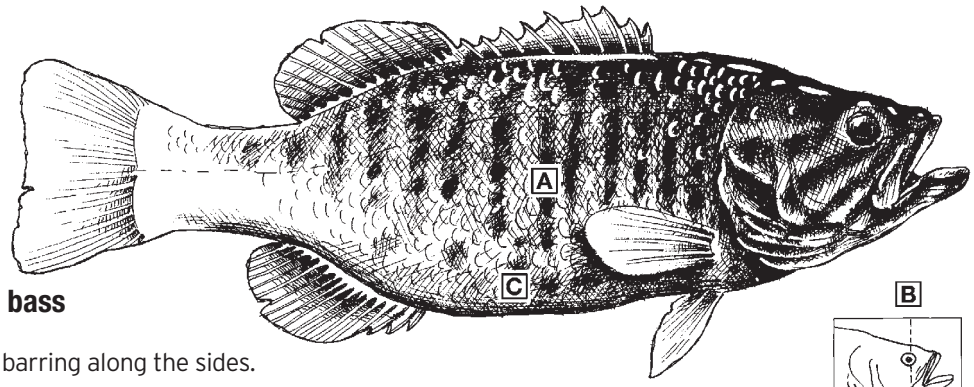
B Body deep, more than 1/3 length.

C Has two tooth patches near the midline on the back of the tongue. Tooth patches may be distinct or close together.

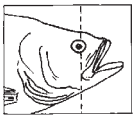


Note: For hybrid striped bass, all characteristics should be considered for identification as characteristics in individual fish may vary.

Identification of Smallmouth, Guadalupe & Spotted and Largemouth Bass



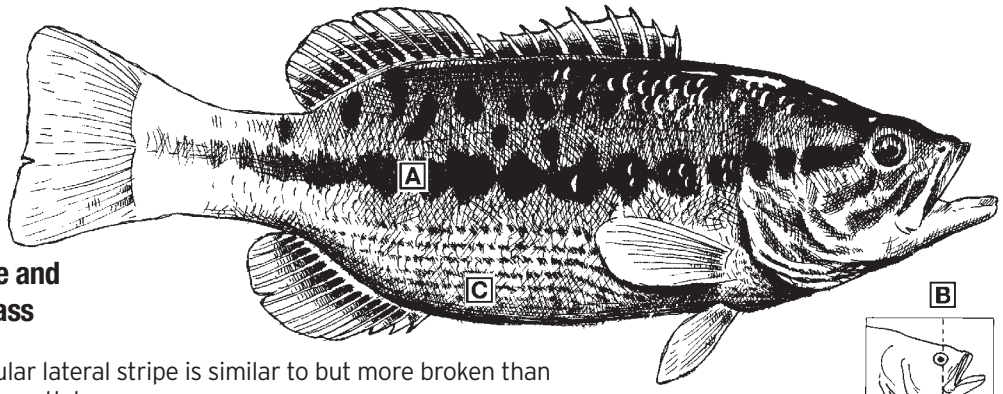
smallmouth bass



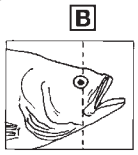
A Vertical barring along the sides.

B Jaw does not extend BEYOND the back margin of the eye when mouth is closed.

C Brownish-green color; white belly area does not extend high on the sides.



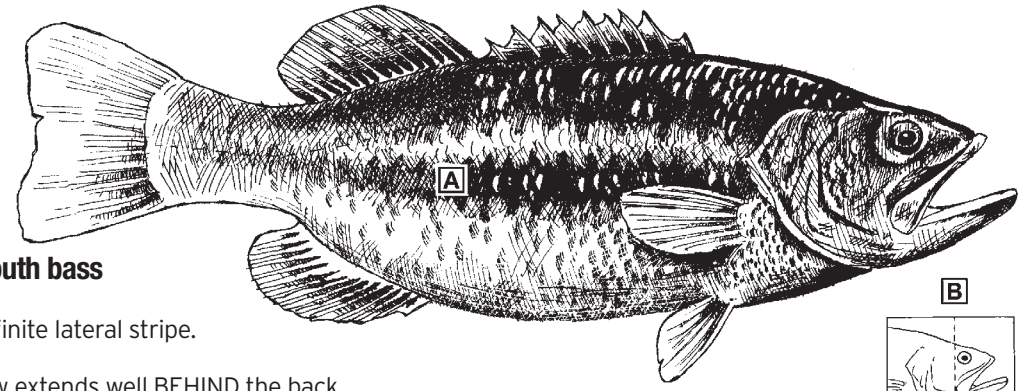
Guadalupe and spotted bass



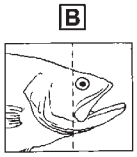
A Irregular lateral stripe is similar to but more broken than largemouth bass.

B Jaw does not extend BEYOND the back margin of the eye when mouth is closed.

C Spots on scales form "rows" of stripes on whitish belly area.



largemouth bass



A Definite lateral stripe.

B Jaw extends well BEHIND the back margin of the eye when mouth is closed.

SALTWATER FISHING – GENERAL INFORMATION

- For freshwater finfish species caught in the public salt waters of this state, statewide bag, possession and length limits as listed on pg. 37 apply.
- A person taking or attempting to take game and nongame fish from salt water for non-commercial purposes is required to have a valid fishing license and a saltwater fishing endorsement.

Texas State Waters – Federal Waters

Texas recreational and commercial fishermen fishing more than nine (9) nautical miles off the coast of Texas are in federal waters and are subject to rules and regulations that may differ from those in state waters. An example would be the federal requirement to use non-stainless circle hooks when fishing for reef fish. Recreational anglers must have a Texas fishing license and saltwater endorsement to bring any fish taken in federal waters ashore in Texas. To ensure that you are in compliance with federal regulations, you should contact the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council at (888) 833-1844 (toll free). Federal rules may be found online at www.gulfcouncil.org

The limits and restrictions in this guide apply to aquatic life caught in the public waters of Texas out to nine (9) nautical miles in the Gulf of Mexico, and also apply to aquatic life caught between 9 and 200 nautical miles in the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) and possessed in state waters or landed in this state. (Federal law also regulates species between 9 and 200 nautical miles managed under a Federal Fishery Management Plan.) See pg. 27 for Importation of Wildlife Resources.

IT IS UNLAWFUL TO POSSESS AQUATIC LIFE IN TEXAS WATERS THAT WAS ILLEGALLY TAKEN IN FEDERAL WATERS.

Bag and Length Limits for Saltwater Fish

- Daily bag and possession limit are defined on pg. 32.
- There are no bag, possession, or length limits on game or nongame fish, except as listed in this guide.

Species	Daily Bag	Length in Inches (Minimum — Maximum)
Amberjack, greater	1	34 – No limit
Bass: striped, its hybrids and subspecies	5 (in any combination)	18 – No limit
Catfish: channel and blue catfish, their hybrids and subspecies	25 (in any combination)	12 – No limit
Catfish, flathead	5	18 – No limit
Catfish, gafftopsail	No limit	14 – No limit
Cobia	2	37 – No limit
Drum, black[a]	5	14 – 30[a]
Drum, red[b]	3	20 – 28[b]
Flounder: all species, their hybrids and subspecies[c]	5/2[c] (in any combination)	14 – No limit[c]
Gar, alligator	1	No limit – No limit
Grouper, gag	2	22 – No limit
Grouper, goliath (formerly called Jewfish)	0	Catch and release only
Mackerel, king	2	27 – No limit
Mackerel, Spanish	15	14 – No limit
Marlin, blue	No limit	131 – No limit
Marlin, white	No limit	86 – No limit

(Continued)

Species	Daily Bag	Length in Inches (Minimum — Maximum)
Mullet: all species, their hybrids and subspecies[d]	No limit	No limit – 12[d] (during Oct., Nov., Dec. & Jan.)
Sailfish	No limit	84 – No limit
Seatrout, spotted		15 – 25[e]
All waters NORTH of F.M. 457 in Matagorda County	10	
All waters SOUTH of F.M. 457 in Matagorda County	5	
Sharks:		
Atlantic sharpnose, blacktip, bonnethead	1 See Special Regulation[f] below.	24 – No limit
allowable shark species		64 – No limit
prohibited species[g]	0	Catch and release only
Sheepshead	5	15 – No limit
Snapper, lane	No limit	8 – No limit
Snapper, red[h]	4	15 – No limit
Snapper, vermilion	No limit	10 – No limit
Snook	1	24 – 28
Tarpon	1	85 – No limit
Triggerfish, gray	20	16 – No limit
Tripletail	3	17 – No limit

[a] No more than one black drum over 52 inches may be retained per person per day and counts as part of the daily bag and possession limit.

[b] Red drum special regulation: During a license year, one red drum over the stated maximum length limit may be retained when affixed with a properly completed Red Drum Tag and one red drum over the stated maximum length limit may be retained when affixed with a properly completed Bonus Red Drum Tag. Any fish retained under authority of a Red Drum Tag or a Bonus Red Drum Tag may be retained in addition to the daily bag and possession limit as stated in this section.

[c] Flounder special regulation: Daily bag is 5 fish except from Nov. 1-30, when the daily bag limit is 2 fish (flounder may be taken only by pole-and-line); and from December 1-14, when the daily bag limit is 2 fish (flounder may be taken by any legal means, including gigging). Possession limit is equal to the daily bag.

[d] May not take from public waters, or possess on board a boat, mullet over 12 inches during October, November, December, and January. No limits apply during other months.

[e] No more than one spotted seatrout over the stated maximum length may be retained per person per day and counts as part of the daily bag and possession limit.

[f] **Special Regulation:** The daily bag limit is 1 fish for all allowable shark species **INCLUDING** Atlantic sharpnose, blacktip and bonnethead.

[g] **Prohibited shark species:** Atlantic angel, Basking, Bigeye sand tiger, Bigeye sixgill, Bigeye thresher, Bignose, Caribbean reef, Caribbean sharpnose, Dusky, Galapagos, Longfin mako, Narrowtooth, Night, Sandbar, Sand tiger, Sevengill, Silky, Sixgill, Smalltail, Whale, White.

[h] **Special Regulation:** Red snapper may be taken using pole and line, but it is unlawful to use any kind of hook other than a circle hook when using natural bait. For additional regulations governing red snapper and other reef fish, see pg. 44.

Saltwater Freeze Events

When temperatures on the coast are predicted to fall below 32°F for three or more days, the TPWD executive director may close one or more of the sites listed on the website below for saltwater fishing until the threat from the freeze event is over. This NOTICE OF CLOSURE will be made available to local media including newspapers. If you have any questions about your fishing area during a freeze event, please watch your local newspaper or call the nearest TPWD Law Enforcement office (see pg. 18).

Coastal areas that may be closed to fishing during freeze conditions can be found at the following website: tpwd.texas.gov/saltwater-freeze-events

Shrimp Regulations

- Shrimp may be taken for personal use (bait or food). Shrimp taken for personal use may not be sold.
- A person taking or attempting to take shrimp from salt water for non-commercial purposes is required to have a valid fishing license and a saltwater fishing endorsement.

Legal Sport Shrimping Devices:

- Cast Net (see pg. 33 for cast net restrictions)
- Seine (see pg. 34 for seine restrictions)
- Individual Bait-shrimp Trawl with Individual Bait Shrimp Trawl Tag (see pg. 24 and below)

Individual Bait-shrimp Trawl:

- Only one trawl per boat is allowed.
- Must have an individual bait-shrimp trawl tag in one's possession while trawling (see pg. 24).
- Must not be greater than 20 feet in width between the doors.
- Mesh size must not be smaller than 8-3/4 inches over a consecutive series of five stretched meshes.
- Boards must not be larger than 450 square inches each.

Coastal waters (all the salt waters of the state) are divided into the following groups**:**

1. **Outside Water:** That part of the Gulf of Mexico extending from the shoreline seaward to nine nautical miles. May not take shrimp from outside waters during closed seasons (see pg. 48)
2. **Inside Water:** All bays, passes, rivers, or other bodies of water landward from the shoreline along the Gulf of Mexico. In these waters, the tide rises and falls and saltwater shrimp are found or migrate. Shrimping is not permitted within any natural or man-made pass leading from the inside waters to the outside waters of the state.
3. **Major Bays:**
   - Sabine Lake north of Cameron Causeway to south of a line marked by the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway (Sabine Neches Canal/Sabine River) between the easternmost tip of Goat Island to the westernmost tip of Stewts Island
   - Trinity Bay southward from a line extending from the mouth of Double Bayou in Chambers County to Double Bayou Channel Marker 14, to Separator C-2, to Point Barrow in Chambers County
   - Galveston Bay
   - East Bay westward from a line extending from Frozen Point to the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway Marker 12
   - Matagorda Bay westward of a line extending from a location on the mainland (where a line running immediately northwest [bearing 330 degrees] from Shellfish Marker A intersects the mainland), thence southeasterly to Shellfish Marker A located near the mainland, thence to Shellfish Marker B located near the end of Shell Island Reef, thence to the tide gauge located near the Matagorda Peninsula, and thence southeasterly [bearing 153 degrees] to the Matagorda Peninsula.
   - East Matagorda Bay

- Tres Palacios Bay south of a line from Grassey Point to the mouth of Pilkington Bayou
- Espiritu Santo Bay
- Lavaca Bay southward of State Highway 35
- San Antonio Bay southward of a line from McDowell Point to Mosquito Point
- Aransas Bay
- Corpus Christi Bay exclusive of the area bounded by a line extending from the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway at the southwest point of the Dagger Island chain, along Dagger Island to the southeast tip of Ransom Island, then southeast to the westernmost point of land north of Marker 14 in the Corpus Christi Ship Channel
- All exclusive of tributary bays, bayous, inlets, lakes and rivers

4. **Bait Bays** (includes major bays and those listed here)**:**
   - Chocolate Bay
   - West Bay south and west of Interstate Hwy. 45 Causeway Bridge and the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway inclusive of the area south of a line extending westward from Interstate Hwy. 45 Causeway Bridge at Virginia Point, along the southern edge of Tiki Island to the northeastern tip of North Deer Island at Channel Marker 48
   - Trinity Bay northward from a line extending from the mouth of Double Bayou in Chambers County to Double Bayou Channel Marker 14, to Separator C-2, to Point Barrow in Chambers County
   - The Old Brazos River lying north of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway in Brazoria County
   - Upper Laguna Madre
   - Baffin Bay
   - Alazan Bay
   - Barroom Bay
   - Lower Laguna Madre, including the Brownsville Ship Channel
   - The entire Gulf Intracoastal Waterway, exclusive of all tributaries
5. **Nursery Areas:** (No Shrimping Allowed) Those coastal waters not specifically named above as Major Bays or Bait Bays are considered Nursery Areas. Includes tributary bays, bayous, inlets, lakes, and rivers that serve as significant growth and development environments for postlarval and juvenile shrimp. Does not include outside waters, major bays, or bait bays.

Bait Shrimping (Major Bays and Bait Bays)

Season	Hours	Limits
Aug. 15 – Mar. 31	30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset	• 2 quarts/person (with heads attached) • 4 quarts/boat (with heads attached) on boats taking shrimp with individual bait shrimp trawl
Apr. 1 – Aug. 14	30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset	• No count size restrictions

Shrimping for Purposes other than Bait (Major Bays only)

Season	Hours	Limits
Spring Open Season May 15 – July 15	30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset	• 15 pounds/person/day (heads attached) • No count size restrictions
Fall Open Season Aug. 15 – Oct. 31	30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset	• 15 pounds/person/day (heads attached) • No count size restrictions
Fall Open Season Nov. 1 – Nov. 30	30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset	• 15 pounds/person/day (heads attached) • No count size restrictions

Shrimping in Outside Waters — Southern Zone

(South of a line from the Corpus Christi Fish Pass [Latitude 27° 40' 34"] to the Mexican Border)

Location	Season	Hours	Limits
Beyond 5 nautical miles	Dec. 1-May 15**	Day and Night	• 100 pounds onboard/day (heads attached)
	July 16**-Nov. 30		
Inside 5 nautical miles	July 16**-Nov. 30	30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset	• 100 pounds onboard/day (heads attached)
	CLOSED TO NIGHT SHRIMPING	30 minutes after sunset to 30 minutes before sunrise	**CLOSED TO NIGHT SHRIMPING**
	WINTER CLOSED SEASON Dec. 1-May 15**	Day and Night	**CLOSED SEASON**
Inside 9* nautical miles	**SUMMER CLOSED SEASON** May 15**-July 15**	Day and Night	**CLOSED SEASON**

Shrimping in Outside Waters — Northern Zone

(North of a line from the Corpus Christi Fish Pass [Latitude 27° 40' 34"] to the Louisiana Border)

Location	Season	Hours	Limits
Beyond 5 nautical miles	Dec. 1-May 15**	Day and Night	• 100 pounds onboard/day (heads attached)
	July 16**-Nov. 30		
Inside 5 nautical miles	Feb. 16-May 15**	30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset	• 100 pounds onboard/day (heads attached)
	July 16**-Nov. 30		
	CLOSED TO NIGHT SHRIMPING	30 minutes after sunset to 30 minutes before sunrise	**CLOSED TO NIGHT SHRIMPING**
	WINTER CLOSED SEASON Dec. 1-Feb. 15	Day and Night	**CLOSED SEASON**
Inside 9* nautical miles	**SUMMER CLOSED SEASON** May 15**-July 15**	Day and Night	**CLOSED SEASON**

***SPECIAL NOTICE:** The federal government may close the Exclusive Economic Zone off Texas (9-200 nautical miles) at the same time Texas waters are closed. For further information call the National Marine Fisheries Service at (727) 824-5305.

****SPECIAL NOTICE:** These dates may be changed by the department providing 72 hours public notice on new closing dates and 24 hours public notice on new opening dates.

Special County Restrictions

Nueces: It is unlawful for any person to take or attempt to take shrimp with a trawl in the Laguna Madre north of a line starting on the mainland at the most northeasterly point on the north side of the entrance to Whiteley Channel then proceeding in a straight line to the north end of Pita Island; then continuing on a line to the southernmost point on the westerly most spoil island bordering the north side of the New Humble Channel (commonly referred to as Hap's Channel); then continuing on a line along the north edge of the New Humble Channel (commonly referred to as Hap's Channel) to its junction with the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway; then continuing on a straight line to the Nueces/Kleberg County line marker on Padre Island.

Crab and Ghost Shrimp Regulations

NOTE: It is unlawful to place, fish, or leave a crab trap or crab trap component in the coastal waters of the state from Feb. 19-29, 2016.

- Crabs may be taken for personal use (bait or food). Crabs taken with recreational license for personal use **may not be sold**.
- There are no public salt waters, seasons, or times closed to the taking and retaining of crabs and ghost shrimp, **EXCEPT** as provided in this guide.
- It is lawful to take, attempt to take, or possess crabs and ghost shrimp by means, in numbers, and of sizes **ONLY** as described below.
- A person taking or attempting to take crabs or ghost shrimp from salt water for non-commercial purposes is required to have a valid fishing license and a saltwater fishing endorsement.

Bag, Possession and Length Limits

Species	Daily Bag	Possession	Minimum Length
Blue crab[a]	No limit	No limit	5 inches (Measured across the widest point of the body from tip of spine to tip of spine.) See pg. 41.
Stone crab[b] (right claw only)	No limit	No limit	2-1/2 inches claw (Measured from the tip of claw to first joint behind the immovable claw.) See pg. 41.
Ghost shrimp	20	20 per person	None

[a] Except that not more than 5% by number, of undersized blue crabs may be possessed for bait purposes only and must be placed in a separate container.
- May not possess egg-bearing (sponge) crabs.
- May not possess a female crab that has its abdominal apron removed.

[b] Only the right claw may be retained or possessed. The body of the stone crab must be immediately returned to the water from which it was taken.

Legal Devices and Restrictions

Crab Line: A baited line with no hook attached.
- No restrictions.

Umbrella Net (sometimes called crab net): A non-metallic mesh net that is suspended horizontally in the water by multiple lines attached to a rigid frame.
- May be used to take crabs and **NONGAME** fish only.
- May not have within the frame an area that exceeds 16 square feet.

Folding Panel Traps:
- Only crabs may be taken.
- Overall surface area (including panels) may not exceed 16 square feet.

Crab Traps:
- Only six crab traps at a time may be fished for non-commercial purposes.
- May only remove crab traps from the water or remove crabs from crab traps during the period from 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.
- **Tag Requirements:** Must be used with a valid GEAR TAG, valid for 10 days (see pg. 32) and attached within six inches of the buoy or pier to which the trap is tied.
- **Construction and Design Restrictions:**
  - May not exceed 18 cubic feet.
  - Must be equipped with at least two escape vents in each crab-retaining chamber and located on the outside trap walls.
  - Escape vents must be at least 2-3/8 inches in diameter.
  - Must be marked with a white floating buoy not less than 6 inches in height, 6 inches in length, and 6 inches in width, bearing a 2-inch wide center stripe of contrasting color, attached to the crab trap.
  - Buoys or floats may not be made of plastic bottle(s) of any color or size.
  - Must be equipped with a degradable panel. A trap is considered to have a degradable panel if one of the following methods is used in construction of the trap:
    - the trap lid tie-down strap is secured to the trap at one end by a simple loop of untreated jute twine (comparable to Lehigh brand #530), sisal twine (comparable to Lehigh brand #390) or untreated steel wire with a diameter of 20 gauge or smaller. The trap lid must be secured so that when the twine or wire degrades, the lid will no longer be securely closed; or
    - the trap contains at least one sidewall, not including the bottom panel, with a rectangular opening no smaller in either dimension than 3 inches by 6 inches. Any obstruction placed in this opening may not be secured in any manner EXCEPT it may be laced, sewn, or otherwise obstructed by a single length of untreated jute twine (comparable to Lehigh brand #530), sisal twine (comparable to Lehigh brand #390) or untreated steel wire with a diameter of 20 gauge or smaller knotted only at each end and not tied or looped more than once around a single mesh bar. When the twine or wire degrades, the opening in the sidewall of the trap will no longer be obstructed; or
    - the obstruction may be loosely hinged at the bottom of the opening by no more than two untreated steel hog rings and secured at the top of the obstruction in no more than one place by a single length of untreated jute twine (comparable to Lehigh brand #530), sisal twine (comparable to Lehigh brand #390) or untreated steel wire with a diameter of 20 gauge or smaller. When the twine or wire degrades, the obstruction will hinge downward and the opening in the sidewall of the trap will no longer be obstructed.

- **Placement and Location Restrictions:**
  - May not place a crab trap or portion thereof closer than 100 feet from any other crab trap, EXCEPT when traps are secured to a pier or dock.
  - May not fish a crab trap in public fresh waters.

- May not fish a crab trap within 200 feet of a marked navigable channel in Aransas County; and in the water area of Aransas Bay within one-half mile of a line from Hail Point on the Lamar Peninsula, then direct to the eastern end of Goose Island, then along the southern shore of Goose Island, then along the eastern shoreline of the Live Oak Peninsula past the town of Fulton, past Nine Mile Point, past the town of Rockport to a point at the east end of Talley Island, including that part of Copano Bay within 1,000 feet of the causeway between Lamar Peninsula and Live Oak Peninsula.
- May not possess, use, or place more than three crab traps in waters north and west of Hwy. 146 where it crosses the Houston Ship Channel in Harris County.
- May not use or place more than three crab traps in public waters of the San Bernard River north of a line marked by the boat access channel at Bernard Acres.
- It is unlawful to place any type of trap within the area in Cedar Bayou between a department sign erected where Mesquite Bay flows into Cedar Bayou and the department sign erected near the point where the pass empties into the Gulf of Mexico.

Other Devices:

- Devices legally used for taking of fresh or saltwater fish or shrimp may be used to take crab if operated in places and at times authorized by a proclamation of the Parks and Wildlife Commission or the Parks and Wildlife Code.
- See applicable pages in this guide to determine authorized uses, places, and times for other legal devices.

Sand Pumps: A self-contained, hand-held, hand-operated suction device used to remove and capture Callianassid ghost shrimp.

- May only be manually operated.
- May not be used for commercial purposes.

Oyster Regulations

- Oysters may be taken for personal use (food). Oysters taken with recreational license for personal use **may not be sold**.
- A person taking or attempting to take oysters is required to have a valid fishing license and a saltwater endorsement.
- Persons fishing with tongs or a dredge must hold a sport oyster boat license.
- Oysters may be taken only from waters approved by the **Texas Department of State Health Services Seafood and Aquatic Life Group. For more information call (800) 685-0361.**
- Oysters may not be taken from marked private leases, except by permission of the lessee.
- **Seasons:** November 1 through April 30, sunrise to 3:30 p.m., coastwide.
- **Length and Possession Limits:**
  - Oysters must be 3 inches or larger as measured by the greatest length of the shell.
  - Oysters 3/4 inch to 3 inches and dead oyster shell greater than 3/4-inch (measured along any axis) must be culled and returned to the reef from which taken.
  - Oysters 3/4 inch to 3 inches and dead oyster shell greater than 3/4-inch (measured along any axis) may not make up more than 15% by number of oysters in possession.
  - No more than two sacks of legal oysters may be possessed per person. A sack is defined as 110 pounds of oysters including dead oyster shell and the sack.
- **Devices:**
  - Oysters may be taken by hand, with tongs, or by oyster dredge.
  - Oyster dredges may not be more than 14 inches in width.

Other Aquatic Life (Fresh and Salt Waters)

- Aquatic life not addressed in this guide (except threatened and endangered species) may be taken only by hand or with the devices defined as lawful for taking fish, crabs, oysters, or shrimp in places and at times as provided in this guide.

- There is no open season, bag or possession limit for **marine mammals** (including porpoises, dolphins and whales).
- In public fresh waters, a fishing license and freshwater fishing endorsement is required to take mussels, clams, crayfish, and other aquatic life for personal use. In salt water, a saltwater fishing endorsement is required with the fishing license.
- **A hunting license is required to hunt non-protected turtles and frogs** (see pgs. 25 and 72).
- No more than 25 pounds of whole mussels and clams, or 12 pounds of mussel and clam shells may be taken per day for personal use only.
- **Clams, Mussels and Other Molluscan Shellfish** taken from public **salt waters** may be taken only from waters approved by the Texas Department of State Health Services (TDSHS). Maps identifying approved areas may be obtained from the TDSHS, Seafood and Aquatic Life Group (512) 834-6757. Additional information concerning area closures may be obtained 24 hours a day, 7 days a week by calling (800) 685-0361.
- **Consumption of Clams and Mussels** taken from public **fresh waters** is prohibited by the TDSHS.
- Mussels and clams may only be taken by hand.
- Freshwater mussels of the following species may be taken only when they will not pass through a ring with an inside diameter (I.D.) specified for that species.

Species	Ring I.D. in inches
Washboard	4.00
Threeridges and roundlakes	2.75
Mapleleafs and pimplebacks	2.75
Tampico pearlymussel	2.75
Bleufer	2.75
All Other Species of Freshwater Mussels	2.50

- More information on harvesting freshwater mussels and clams, including areas closed to harvest, can be obtained by calling TPWD in Austin at (512) 389-4444.
- It is unlawful to take more than 15 live univalve snails during a day which include no more than two each of the following snails: lightning whelk, horse conch, Florida fighting conch, pear whelk, banded tulip, or Florida rocksnail.
- It is unlawful to take or kill shell-bearing mollusks, hermit crabs, starfish, or sea urchins from Nov. 1 through Apr. 30 within the following boundary: the bay and pass sides of South Padre Island from the east end of the north jetty at Brazos Santiago Pass to the west end of West Marisol Drive in the town of South Padre Island, out 1,000 yards from the mean high-tide line, and bounded to the south by the centerline of the Brazos Santiago Pass.

Fish Consumption Bans and Advisories

Fish and shellfish can be a source of high-quality protein in your diet. Fish and shellfish, however, can accumulate contaminants from the waters in which they live. The **Texas Department of State Health Services (TDSHS)** monitors fish in the state for the presence of environmental contaminants and alerts the public through bans and advisories when a threat to human health may occur from the consumption of contaminated fish.

In waters with consumption bans, possession and consumption of fish and/or shellfish is prohibited. Catch-and-release fishing from these areas is allowed. A consumption advisory is a recommendation to limit consumption to specified quantities, species, and sizes of fish. For additional information, a listing of all consumption bans and advisories, or a listing of areas tested where no bans or advisories were issued, call the **TDSHS at (800) 685-0361 (shellfish) or (512) 834-6757 (fish)** or visit: www.dshs.state.tx.us/seafood.

Boater Education

Anyone born on or after September 1, 1993 MUST complete an approved boater education course before operating in public water a vessel of more than 15 horsepower, a windblown vessel of more than 14 feet in length, or a personal watercraft, unless there is another person on board who is 18 years of age or older and who is legally qualified to operate the vessel or personal watercraft.

For course information, please call TPWD toll-free at **(800) 792-1112** (menu 6) or call **(512) 389-4999** or consult the TPWD Boater Education section at: www.tpwd.texas.gov/boating/education

Boating Regulations and Safe Boating Tips

Each year, over 90 percent of all sportsmen who die in the water were not wearing a life jacket. WEAR YOUR LIFE JACKET! The life you save may be your own.

If you use a boat:

- **STATE LAW REQUIRES** a wearable-type life jacket (Types I, II, or III) for each person on board. Life jackets must be U.S. Coast Guard approved.
- Children under 13 years of age **must wear** a wearable personal flotation device on a vessel under 26 ft. in length while underway. It is recommended that non-swimmers always wear a life jacket on the water. In addition, a Type IV throwable-type life jacket is required on boats 16 feet in length and longer.
- **STATE LAW PROHIBITS** intoxicated persons (.08% BAC) from operating a boat.
- **CHECK THE WEATHER** and give a "float plan" to a friend before departing.
- See the **Texas Water Safety Act Digest** available on the TPWD website for a detailed summary of boating regulations.

www.tpwd.texas.gov/boatsafe

HELLO INVASIVE SPECIES. GOODBYE TEXAS LAKES.

Texas' waterways are under attack by invasive species that push aside native plants and animals, throwing aquatic ecosystems out of whack. Invasive plants like giant salvinia can double in size in a week and block recreational access. And species like zebra mussels can hinder water recreation, damage your boat and affect our water supply.

Don't be a carrier. Prevent the spread of invasive species by following 3 steps EVERY time you leave the water:

1. **CLEAN.** Inspect your boat, trailer and gear and remove all plant material, mud and foreign objects.
2. **DRAIN.** Remove all water from the boat, including the motor, bilge, livewells and bait buckets.
3. **DRY.** Open all compartments and allow the boat and trailer to dry for a week or more before entering another body of water. If you can't dry the boat and trailer for at least a week, wash them with high-pressure, hot soapy water instead.

Possession or transportation of aquatic invasive species without a permit is illegal in Texas. Boaters are also required to drain all water from their boat and gear before approaching or leaving a public water fresh water body. The penalty for the first offense is a fine of up to $500. The penalty for a repeat offense is a fine of up to $2,000, up to 180 days in jail, or both.

Learn more at www.texasinvasives.org. For a list of harmful and potentially harmful aquatic species, visit www.tpwd.texas.gov/invasives

GOOD FISHING DEPENDS ON CLEAN WATER. Algae blooms affect fishing spots, creating "dead zones" where no aquatic life can survive. The cause is usually pollution from fertilizers, septic systems, animal waste, and sewage treatment plants. Everyone can do something to help. Supporting water quality protection supports great fishing! Learn more at: **www.epa.gov/nutrientpollution/**

Check water conditions, fish habitat partnerships and fish advisories by accessing EPA's water data at **www.epa.gov/mywaterway**

EPA

Operation Game Thief
Texas' Wildlife Crime-Stoppers Program

Reward Hotline: (800) 792-4263
www.ogttx.com

NEW! Violations can now be reported via text messaging. Text to **847411**, then type message beginning with **TPWD** (not case-sensitive).

You can make a difference by reporting poaching, pollution and dumping, arson in state parks and intoxicated boaters! Up to $1,000 may be paid for information leading to arrest and conviction of a person for a violation of our state's wildlife and fisheries laws, as well as for certain laws related to environmental crime, arson and intoxicated boaters.

Operation Game Thief is privately funded. Please consider supporting efforts to protect our precious natural resources and keep our waterways safe by sending your tax deductible donation to Operation Game Thief, or by becoming an Operation Game Thief member.

Please visit www.ogttx.com for membership information. Donations can be sent to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, 4200 Smith School Road, Austin, Texas 78744, or you may also call (512) 389-4381 to make a donation by credit card.

AN ETHICAL HUNTER…

- **Is responsible, careful, considerate, capable and courteous.**
- **Is mindful of the non-hunting public.**
- **Properly tags and transports game appropriately.**
- **Takes safe, considerate and non-offensive photos.**

Written laws tell us what we can and cannot do. Unwritten laws (ethics) tell us what we should and should not do.

SUMMARY OF 2015-2016 HUNTING REGULATIONS

Definitions

Annual Bag Limit for Alligator, Deer, Antelope, Turkey or Javelina:
The maximum number of these species that may be lawfully taken by a hunter during a license year.

Antler Point:
A projection that extends at least one inch from the edge of a main beam or another tine. The tip of a main beam is also a point (see illustrations, pg. 65).

Bait:
Minerals, vegetative material, or any other food substance placed to lure any wildlife resource.

Closed Season:
For any species, the period of time, if any, when hunting that species is not permitted.

Daily Bag Limit:
The maximum number of a game species (quail, pheasant, squirrel, etc.) that may be lawfully taken by a hunter during the legal shooting hours in one day.

Day:
A 24-hour period of time that begins at midnight and ends at midnight.

Edible condition:
Fit for human consumption, but does not include any portion of a game bird, game animal, or fish that is bruised ("bloodshot") by a bullet, shot, or arrow; otherwise destroyed as a result of harvest; decayed or rotting; or obviously infected or diseased.

"Final Destination" for Pronghorn Antelope, Deer, and Turkey means:
The permanent residence of the person who takes the antelope, deer, or turkey; the permanent residence of the person who receives the antelope, deer, or turkey or part of the antelope, deer, or turkey; or a cold storage or processing facility.

Hunt:
To capture, trap, take, or kill, and includes any attempt to capture, trap, take, or kill.

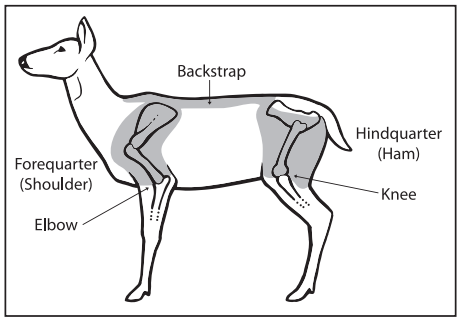
Legal Shooting Hours for all Game Animals and Nonmigratory Game Birds:
The period from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. For information on sunrise/sunset hours, please look at: www.sunrisesunset.com/usa/Texas.asp

Open Season:
The period of time during which it is lawful to hunt a specified animal, game animal, wild fowl, or bird. The dates in this guide are opening and closing dates for the open season. The open season includes both dates and all days between. Unless otherwise specified, the open season is a "**general**" season and all legal means, as specified in this guide, may be used in taking the species. Where the open season is designated as "**archery**," only legal archery equipment/crossbow as specified below may be used. Where the open season is designated as "**muzzleloader only**," only muzzleloaders as defined below may be used. When a season is designated as a "**youth-only**," special regulations apply (see pgs. 65-67). See definition of "youth" (pg. 55).

Permanent Residence:
One's principal or ordinary home or dwelling place. This does not include one's temporary abode or dwelling such as a hunting/fishing club, or any club house, cabin, tent, car, truck, or trailer house used as a hunting/fishing club, or any hotel, motel, or rooming house used during a hunting, fishing, pleasure, or business trip.

Possession Limit:
The maximum number of a species that lawfully may be in one person's possession at any time after the first day of a hunting season, except for deer, antelope, and turkey. On the first day of any open season, the possession limit is the same as the daily bag limit. After the first day, the possession limit becomes twice the daily bag limit (except for quail and some migratory birds). For all wildlife resources taken for personal consumption and for which there is a possession limit, the possession limit shall not apply after the wildlife resource has reached the possessor's permanent residence and has been finally processed.

Quartered:
A deer or antelope is quartered when the forequarters, hindquarters, and back straps have been completely severed from the carcass.



Wildlife Resources:
Any wild animal, wild bird, or aquatic life.

Youth:
For the purposes of participation in Youth-Only hunting seasons for deer, turkey, and squirrel, is any person 16 years of age or younger. For youth waterfowl seasons, it is any person 15 years of age or younger (see the Waterfowl Digest for season dates).

MEANS AND METHODS

FIREARMS

- **Game animals** and **game birds** may be hunted with any **legal** firearm, **EXCEPT**:
  - white-tailed deer, mule deer, desert bighorn sheep, and pronghorn antelope may **NOT** be hunted with rimfire ammunition of any caliber.
  - **shotguns** are the only legal **firearm** that may be used to hunt Eastern turkey during the **spring Eastern turkey season** (see County Listings). Rifles and handguns may not be used to hunt Eastern turkey.
  - pellet guns and other air guns are **NOT LEGAL** for the take of any game bird or game animal other than squirrel. To be lawful for the take of squirrel, an air rifle must be designed to be fired from the shoulder and use the force of a spring, air, or other non-ignited compressed gas to expel a projectile of at least .177 caliber (4.5mm) at a minimum muzzle velocity of 600 feet per second.
  - fully automatic firearms are **NOT LEGAL**.
  - a shotgun is the only legal firearm for hunting migratory game birds (see Definitions - Legal Shotgun, pg. 68).
- **Silencers** may be used to take any wildlife resource; however all federal, state and local laws continue to apply.
- **Nongame Animals (Non-Protected):** Any lawful firearm, pellet gun, or other air gun is legal.
- **Magazine Capacity (number of shells/cartridges allowed):** There are no restrictions on the number of shells or cartridges a legal firearm may hold when hunting game animals or game birds (except migratory game birds, see Legal Shotgun, pg. 68).
- **Muzzleloader:** Any firearm that is loaded only through the muzzle. **Note:** A cap and ball firearm in which the powder and ball are loaded into a cylinder **is not** a muzzleloader. Muzzleloader deer seasons are restricted to muzzleloading firearms only.
- **Possession of firearms by felons:** A convicted felon, regardless of where the conviction occurred, may not possess or use a firearm (as defined by Penal Code, §46.01) to hunt in this state. Under Penal Code, §46.01, a muzzleloading firearm is lawful if it is an antique or curio firearm manufactured before 1899 or a replica of an antique or curio firearm manufactured before 1899 that does not use rimfire or centerfire ammunition.

ARCHERY AND CROSSBOWS (see **Artificial light** in **Restricted Methods** section)

- Only the archery and crossbow equipment prescribed in this section may be used for taking game animals or game birds. Archery and crossbow equipment may not be used to hunt deer during the Muzzleloader-Only Deer Season.
- **Nongame Animals:** Archery and crossbows are lawful for non-protected nongame animals.
- **Longbows, compound bows, or recurved bows:**
  - there is no minimum draw requirement.
  - devices that allow a bow to be locked at full or partial draw are lawful during any season when lawful archery equipment may be used.
- **Crossbow**
  - **IMPORTANT NOTICE: Crossbows are lawful <u>for any person</u> during the Archery-Only Open Season in all counties, except in Collin, Dallas, Grayson, and Rockwall counties,** where no person may use a crossbow to hunt deer during the Archery-Only Open Season (Oct. 3 - Nov. 6, 2015) unless the person has an upper-limb disability and has in immediate possession a physician's statement that certifies the extent of the disability. An upper-limb disability is a permanent loss of the use of fingers, hand, or arm in a manner that renders the person incapable of using a longbow, compound bow, or recurved bow.
  - **Any person**, regardless of physical ability, may use a crossbow to hunt game animals or game birds in any county, including Collin, Dallas, Grayson, and Rockwall counties, during a general open season or Eastern spring turkey season.
  - An archery endorsement is required to hunt deer during the Archery-Only Open Season. An archery endorsement is required to hunt deer <u>at any time in Collin, Dallas, Grayson, and Rockwall counties</u>, including during the general open season (Nov. 7, 2015 – Jan. 3, 2016).
  - A crossbow is lawful for game animals and game birds, provided:
    (1) the crossbow has a minimum pull of 125 pounds;
    (2) the crossbow has a mechanical safety; and
    (3) the crossbow stock is not less than 25 inches in length.
  - **Telescopic sights are lawful**
- **Projectiles** (Arrows and Crossbow Bolts)
  - While hunting game animals and game birds, a projectile may not be poisoned, drugged, or explosive.
  - When used to hunt turkey and all game animals other than squirrels, a projectile must be equipped with a broadhead hunting point that is at least 7/8-inch in width (upon impact) and has a minimum of two cutting edges. A mechanical broadhead must begin to open upon impact and, when open, must be a minimum of 7/8-inch in width.
  - An archer may have arrows/bolts with field, target, or judo points in the quiver with the broadhead hunting points.

Falconry

For information on permitting or hunting regulations for falconry, call (800) 792-1112 (menu 7) or (512) 389-4481.

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- It is **unlawful** for any person, while hunting or engaging in recreational shooting, to knowingly discharge a firearm in such a fashion as to cause a projectile to cross a property line, unless the person owns the property on both sides of the property line or has obtained written permission from the owner of any land crossed by the projectile.
- **Remote-controlled Hunting:** A person may not engage in computer-assisted remote hunting of any animal or bird or provide or operate facilities for computer-assisted remote hunting if the animal or bird being hunted is located in Texas.
- **Artificial light** of any form that casts or reflects a beam of light onto or otherwise illuminates a game animal or bird may not be used as an aid to hunt, **except** battery-powered scoping devices that project a light or dot only inside the scope, pin sight lights on archery equipment, or laser sighting devices used by legally blind hunters, or hunters who have a documented permanent physical disability that prevents them from using traditional firearm sighting devices.
  - Legal blindness is: no more than 20/200 of visual acuity in the better eye with correcting lenses or visual acuity greater than 20/200, but with a limitation in the field of vision such that the widest diameter of the visual field subtends an angle no greater than 20 degrees. Blind hunters must be assisted by a licensed hunter at least 13 years of age who is not legally blind. Blind hunters must possess a physician's signed statement attesting to legal blindness.
  - A person who uses a laser sighting device because of a permanent physical disability that prevents

them from using a traditional firearm sighting device must have in possession a signed statement from a physician or optometrist certifying that the person is incapable of using a traditional firearm sighting device and be accompanied by a person who is not physically disabled or legally blind, has a hunting license, and is at least 13 years of age.
  - **Hunter education requirements apply to legally blind hunters, hunters with a documented permanent physical disability, and persons assisting blind or disabled hunters.**
  - Non-protected nongame animals and fur-bearing animals may be hunted at night with the aid of an artificial light on private property. If hunting at night, please make a courtesy telephone call to your local game warden.
- **Traps** may not be used to hunt game birds or game animals.
- **Dogs** may not be used to hunt deer in this state.
  - A person is prohibited from using a dog to hunt or pursue deer in this state. A person who violates this law is subject to a fine of $500-$4,000 and/or a year in jail. Additionally, a person's hunting and fishing licenses may be revoked or suspended. In addition, no person may possess a shotgun and buckshot or slugs while in the field with dogs on another person's land during an open deer season in Angelina, Hardin, Jasper, Nacogdoches, Newton, Orange, Sabine, San Augustine, Shelby, and Tyler counties.
  - Not more than two dogs may be used to trail a wounded deer in counties not listed above. A "**wounded deer**" is a deer leaving a blood trail.
- Pheasant may not be hunted by means of a cable, chain, or rope connected to or between a moving object or objects.
- **Aircraft** may not be used to hunt any animal or bird unless authorized by the department.
- See County Listings for additional regulations (pgs. 76-99).

LEGAL Methods

- Animals and game birds not classified as migratory may be hunted from a motor vehicle, powerboat, sailboat, or from any other floating device within the boundaries of private property or upon private water. Migratory game birds under certain circumstances may be hunted from a boat on public water. See the migratory game bird section for the exceptions (pg. 69, Lawful Hunting Means and Methods).
- **Calling devices** (including manual and mouth-operated), recordings, and electrically amplified calls may be used to hunt game animals and game birds, except electronic calls may not be used to hunt migratory game birds, unless allowed by special regulation.
- **Decoys** may be used to hunt game animals and game birds, except that no person may use live decoys when hunting migratory birds.
- **Baiting** for game animals, nongame animals, and game birds is lawful on private property, except for turkey in certain East Texas counties (see pg. 67) and migratory game birds statewide.
- **Trapping** may be used for nongame/exotic animals (e.g., feral hogs, rabbits, etc.) on private property.
- **Dogs** may be used to aid in the hunting of any game bird.

TAGGING DEER OR TURKEY

Filling Out the Tag for Attaching to Deer or Turkey

If required, the tag from the hunting license of the person who killed the deer or turkey must be correctly and legibly completed (including name of property and county) and must:

- be used on a specific type of deer or turkey (for example, buck tags must be used only on buck deer, antlerless tags on antlerless deer, etc.).
- have the month and date of kill **CUT OUT**.

It is against the law to use:

- a tag taken from the license of another person or allow your tag to be used by another person.
- a tag more than one time (or on more than one deer or turkey).
- an incorrect tag on a deer or turkey (example: mule deer tag used on a white-tailed deer, etc.).

Where to Attach Tag to Deer or Turkey

The hunting license tag may be attached anywhere on a deer or turkey so that it is not damaged, defaced, or lost in transporting or handling. For deer, the appropriate tag or applicable permit must remain attached to the deer until the deer reaches its final destination and is quartered. If the animal is a deer and the head is severed from the carcass (body), then the appropriate tag or applicable permit must remain attached to the carcass. See Proof of Sex section, pg. 61. If the head does not accompany the carcass, then the head

must be accompanied by a Wildlife Resource Document (WRD). See Transfer of Wildlife Resources, pg. 27. For turkey, the applicable tag must remain attached until the turkey reaches its final destination and is finally processed.

TIP: Remember that if the head and the carcass are separated, the tag from the hunting license goes with the carcass and the WRD goes with the head.

Deer

CWD CHECK STATIONS: Mandatory check station requirements may be in effect for mule deer and white-tailed deer killed in Culberson, El Paso, and Hudspeth counties during the 2015-16 hunting season. The department will also operate voluntary check stations in some areas of far west Texas. For more information, call any TPWD office (see pg. 18) or 1-800-792-1112, or go to **www.tpwd.texas.gov/CWD**

- Except for deer taken under by MLD permit, LAMPS permit, TPWD Special Drawn Legal Deer Tag, U.S. Forest Service antlerless permit, or Big Time Texas Hunt, **all deer** must be tagged **IMMEDIATELY** upon kill, in a secure manner anywhere on the deer, with an appropriate license tag with the month and date **CUT OUT**.

- **IMPORTANT: TAGS #5 and #6 ARE FOR WHITE-TAILED ANTLERLESS DEER ONLY. TAGS #7, #8, and #9 ARE FOR WHITE-TAILED BUCK OR ANTLERLESS DEER. BUCK TAGS MAY BE USED IN ANY COUNTY; HOWEVER, LACK OF CAREFUL PLANNING WITH TAGS #7, #8, and #9 MAY REDUCE THE NUMBER OF WHITE-TAILED BUCK DEER YOU MAY LAWFULLY TAKE.**

NOTICE: READ THE TAG USE DESCRIPTION ON YOUR LICENSE CAREFULLY BEFORE ATTACHING TO HARVESTED DEER.

Tag Number	USE ON WHITE-TAILED DEER ONLY:
5	White-tailed Deer – **Antlerless ONLY**
6	White-tailed Deer – **Antlerless ONLY**
7	White-tailed Deer – **Buck or Antlerless**
8	White-tailed Deer – **Buck or Antlerless**
9	White-tailed Deer – **Buck or Antlerless**

NOTE: The white-tailed deer tags on the license may be used in any county during an open season for white-tailed deer.

Tag Number	USE ON MULE DEER ONLY:
10	Mule Deer – Antlerless Only Valid **ONLY** during archery-only special season in Brewster, Pecos, or Terrell counties
11	Mule Deer – Buck or Antlerless Valid for buck deer in any county during any open mule deer season AND for antlerless deer during archery-only special season in Brewster, Pecos, or Terrell counties

NOTE: The mule deer tags on the hunting license **ARE NOT** mule deer permits and **MAY NOT** be used in lieu of mule deer permits when mule deer permits are required.

HUNTING LICENSE HARVEST LOG FOR WHITE-TAILED DEER (ON BACK OF LICENSE)

Sample License Log:

CUT OUT TAG DATE

WHITE-TAILED DEER LOG (PRINT USING INK ONLY)

Whitetail Only	County Name	Property Name	Date
Antlerless Only ☐			/ /
Antlerless Only ☐			/ /
Antlerless ☐ Buck ☐ *			/ /
Antlerless ☐ Buck ☐ *			/ /
Antlerless ☐ Buck ☐ *			/ /

*Check this box (*) above, in addition to the "buck" box, if the buck has **a 13" or greater inside antler spread**, and was harvested in one of the antler restriction counties. See Outdoor Annual for county regulations.

TEXAS PARKS & WILDLIFE

Attach Federal Waterfowl Stamp Here

x_____

Signature required NO REFUNDS

(MONTH AND DATE MUST BE CUT OUT)

- **Immediately upon kill of a white-tailed deer the hunter must complete the log, in ink, on the back of the hunting license. Failure to complete the log as required may result in a fine not to exceed $500 for each deer improperly logged.** Asterisks indicate bucks with an inside main beam spread of at least 13 inches.
- **Completion of the log is not required for mule deer, or for white-tailed deer or mule deer lawfully taken under a MLD permit, LAMPS permit, TPWD Special Drawn Public Hunt permit, U.S. Forest Service antlerless permit, or on a Big Time Texas Hunt.**

- **WHITE-TAILED DEER HARVEST RESTRICTIONS** (as used in County Listings):
  - **MANAGED LANDS DEER (MLD) PERMITS:** Permits issued to landowners with a TPWD-approved Wildlife Management Plan. MLD permits allow hunters, at the discretion of the landowner or agent, to exceed the county bag limit and (in some cases) to hunt during an extended season. **All deer taken on a property for which MLD permits have been issued must be tagged with the appropriate type of MLD permit. NOTE: No license log entry or tag from a hunting license is required for deer killed under a MLD permit (see license log requirement, above).** For more information about Wildlife Management Plans, landowners should call TPWD at (512) 389-4505.
  - **LAMPS (Landowner Assisted Management Permit System):** LAMPS permits allow antlerless deer to be taken in counties where antlerless harvest is by permit only during the entire season or portion of a season. For more information, landowners should contact TPWD at (409) 489-0823 or visit www.tpwd.texas.gov/business/permits/land/wildlife_management/lamps/.
    All antlerless deer taken on a LAMPS property must be tagged with a LAMPS permit. This does not include antlerless deer taken during the Archery Only Season or Muzzleloader Only Season. NOTE: No hunting license log or hunting license tag is required for deer killed under a LAMPS permit.
  - For information about antlerless deer permits on National Forest lands, please call the U.S. Forest Service in Lufkin at (936) 639-8501.

Turkey

NOTICE: READ THE TAG USE DESCRIPTION ON YOUR LICENSE CAREFULLY BEFORE ATTACHING TO HARVESTED TURKEY.

Tag Number	**USE ON TURKEY ONLY:**
1	Rio Grande Turkey – Valid Only in a county for which the annual bag limit is four turkeys
2	Rio Grande Turkey – Valid Only in a county for which the annual bag limit is four turkeys
3	Eastern or Rio Grande Turkey – Valid in certain East Texas counties with an annual bag limit of one (see County Listings) **OR** in any county with an annual bag limit of four turkeys
4	Rio Grande Turkey – Valid in any county for which the bag limit is four turkeys **OR** during the Spring Season in Bastrop, Caldwell, Colorado, Fayette, Jackson, Lavaca, Lee, Matagorda, Milam, and Wharton counties (see County Listings)

PROOF OF SEX

Notice: It is **unlawful** to possess a deer or pronghorn antelope **with proof of sex removed** unless the deer or antelope is at a final destination and has been quartered. Proof of sex for deer is:

- the head (skinned or unskinned) of a buck deer with antlers attached;
- the head (skinned or unskinned) of an antlerless deer;
- the unskinned head of a pronghorn antelope; or
- a completed Managed Lands Deer Permit (MLD), Landowner Assisted Management Permit (LAMPS), Antlerless Mule Deer Permit, TPWD Drawn Hunt Legal Deer Tag, or Antlerless and Spike-buck Control Permit.

Notice: It is **unlawful** to possess a pheasant or turkey (turkey taken in a county where the bag composition is restricted to gobblers and/or bearded hens or taken during any spring turkey season) **with proof of sex removed**. The following is considered proof of sex and must accompany the pheasant or turkey until it reaches its final destination and is finally processed:

- Pheasant: one leg, including the spur, attached to the pheasant carcass or the entire plumage attached to the pheasant carcass;

- Turkey: in counties where the bag composition is restricted to gobblers and/or bearded hens, a male turkey is required to have one leg, including the spur, attached to the bird; or the bird, accompanied by a patch of skin with breast feathers and beard attached. In counties where the harvest of female turkeys is restricted to bearded hens, all harvested hens must be accompanied by a patch of skin with breast feathers attached.

EXCEPTION: Instead of proof of sex, the hunter may obtain a **receipt** from a taxidermist or a **signed statement** from the landowner or the landowner's agent containing the following information:
- Name of person who killed the wildlife resource;
- Date the wildlife resource was killed; and
- One of the following, as applicable: whether the deer was antlered or antlerless; the sex of the antelope; the sex of the turkey and whether a beard was attached; or the sex of the pheasant.

After Killing a Deer (Also applies to pronghorn, except for License Log)

- After a deer is killed and before the deer is field dressed or moved, the appropriate hunting license tag must be immediately filled out and date cut out (See Tagging Deer or Turkey, pg. 59).
- If a deer is taken under a LAMPS or MLD permit, the permit must be attached to the deer (see pg. 59).
- A hunter may transport a deer to a final destination (see Definitions, pg. 54), provided the deer is tagged and proof of sex accompanies the deer (see Proof of Sex, pg. 61).
- A hunter may skin and quarter a deer (two forequarters, two hindquarters, and two backstraps) and possess for transport, provided the quartered deer is tagged and proof of sex accompanies the deer. (See Cold Storage or Processing Facilities, below, for exceptions).
- A deer may not be processed any further than four quarters and two backstraps (example, steaks, hamburger, chili meat, etc.) until the deer reaches a final destination, except for immediate consumption in camp (see Processing Deer, Turkey, or Antelope in Camp).
- The four quarters and two backstraps are the only parts of a deer required by law to be kept in edible condition.
- If any part of a deer is transferred to another person before it reaches a final destination, then the transferred parts must be accompanied by a WRD (see pg. 100).
  The parts retained by the person who killed the deer must be accompanied by a tag until the deer reaches a final destination.

Processing Deer, Turkey, or Antelope in Camp

- You are allowed to quarter a deer or antelope in camp, but tagging and proof-of-sex requirements continue to apply until the wildlife resource reaches a final destination (see Definitions, pg. 54).
- Deer or antelope may not be processed beyond quarters in camp unless the camp qualifies as a final destination.
- While in camp you may remove and prepare a part of a wildlife resource if the removal and preparation occur **immediately** before the part is cooked or consumed; however, all tagging and proof of sex regulations apply to remaining parts and those parts may be transported to a final destination.

Cold Storage or Processing Facilities

A cold storage or processing facility may be established anywhere, including on property where hunting is conducted. It must be a **stationary** facility designed and constructed for the purpose of processing and/or storing game animals and game birds. A vehicle, trailer, or other type of mobile storage or processing arrangement **IS NOT** a stationary facility.

Commercial Cold Storage or Processing Facility

- A person may place and maintain, or possess, in a cold storage or processing facility, lawfully killed game birds and game animals not in excess of the number permitted to be possessed by law, if:
  - the owner, operator, or lessee of the cold storage or processing facility maintains the record book as required by law with the name, address, and hunting license number of all persons placing game animals or game birds in storage, the number and species of all game animals and game birds in storage, and the date each game animal or game bird was placed in storage (information must be entered into the record book before game is placed in storage);
  - the name and address of each person who places a game bird or game animal in the facility, if different from the person who killed the bird or animal
  - tags, permits, or WRDs, when applicable, remain attached to birds until the birds are finally processed;
  - tags, permits, or WRDs, when applicable, remain attached to deer and pronghorn antelope until the carcass is quartered; and
- The owner, operator, or lessee of a cold storage or processing facility is required to maintain game birds and game animals in an edible condition.

Cold Storage or Processing Facility <u>on Hunting Lease</u>

- If a cold storage or processing facility on a hunting lease (see Hunting Lease License, pg. 26) is made available to persons other than the landowner, the landowner's **nonpaying** family members. or the landowner's **nonpaying** guests, then a cold storage or processing facility record book is required. **EXCEPTION:** Deer or antelope that are properly tagged and accompanied by proof of sex may be temporarily placed in a non-commercial cold storage or processing facility on a hunting lease without being entered in the cold storage record book.
- Proof of sex and tagging requirements cease to apply when a deer or antelope has been quartered and entered in a cold storage record book.
- Once a deer or antelope that has been entered in the cold storage record book it may be completely processed.

Private, Non-Commercial, Family Owned Cold Storage or Processing Facility

A cold storage record book is not required for deer or antelope placed in a private, family owned, non-commercial cold storage or processing facility that is not located on a hunting lease.

NOTE: SAVE YOUR TAG and/or PERMIT. After a wildlife resource reaches its final destination and tagging requirements have ceased, the possessor is encouraged to retain tags or permits in order to prevent delay or problems (cold storage or processor refusing to accept meat, etc.). When taking game (meat/head/hide) that you have processed at your home to a commercial processor, simply attach the appropriate hunting license tag or permit to the game.

Taxidermist

Hunters who give any part of a game animal or game bird to a taxidermist for mounting <u>must</u> attach a **<u>WRD</u>** (not the tag from the hunting license or permit) to the part.
In return, for deer, pronghorn antelope, turkey and pheasant, the taxidermist must give the hunter a receipt as prescribed in "EXCEPTION" (see pg. 62). The **<u>taxidermist "proof of sex" receipt</u>** for the part must accompany the tagged carcass until it reaches its final destination and is finally processed. If the **taxidermist** places any game animal or game bird in cold storage, then the cold storage or processing facility record book is required by law. Without the appropriate record book and a WRD accompanying the game animal or game bird, a taxidermist may be exceeding the prescribed possession limits for game animals and game bird. Taxidermy information packets may be obtained by visiting the TPWD website at www.tpwd.texas.gov/warden/forms.

A taxidermist who accepts a deer or turkey shall retain the wildlife resource document or tag accompanying each deer or turkey for a period of two years following the return of the resource to the owner or the sale of the deer or turkey mount to recover taxidermy cost.

Game Animals

White-tailed deer	**Desert bighorn sheep**	**Gray or cat squirrel**	**Collared peccary**
Mule deer	**Pronghorn antelope**	**Red or fox squirrel**	**or javelina**

PRONGHORN ANTELOPE (by permit only)

For all pronghorn harvested in Texas, a permit must be properly and completely filled out and attached anywhere on the pronghorn. Pronghorn permits are issued to the landowner or landowner's agent in most areas where there is an open season for pronghorn (the Trans-Pecos, Permian Basin and Panhandle); however, the department is testing an experimental, **buck-only** season in selected areas of the **Panhandle**. On properties within the experimental areas, hunters must obtain a **FREE** Experimental Pronghorn permit directly from the department or a participating local merchant, not from the landowner. Hunters must still obtain landowner consent to hunt (killing a pronghorn without **landowner consent** is a **felony**, see pg. 20). Additionally, hunters must present the entire head (intact) of any harvested pronghorn at a designated check station within 24 hours of take. For more information on the experimental buck-only season in the Panhandle, including maps of the areas, locations where permits may be obtained, and locations of mandatory check stations, call (800) 792-1112, or visit **www.tpwd.texas.gov/pronghorn**

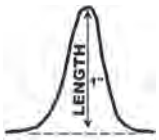
DESERT BIGHORN SHEEP

Desert bighorn sheep may be hunted only by permit. Permits are issued to landowners or their agents in the areas of West Texas where bighorn sheep populations exist. A limited number of permits are also available through the department's public hunting program at www.tpwd.texas.gov/huntwild/public. No person may possess a desert bighorn ram skull obtained after Sept. 1, 2003, unless the skull has been plugged by the department or the possessor possesses proof that the skull was legally obtained outside of Texas. Skulls found in the wild may be possessed, provided the possessor did not cause or participate in the death of the ram, and the department is notified within 48 hours of the skull/horns being found. Individual horns and hornless skulls may be possessed without identification or documentation.

DEER (READ VERY CAREFULLY)

- A "**buck deer**" is a deer with a **hardened antler protruding through the skin**. A "**spike buck deer**" is a **BUCK** with no antler having more than one point. **ALL OTHER DEER ARE ANTLERLESS DEER.** A spike buck must be tagged with a buck deer tag from the hunter's hunting license or applicable permit.
- **White-tailed Deer** – Except for deer taken under MLD permits, no person may take more than five white-tailed deer or more than three bucks (all seasons combined) in one license year. Bag limits in individual counties may be less (see County Listings).
- **Mule Deer** – The annual bag limit is two mule deer with no more than one being a buck (all seasons combined). See County Listings for antlerless permit requirements.
- **SPECIAL ANTLER RESTRICTIONS:**
  - Antler restrictions apply only in certain counties (see County Listings, pgs. 76-99). In these counties, the bag limit is **two legal bucks, but only ONE** may have an inside spread of 13 inches or greater. In these counties, a **legal buck deer** is defined as having:
    - a hardened antler protruding through the skin **AND**;
    - at least one unbranched antler; **OR**
    - an inside spread measurement between main beams of 13 inches or greater (does not apply to a buck that has an unbranched antler).
  - **IT IS UNLAWFUL TO TAKE MORE THAN ONE BUCK WITH AN INSIDE SPREAD OF 13 INCHES OR GREATER IN A COUNTY WHERE ANTLER RESTRICTIONS ARE IN EFFECT.**
  - To determine if a buck has an inside spread measurement of at least 13 inches, look at the distance from ear-tip to ear-tip on a buck with ears in the alert position (see illustration, pg. 65). The 13-inch or greater inside spread requirement does not apply to any buck that has an unbranched antler.
  - Does not apply on Level 2 or 3 MLDP properties.

- **Definition of a point:** A point is a projection that extends at least one inch from the edge of a main beam or another tine. The tip of the main beam is also a point.



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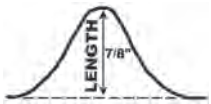

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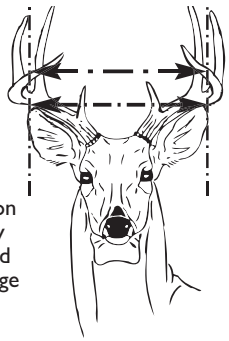
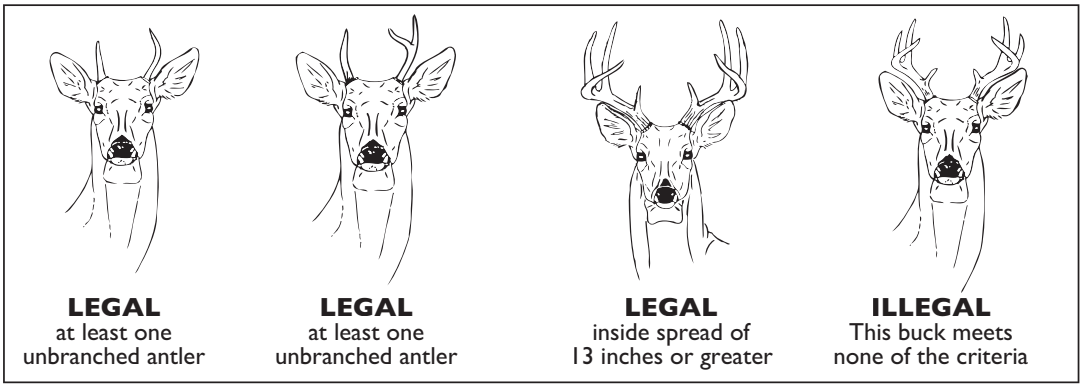


Ears in alert position are approximately 13 inches apart and may be used to judge the inside spread.



- **WHITE-TAILED DEER YOUTH-ONLY:**
  - This does not apply to properties that have Level 3 MLD permits, or in counties where there is no open general season for white-tailed deer.
  - **Age Restriction:** Only licensed hunters 16 years of age or younger are eligible to participate in youth-only deer seasons. Youth Hunting License Required (Type 169).
  - **Early Youth-Only Season:** Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 31 - Nov. 1, 2015. All legal hunting means and methods are allowed, except in Collin, Dallas, Grayson, and Rockwall counties, where lawful means are restricted to archery only (no crossbows except for youth with upper limb disability).
  - **Late Youth-Only Season:** Jan. 4-17, 2016. The season is open in all counties where there is a general open season for white-tailed deer. All legal hunting means and methods are allowed, except in Collin, Dallas, Grayson, and Rockwall counties, where lawful means are restricted to lawful archery equipment and crossbows.
  - **Bag Limits, take of antlerless deer, and special requirements:**
    - In Anderson, Brazos, Camp, Delta, Fannin, Franklin, Gregg, Grimes, Henderson, Hopkins, Hunt, Lamar, Leon, Madison, Morris, Rains, Red River, Robertson, Smith, Titus, Upshur, Van Zandt, and Wood counties, the bag and permit requirements are the same as the period Nov. 26-29, 2015 for each respective county (see County Listings); and
    - For the remainder of the state, the bag and permit requirements are the same as for the first two days of the general season in the county (see County Listings).
    - In a county where antlerless deer may be taken **only** by permit, a permit is required to take antlerless deer during the youth seasons.

  Hunter education requirements apply to all youth hunters (see pg. 26)

JAVELINA (See **County Listings**)
- North Texas: Oct. 1, 2015 - Feb. 28, 2016. Bag limit: two per year.
- South Texas: Sept. 1, 2015 – Aug. 31, 2016. Bag limit: two per year.
- All other counties are closed.

SQUIRREL YOUTH-ONLY – 16 years of age and under.
- **September Special Youth-Only Season:** Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 26-27, 2015 in all counties that have an Oct. 1, 2015 – Feb. 28, 2016 open squirrel season (see County Listings).
  NOT the same as youth hunts on wildlife management areas.

ALLIGATOR

- Except when engaged in hunting, it is against the law to intentionally feed a free-ranging alligator.
- Alligators may be taken under any resident or non-resident hunting license.
- In Angelina, Brazoria, Calhoun, Chambers, Galveston, Hardin, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Liberty, Matagorda, Nacogdoches, Newton, Orange, Polk, Refugio, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, Trinity, Tyler, and Victoria counties ("core" counties), and on properties in other counties for which TPWD has issued CITES tags to the landowner, the open season for alligators is Sept. 10-30. In core counties and on special properties, no person may hunt an alligator without possessing a valid CITES tag on their person. CITES tags in these counties are issued to landowners following a site inspection and evaluation by TPWD. For information about tag issuance and requirements, contact the J.D. Murphree Wildlife Management office at (409) 736-3625.
- **In all other counties (non-core counties):**
  - **Open season:** April 1 – June 30. Alligators may not be taken during this season on any property where alligators were taken during the September season.
  - **Bag Limit: One alligator per person per license year.**
  - Alligators may be taken on private property **ONLY**. Alligators may be taken from public waters by all lawful means **EXCEPT FIREARMS**; however, the person taking the alligator and the taking device **MUST** be on private property.
  - **Tagging:** Upon killing an alligator, a person must:
    - IMMEDIATELY complete a Wildlife Resource Document (see pg. 100), which shall accompany the alligator until it is permanently tagged with a CITES tag;
    - Within 72 hours, complete an Alligator Hide Tag Report (see pg. 100) and mail it to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, 4200 Smith School Road, Austin, TX 78744, along with a $21 hide tag fee (check or money order only); and
    - Permanently tag the alligator with a CITES tag IMMEDIATELY upon receipt of the CITES tag in the mail from TPWD.
  - **Lawful hunting hours:** From one-half hour before sunrise to sunset. Between sunset and one-half hour before sunrise, no person shall set any baited line capable of taking an alligator, or remove an alligator from a line set.
  - **Means and Methods:**
    - Hook and line (line set). **Line sets must be secured on private property.** Hook-bearing lines may not be set prior to the open season and shall be removed no later than sunset on the last day of the season. Each baited line shall be labeled with a plainly visible, permanent, and legibly marked gear tag that contains the full name and current address of the person who set the line and the hunting license number of the person who set the line. Line sets shall be inspected daily and alligators shall be killed, documented, and removed IMMEDIATELY upon discovery.
    - Alligator gig
    - Hand-held snare with integral locking mechanism
    - Lawful archery equipment (with barbed arrow)
    - Lawful firearms. **IMPORTANT NOTICE:** IN CORE COUNTIES, FIREARMS MAY BE USED ONLY TO DISPATCH ALLIGATORS THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN TAKEN WITH A LAWFUL TAKING DEVICE. IN ALL OTHER COUNTIES, FIREARMS MAY BE USED TO TAKE ALLIGATORS, BUT **ONLY** ON PRIVATE PROPERTY. IT IS UNLAWFUL TO TAKE AN ALLIGATOR BY MEANS OF **FIREARMS** FROM, IN, ON, ACROSS, OR OVER PUBLIC WATER. Centerfire **ONLY**; rimfire **UNLAWFUL**, except for dispatch.
    - An alligator captured on a taking device (line set, lawful archery equipment, gig, or snare) MUST be killed IMMEDIATELY. An alligator caught in public water on a taking device lawfully attached to private property may be dispatched with a firearm.
    - No person may employ more than ONE taking device at any time.
    - A line of at least 300-pound test must be securely attached to all taking devices other than firearms.
    - Hook-bearing lines must be attached to a stationary object, **on private property**, capable of maintaining a portion of the line above water when an alligator is caught on the line.
    - A line attached to an arrow, snare, or gig must have a float attached to the line. The float shall be no less than 6" X 6" X 8" or, if the float is spherical, no less than 8 inches in diameter.

- **NOTE: Additional regulations apply and can be found in the department publication entitled "Alligators in Texas," available on-line at www.tpwd.texas.gov, or by calling (800) 792-1112 (menu 5). Alligators may be sold ONLY to a licensed wholesale dealer or alligator farmer.**

Game Birds

All wild varieties of:

Bobwhite quail	**Pheasants**	**Species with no open season:**
Chachalaca	**Scaled quail (blue)**	**• Attwater's prairie chicken**
Gambel's quail	**Turkey**	**• Mearn's (Montezuma) quail**
Migratory game birds (all species)		**• Partridge (includes chukar)**
		• Lesser prairie chicken

MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS

- Dove, teal, gallinule, rail, snipe, and woodcock, see pg. 70.
- Waterfowl and sandhill crane regulations are contained in a separate digest available in October wherever licenses are sold, or online at **tpwd.texas.gov/regulations/outdoor-annual/hunting/waterfowl-regulations**

PHEASANT

- Open Season:
  Selected Panhandle counties: Dec. 5, 2015 - Jan. 3, 2016. Bag limit: three cocks.
  Possession limit: six cocks.
- It is unlawful to hunt pheasant by the aid of dragging of a cable, chain, rope, or other device connected to or between a moving object or objects.

QUAIL – Bobwhite, Scaled (blue) and Gambel's

- Open Season: Oct. 31, 2015 - Feb. 28, 2016. Daily bag limit: 15. Possession limit: 45.

TURKEY

- See County Listings for specific season dates and special requirements.
- **It is against the law to** hunt roosting turkeys by any means at any time.
- **It is against the law** to release turkeys without department authorization.
- **Special Requirements for Proof of Sex:** see Proof of Sex, pg. 61.
- **SPECIAL REGULATIONS for Eastern Spring Season in certain East Texas counties:** Shotgun, archery and crossbows are the only lawful means, no hunting over bait; all turkeys must be checked at a check station or reported to the department via mobile application within 24 hours after they are killed. Harvested turkeys may be field dressed, but must otherwise remain intact until reaching a final destination.
- Turkey Check Stations: **www.tpwd.texas.gov/huntwild/hunt/season/stations**
- **NEW!** You can now report harvested eastern turkeys online. To report a harvested turkey or download the mobile reporting application for Apple or Android devices, go to **www.tpwd.texas.gov/huntwild/wild/game_management/turkey**

All turkey must be tagged with a tag from the hunter's license IMMEDIATELY upon kill, and in a secure manner anywhere on the turkey (see Tagging Deer or Turkey, pg. 59).

SPECIAL YOUTH-ONLY SEASONS. Only licensed hunters 16 years of age or younger may hunt during youth seasons.

- **FALL SEASONS** (all counties with a fall general season for **Rio Grande turkey**):
  - **Early Youth-Only Season (Statewide):** Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 31 - Nov. 1, 2015.
  - **Late Youth-Only Season (North Zone only):** Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 4-17, 2016.
  - **Bag Limit:** As specified for the county during the Fall Rio Grande Turkey season (see County Listings).
  - **Youth-Only Spring Seasons (Rio Grande turkey only):**
    - All counties with a 4-Turkey bag limit: the Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding the opening weekend of the spring general season, and the Saturday and Sunday immediately following the last weekend of the spring general season.
    - Bag limit is as specified for the county during the spring season (see County Listings, pgs. 76-100).

Migratory Game Birds (Early Season)

Nothing in this publication authorizes any person to violate federal laws governing migratory game birds.

A migratory game bird endorsement is required to hunt any migratory game bird, including mourning doves.

A Federal Sandhill Crane Hunting Permit is required to hunt sandhill cranes.

Dove, Teal, Gallinule, Rail, Snipe, and Woodcock

NOTE: Duck, merganser, coot, sandhill crane, and goose hunting dates and bag limits have not been finalized as of this printing. A separate digest containing general waterfowl regulations will be available in October wherever licenses are sold.

Please Report Dove Bands
Please check doves you shoot for bands and report them. The bands are very small and easy to overlook. Previous studies indicated half of banded doves taken by hunters were never reported. **Please report bands online at www.reportband.gov or to the toll-free telephone number 1-800-327-BAND [2263]**

HARVEST INFORMATION PROGRAM (HIP) Requirement for Migratory Game Bird Hunters
No person shall hunt migratory game birds in this state unless that person is HIP-certified in Texas. When you purchase a hunting license, indicate to the license clerk that you intend to hunt migratory game birds during the 2015-2016 season and need to be HIP-certified. The clerk will ask you to answer a few simple questions. **The letters "HIP" should appear on your license to indicate that you have been HIP-certified.**

Definitions

- **Aggregate Limit:** A daily bag or possession limit composed of more than one species.
- **Bait:** Salt, grain, or other feed, directly or indirectly placed, exposed, deposited, distributed, or scattered, that could serve as a lure or attraction for migratory game birds to, on, or over any areas where hunters are attempting to take them.
- **Baited Area:** Any area on which bait has been placed, exposed, deposited, distributed, or scattered so as to serve as a lure or attraction for migratory game birds to, on, or over areas where hunters are attempting to take them. Any such area will remain a baited area for ten days following the complete removal of all bait.
- **Daily Bag Limit:** The maximum number of birds as specified for each species which may be taken during the legal shooting hours of any one day.
- **Legal Shotgun:** Shotguns not larger than 10 gauge, fired from the shoulder, and incapable of holding more than three shells (shotguns capable of holding more than three shells must be plugged with a one-piece filler which is incapable of removal without disassembling the gun, so the gun's total capacity does not exceed three shells).
- **Manipulation:** Alteration of natural vegetation or crops, including but not limited to mowing, shredding, discing, rolling, chopping, trampling, flattening, burning, and herbicide treatments.
- **Migratory Game Birds:** Includes all wild species of ducks, geese, coot, rail, gallinules, snipe, woodcock, doves (mourning, white-winged, white-tipped or white-fronted) and sandhill cranes. Does not include exotic collared-dove.
- **Natural Vegetation:** Any non-agricultural, native, or naturalized plant species.
- **Normal Agricultural Planting, Harvesting, and Post-Harvest Manipulation:** A planting or harvesting undertaken for the purpose of producing and gathering a crop, or manipulation after such harvest and removal of a crop, that is conducted in accordance with official recommendations of State Extension Specialists of the Cooperative Extension Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.
- **Possession Limit:** The maximum number of migratory game birds that can be possessed at any time (three times the daily bag limit after the second day of the season).
- **Sinkbox:** A low floating device concealing a person below the surface of the water. **UNLAWFUL!**
- **Waterfowl:** Includes ducks, geese, mergansers, and coots.

General Rules

NOTE: Hunters are responsible for knowing whether an area is baited or not.

- **Baiting** (the following baiting rules have been established by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service):
  - A hunter **MAY** hunt any migratory game bird:
    - over standing crops, standing flooded crops, and flooded harvested crops
    - at any time over natural vegetation that has been manipulated
    - where seeds or grains have been scattered as a result of normal agricultural planting, harvesting, or post-harvest manipulation
    - over crops or natural vegetation where grain has been inadvertently scattered as a result of entering or leaving the field, placing decoys, or retrieving downed birds
    - using natural vegetation or crops to conceal a blind, provided that if crops are used, no grain or other feed is exposed, deposited, distributed, or scattered in the process
    - **except waterfowl and cranes** where grain or other feed has been distributed or scattered as the result of the manipulation of a crop or livestock feeding
  - A hunter **MAY NOT**:
    - hunt migratory birds with the aid of bait, or on or over any baited area
    - hunt over any baited area until 10 days after all baiting materials have been removed
    - hunt waterfowl or cranes over manipulated planted millet, unless the millet was planted more than one year prior to hunting
    - hunt waterfowl or cranes over crops that have been manipulated, unless the manipulation is a normal agricultural planting, harvesting, or post-harvest manipulation
- **Documentation:** All harvested migratory game birds not in the immediate possession of the person who killed them must be tagged with a WRD (see pg. 100) until the birds reach the possessor's personal residence and are finally processed. If a hunter's personal birds have been finally processed at a cold storage or processing facility and the hunter transports someone else's birds, then a WRD must accompany those birds until they reach the possessor's permanent residence.
- **Emergency Rule Changes:** These rules may be modified to make them consistent with federal regulations or to protect the wildlife resource through emergency action by the TPWD executive director.
- **Lawful Hunting Means and Methods:** Shotguns, archery equipment, falconry, dogs, artificial decoys, and manual or mouth-operated bird calls are lawful. Hunting is permitted in the open or from a blind or other type of concealment or from floating craft or boat provided that all motion resulting from sail or motor has ceased. Sails must be furled and motor turned off before shooting starts. A "sinkbox" is unlawful (see definition, pg. 68)
- **Nontoxic Shot:** While waterfowl hunting, only nontoxic shot approved by the director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service may be possessed. Lead shot is unlawful! For more information, visit: www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/currentbirdissues/nontoxic.htm
- **Species Identification:** Except for migratory game birds processed at a cold storage or processing facility, or doves, one fully-feathered wing or the head must remain attached to migratory game birds while the birds are being transported between the place where taken and the permanent residence of the possessor. Note: Migratory game birds may be dressed for **immediate cooking** at a place other than a permanent residence (e.g., hunting camp). This does not include placing dressed birds in a cooler/refrigerator for later consumption while at a place other than a permanent residence. Hunters are encouraged to leave plumage on all doves other than mourning dove, white-winged dove, and white-tipped dove (e.g., exotic collared-dove) for species identification.
- **Transfer:** A person may not transfer or give migratory game birds to another person while in the field. After leaving the field, a person must have a wildlife resource document for any migratory game bird not in the immediate possession of the person who killed them (see Daily Bag and Possession). Migratory game birds may be shipped, provided a wildlife resource document accompanies the package. See above for more information on documentation. A sample WRD is on pg. 100.
- **Vehicles:** It is unlawful to hunt from or by means of motor-driven vehicles and land conveyances or aircraft of any kind, except paraplegics and single or double amputees of legs may hunt from stationary motor-driven vehicles or land conveyances. It is unlawful to use motor-driven land, water, or air conveyances or sailboats to concentrate, drive, rally, or stir up any migratory game bird.
- There is no open season for migratory game birds on public roads or the right-of-way of public roads.
- **Federal Regulations:** For more information on federal regulations, contact: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 329, Albuquerque, NM 87103. Phone (505) 248-7889 or visit: www.fws.gov/le/

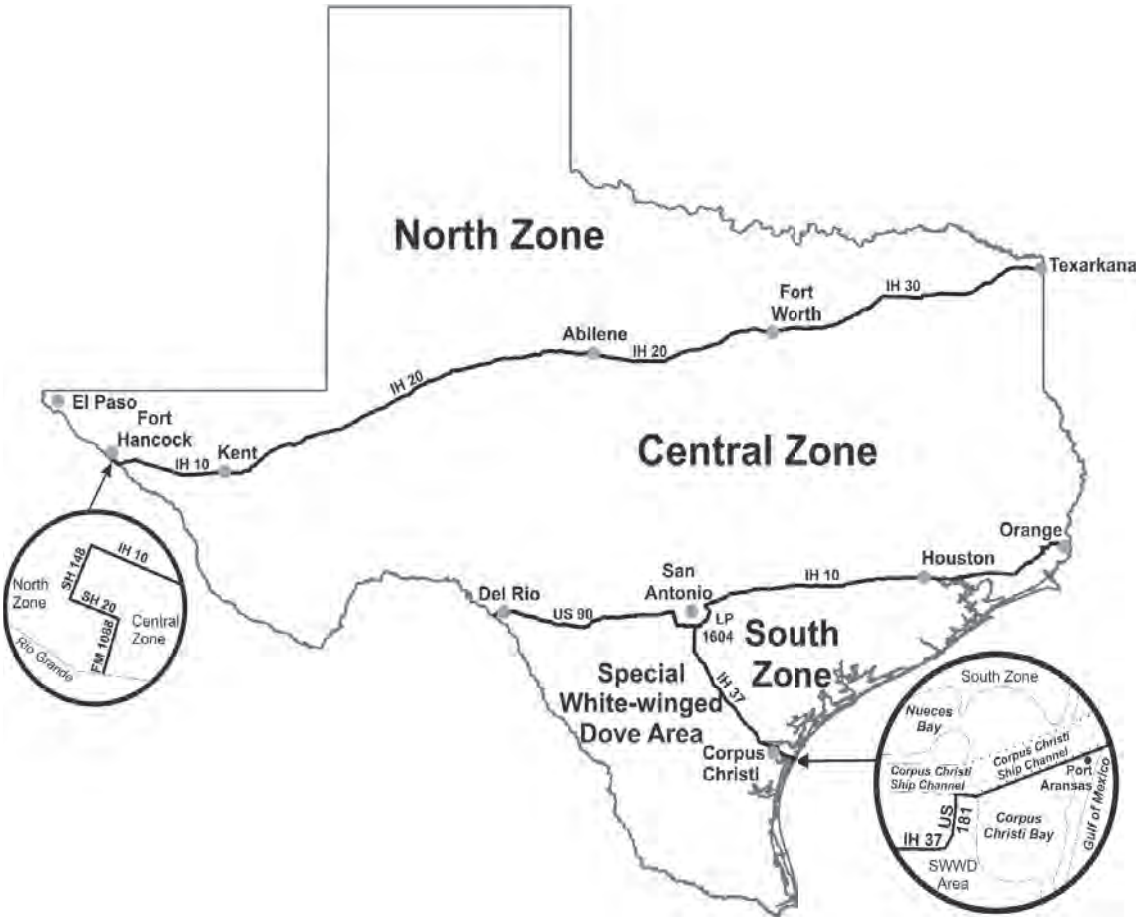
Open Seasons, Bag and Possession Limits (Migratory Game Birds)

- **Daily Bag:** No person shall possess more than one daily bag limit of birds while in the field or while returning from the field to one's hunting camp, automobile, or temporary lodging facility (see Documentation, pg. 69). For the first day of any season, the possession limit is the daily bag limit.
- **Possession:** The possession limit shall apply at processing facilities and until the birds have reached the personal residence of the possessor and are finally processed (cleaned for consumption).
- **Legal Shooting Hours:** From one-half hour before sunrise to sunset. During the Special White-winged Dove Season: noon to sunset. See www.sunrisesunset.com/usa/Texas.asp

- **Doves** (please report leg bands to www.reportband.gov or 1-800-327-BAND): Migratory game bird endorsement required to hunt any doves in any season. NOTE: There is no closed season or bag limit restrictions for Eurasian collared-doves or common pigeons (rock doves); however, it is recommended that plumage be left on these birds for identification purposes.
  - **North Zone: Regular Season:** Sept. 1 - Oct. 25, 2015 and Dec. 18, 2015 - Jan. 1, 2016.
    Daily Bag Limit: 15 mourning, white-winged, and white-tipped (white-fronted) doves in the aggregate, to include not more than 2 whitetips. Possession Limit: three times the daily bag limit.
  - **Central Zone: Regular Season:** Sept. 1 - Oct. 25, 2015 and Dec. 18, 2015 - Jan. 1, 2016.
    Daily Bag Limit: 15 mourning, white-winged, and white-tipped (white-fronted) doves in the aggregate, to include not more than 2 whitetips. Possession Limit: three times the daily bag limit.
  - **South Zone: Regular Season:** Sept. 18 - Oct. 21, 2015 and Dec. 18, 2015 - Jan. 22, 2016.
    Daily Bag Limit: 15 mourning, white-winged and white-tipped (white-fronted) doves in the aggregate, to include not more than 2 whitetips. Possession Limit: three times the daily bag limit.
  - **Special White-winged Dove Area:**
    - **Special Season** *(shooting hours: noon to sunset)*: Sept. 5, 6, 12, 13, 2015.
      Daily Bag Limit: 15 white-winged, mourning and white-tipped (and white-fronted) doves in the aggregate, to include not more than 2 mourning doves and 2 whitetips. Possession Limit: three times the daily bag limit.
    - **Regular Season:** Sept. 18 - Oct. 21, 2015 and Dec. 18, 2015 - Jan. 18, 2016.
      Daily Bag Limit: 15 mourning, white-winged and white-tipped (white-fronted) doves in the aggregate, to include not more than 2 whitetips. Possession Limit: three times the daily bag limit.
  - **Falconry Season (Statewide):** Dove: Nov. 7 – Dec. 13, 2015.
    Daily Bag Limit: 3 in the aggregate. Possession Limit: three times the daily bag limit.

- **September Teal-Only Season** (Blue-winged, Green-winged and Cinnamon Teal)**:**
  - **Statewide:** Sept. 12-27, 2015.
    Daily Bag Limit: 6 in the aggregate. Possession Limit: three times the daily bag limit.

- **Canada Goose-Only Season**:
  - **East Zone only:** Sept. 12-27, 2015.
    Map available at: www.tpwd.texas.gov/huntwild/hunt/season/waterfowl/goose_zone/
    Daily Bag Limit: 3. Possession Limit: three times the daily bag limit.



- **King and Clapper Rails:**
  - **Regular Season:** Sept. 12-27, 2015 and Oct. 31 - Dec. 23, 2015.
    Daily Bag Limit: 15 in the aggregate. Possession Limit: three times the daily bag limit.
  - **Falconry Season:** Feb. 1-14, 2016.
    Daily Bag Limit: 3 in the aggregate. Possession Limit: three times the daily bag limit.
- **Sora and Virginia Rails:**
  - **Regular Season:** Sept. 12-27, 2015 and Oct. 31 - Dec. 23, 2015.
    Daily Bag Limit: 25 in the aggregate. Possession Limit: three times the daily bag limit.
  - **Falconry Season:** Feb. 1-14, 2016.
    Daily Bag Limit: 3 in the aggregate. Possession Limit: three times the daily bag limit.
- **Moorhens (Common Gallinules) and Purple Gallinules:**
  - **Regular Season:** Sept. 12-27, 2015 and Oct. 31 - Dec. 23, 2015.
    Daily Bag Limit: 15 in the aggregate. Possession Limit: three times the daily bag limit.
  - **Falconry Season:** Feb. 1-14, 2016.
    Daily Bag Limit: 3 in the aggregate. Possession Limit: three times the daily bag limit.
- **Woodcock:**
  - **Regular Season:** Dec. 18, 2015 – Jan. 31, 2016.
    Daily Bag Limit: 3 in the aggregate. Possession Limit: three times the daily bag limit.
  - **Falconry Season:** Feb. 1-14, 2016.
    Daily Bag Limit: 3 in the aggregate. Possession Limit: three times the daily bag limit.
- **Wilson's Snipe (Common snipe or jacksnipe):**
  - **Regular Season:** Oct. 31, 2015 - Feb. 14, 2016.
    Daily Bag Limit: 8 in the aggregate. Possession Limit: three times the daily bag limit.

Nongame and Other Species

NONGAME ANIMALS (Includes, but is not limited to the following):

Armadillos*	**Flying Squirrels**	**Mountain Lions**	**Rabbits**
Bobcats*	**Frogs**	**Porcupines**	**Turtles**
Coyotes*	**Ground Squirrels**	**Prairie Dogs**	

- Does not include feral hog (see Exotic Animals and Fowl, below).
- No closed season. These animals may be hunted at any time by any lawful means or methods on private property. Public hunting lands may have restrictions. A hunting license is required.
- *BOBCAT pelts sold, purchased, traded, transported or shipped out of state must have a pelt tag (CITES) attached. A pelt tag must be attached prior to being transported or shipped out of this state. Pelt tags may be obtained from any permitted bobcat pelt dealer, or offices listed on pg. 18. For additional information contact TPWD at (800) 792-1112, menu 7, option 9 or (512) 389-4481.
- Live *COYOTES are currently under a statewide rabies quarantine that prohibits them from being transported or sold in Texas. For information on the rabies quarantine, visit: www.dshs.state.tx.us/idcu/health/zoonosis/default.asp
- *ARMADILLOS: Possession and sale of live armadillos is restricted.
- No person may possess a diamondback terrapin at any time.
- No person may hunt (capture, trap, take or kill) any wild animal or wild bird on a public road or the right-of-way of public roads, except that a person may capture indigenous reptiles and amphibians on the shoulder or unpaved right-of-way of a public roadway, provided the person possesses a valid Reptile and Amphibian Endorsement, the person employs non-lethal means **ONLY** to capture the reptiles or amphibians, the person does not possess a trap, and the person is visibly wearing at least 144 square inches of reflective material, both front and back. No person may use artificial light from a motor vehicle to locate, capture, or attempt to capture a reptile or amphibian.

POSSESSION AND SALE OF NONGAME WILDLIFE

- The take of **ANY** nongame species for commercial purposes (sale, offer for sale, barter, or exchange) from **PUBLIC** lands or waters is **UNLAWFUL**.
- Provided the appropriate permit has been obtained, red-eared slider, common snapping turtle, and softshell turtle may be taken from **private water** for commercial purposes; however, the take or possession of **any other species of turtle** for commercial activity is **UNLAWFUL**.
- Many species of nongame wildlife may be sold, offered for sale, bartered, or exchanged, provided the proper nongame permit has been obtained from TPWD and all reporting and recordkeeping requirements are met; however, the collection from the wild, sale, offer for sale, or exchange of certain species of nongame wildlife is **UNLAWFUL**.
- A landowner or landowner's agent may kill any nongame wildlife other than protected birds and threatened or endangered species (see Endangered, Threatened, and Other Protected Nongame Species below) at any time in any number, provided the wildlife is not taken into possession or used in a commercial activity.

For more information on nongame regulations, permit requirements, and lists of lawful and prohibited species, contact TPWD at (800) 792-1112, menu 7 or (512) 389-4481, or go to Nongame Permits online: www.tpwd.texas.gov/business/permits/land/wildlife/#nongame

"CANNED HUNTS" (DANGEROUS WILD ANIMALS)

No person may kill or attempt to injure a dangerous wild animal (African or Asiatic lion, tiger, leopard, cheetah, hyena, bear, elephant, wolf, or rhinoceros, or any subspecies or hybrid of these animals) that is held in captivity in this state or that is released from captivity in this state for the purpose of being killed, nor may any person conduct, promote, advertise, or assist in the hunting of a dangerous wild animal.

EXOTIC ANIMALS AND FOWL

Exotic animal refers to grass-eating or plant-eating, single-hoofed or cloven-hoofed mammals that are not indigenous or native to Texas and are known as ungulates, including animals from the deer and antelope families that landowners have introduced into this state. Includes, but is not limited to feral hog, Aoudad sheep, Axis deer, Elk, Sika deer, Fallow deer, Blackbuck antelope, Nilgai antelope, and Russian boar. **Exotic fowl** refers to any avian species that is not indigenous to this state, including ratites (emu, ostrich, rhea, cassowary, etc.).

There are no state bag or possession limits or closed seasons on exotic animals or fowl on private property.

It is against the law to:

- Hunt an exotic without a valid hunting license.
- Hunt an exotic on a public road or right-of-way.
- Hunt an exotic without the landowner's permission.
- Possess an exotic or the carcass of an exotic without the owner's consent.

Penalty: A person who violates these laws commits an offense. Hunting exotic wildlife without a license is a Class C misdemeanor ($25-$500 fine). The remaining listed offenses are Class A misdemeanors ($500-$4,000 and/or up to one year in jail).

The Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) regulates the movement of feral swine for disease-control purposes. For more information please call TAHC at (800) 550-8242 or see www.tahc.state.tx.us

FUR-BEARING ANIMALS

Badger	**Mink**	**Opossum**	**Ring-tailed cat**
Beaver	**Muskrat**	**Otter**	**Skunk**
Fox	**Nutria**	**Raccoon**	

- A **trapper's license is required to take or attempt to take fur-bearing animals**, except that a person who possesses a hunting license may take and possess a fur-bearing animal, provided the furbearer (or any part thereof) is not to be sold.
- A department-issued CITES tag is required to be attached to all otters taken and possessed in this state.
- A landowner on their own land or their authorized agent is not required to have a trapper's or hunting license if these nuisance animals are taken while causing loss or damage to agricultural crops, livestock, poultry, or personal property. However, such animals or their pelts may not be possessed or sold.
- Fur-bearing animals may be hunted at night on private property with the aid of an artificial light.
- There is no bag or possession limit for fur-bearing animals.
- For more detailed information about seasons, legal means, and other rules for fur-bearing animals and their pelts, consult the Fur-bearing Animal Digest, available online, at TPWD Law Enforcement offices (see pg. 18), or by calling (800) 792-1112.
- All hunter education requirements apply.

ENDANGERED, THREATENED, AND OTHER PROTECTED NONGAME SPECIES
It is unlawful for any person to hunt (see Definitions - Hunt, pg. 54) threatened, endangered, or protected nongame species. To sell or purchase goods made from threatened or endangered species, proper documentation must accompany the goods. For a complete list of threatened and endangered species, and regulations relating to breeding threatened and endangered species, please call (800) 792-1112 (menu 5).

- **Protected Birds:** Hawks, owls, eagles, and all other nongame birds and songbirds (except for the few unprotected birds listed below) are protected by various state and federal laws and may not be killed, taken from the nest, picked up, or possessed for any reason, and their feathers may not be possessed or sold. Arts and crafts may not include these protected species under any circumstances.
- **Unprotected Birds:**
  - The only birds not protected by any state or federal law are *European starlings*, *English sparrows*, *feral rock doves* (common pigeon - *Columba livia*), and *Eurasian collared-doves*; these species may be killed at any time, their nests or eggs destroyed, and their feathers may be possessed.
  - *Yellow-headed*, *red-winged*, *rusty*, or *Brewer's blackbirds* and all *grackles*, *cowbirds* (does not include cattle egret), crows, or magpies may be controlled without a federal or state depredation permit when found committing or about to commit depredations on ornamental or shade trees, agricultural crops, livestock, or wildlife, or when concentrated in numbers and in a manner that constitutes a health hazard or other nuisance.
- **Bats:**
  May not be hunted, killed, possessed, purchased or sold; however, bats may be moved, trapped, or killed if inside or on a building occupied by people. A person may transport a bat for the purpose of laboratory testing if there is a rabies concern.

BLACK BEARS and MOUNTAIN LIONS
Black bears are protected and cannot be hunted or killed. Mountain lions are not protected and can be harvested at any time. Please report black bear sightings or mortalities, and mountain lion sightings, harvests or mortalities to (512) 389-4505.

Restricted Areas in Counties

It is against the law to:
- discharge a firearm on or across a public road or hunt game animals, game birds, exotic animals or fur-bearing animals on public roads.
- hunt any wild animal or wild bird, including exotic animals, on foot or from a vehicle on any public road or road right-of-way, or a boat on public water, except that migratory waterfowl may be hunted from a boat or any floating craft (except a sinkbox) under certain conditions (see Migratory Game Bird section, pgs. 68-71).
- possess, shoot or hunt with a firearm, bow and arrow, or crossbow on all land area and water in the Aransas and Poesta rivers in **BEE** County; on all of the land area and public water in the state-owned riverbeds of **LA SALLE** or **MCMULLEN** counties; and on all of the land area and public water in the state-owned riverbeds of the Nueces, Frio and Atascosa rivers in **LIVE OAK** County; except for waterfowl hunting on any reservoir (existing or to be constructed) owned, operated, or maintained by a government entity.

- discharge a firearm or shoot an arrow in or on the bed or bank of a navigable stream in **DIMMIT**, **EDWARDS**, **FRIO**, **KENEDY**, **LLANO**, **MAVERICK**, **REAL**, **UVALDE**, or **ZAVALA** counties, or discharge or shoot an arrow that could physically contact the bed or bank of a navigable stream in these counties. This law does not apply to persons fishing by means of archery equipment (special gear requirements apply - see pg. 33) or shotguns loaded with shot, including buckshot. A shotgun slug is prohibited.
- hunt on water of Stillhouse Reservoir or land adjacent to the reservoir owned by the federal government in **BELL** County, except for game birds hunted with a shotgun. A hunter must be 600 feet from the nearest private property line.
- discharge any firearm or shoot any crossbow or bow and arrow on, along, or across the waters of Oyster Bayou in **CHAMBERS** County from State Hwy. 65 south to the mouth of Oyster Bayou in the East Bay.
- discharge a pistol or rifle in, on, along, or across: Lake Baird in **CALLAHAN** County; Lake Texarkana in **CASS** County; the water of the Trinity River, Wallisville Reservoir, and Lake Anahuac in **CHAMBERS** County; the water of the Trinity River or Wallisville Reservoir in **LIBERTY** County; Lake Lavon in **COLLIN** County; Caddo Lake in **HARRISON** and **MARION** counties; and Lakes Daingerfield and Texarkana in **MORRIS** County; except that a person may hunt migratory waterfowl on these waters with a shotgun during an open season.
- possess or shoot a rifle or pistol on or across the water of Murvaul Lake in **PANOLA** County.
- hunt wild animals or wild birds or target shoot on land in **HARRIS** County owned by another without having in immediate possession written consent of the landowner of that land. The written consent must contain the hunter's name, identify the land on which hunting or target shooting is permitted, be signed by the landowner or legal agent for the owner, and must show the address and phone number of the person signing consent. The owner or agent and any person hunting or target shooting with the owner or agent on public or private shooting ranges are exempt from this special regulation.
- use a boat or any other type of floating device to hunt or to access land to hunt any wild bird or wild animal on any portion of Big Sandy Creek in **WOOD** County that is east of FM Road 2869 and within 2.18 miles of FM Road 2869 or between FM Road 2869 and FM Road 49. (Class A Parks and Wildlife Code misdemeanor: $500-$4,000 and/or one year in jail.)
- hunt on Public Hunting Areas without the required permits.
- hunt in a subdivision on lots 10 acres or less in an unincorporated area of a county if the commissioners court, by order, prohibits the discharge of a firearm or the use of archery equipment in such subdivisions. (Contact local county clerk and ask about §235.022, Local Government Code.)
- hunt on any area named as a wildlife sanctuary, nesting, or propagation area.
- hunt in state or federal parks or refuges except as may be provided by special state or federal policies.
- hunt anywhere by means or methods that have been prohibited by county or city ordinance.
- hunt any wild animal or wild bird where legal means (firearms, air rifle, lawful archery equipment) on or over privately owned land that is submerged under public fresh water due to seasonal or occasional inundation or submerged under salt water above the mean high tide line. The property must be posted to indicate that hunting is prohibited. (Class C Parks and Wildlife Code misdemeanor: $25-$500 fine only.)

COUNTY LISTINGS (FOR YOUTH SEASON DATES, SEE PG. 65 AND 67)

ADVISORY: It is the responsibility of the hunter to be aware of applicable federal regulations on federal lands (Forest Service, National Recreation Areas, etc.). The Corps of Engineers (COE) allows hunting on some, but not all, COE properties. For more information, including information on area-specific permit requirements, visit www.swd.usace.army.mil/ and click on the appropriate district office.

There is an experimental season for buck pronghorn in portions of Dallam, Gray, Hartley, Moore, Roberts, and Sherman counties. On some properties in those counties, a free experimental harvest permit is required to harvest buck pronghorn and the intact head of all harvested pronghorn must be presented at a mandatory check station within 24 hours of take (for detailed information, see pg. 64 or visit www.tpwd.texas.gov/pronghorn).

SPECIAL NOTES (PLEASE READ CAREFULLY):

- **WHITE-TAILED DEER:**
  - **NO PERMIT IS REQUIRED TO TAKE ANTLERLESS DEER DURING AN ARCHERY-ONLY OPEN SEASON, EXCEPT ON MLD PROPERTIES; HOWEVER, THE DEER MUST BE TAGGED WITH A HUNTING LICENSE TAG.**
  - **MLD permits:** On Level 1 MLD properties, a MLD permit is required ONLY for antlerless deer. On properties for which Level 2 or Level 3 MLD permits have been issued, **ALL** deer harvested during **ANY** open season **MUST** be tagged with an appropriate completed MLD tag furnished by the landowner.
  - **LAMPS permits: If LAMPS permits have been issued, they are required for the harvest of antlerless deer ONLY during the GENERAL SEASON. LAMPS permits are NOT required for the harvest of antlerless deer during the ARCHERY-ONLY or MUZZLELOADER-ONLY open seasons.**
- **MULE DEER:** The mule deer tags on the hunting license **ARE NOT** mule deer permits and **MAY NOT** be used in lieu of mule deer permits when mule deer permits are required.
- **EASTERN TURKEY:** In counties with an Eastern turkey spring season, there is no fall turkey season.
- **ALLIGATOR:** ALLIGATOR REGULATIONS VARY BY COUNTY, SEE PG. 66.

ANDERSON (PALESTINE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

ANDREWS (ANDREWS)

MULE DEER—General Season only: Nov. 21-29 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck).

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

ANGELINA (LUFKIN)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, no antlerless permit required except on National Forest Service, LAMPS, or MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined). All dogs prohibited.

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

ARANSAS (ROCKPORT)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

ARCHER (ARCHER CITY)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

ARMSTRONG (CLAUDE)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

ATASCOSA (JOURDANTON)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

AUSTIN (BELLVILLE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck

limits apply, antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

BAILEY (MULESHOE)
MULE DEER—General Season only: Nov. 21-29 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck).
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

BANDERA (BANDERA)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

BASTROP (BASTROP)
Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless by MLD permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Rio Grande Spring Season only: Apr. 1-30. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only).

BAYLOR (SEYMOUR)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

BEE (BEEVILLE)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

BELL (BELTON)
Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.
WT DEER—Archery Season (countywide): Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season (countywide): Nov. 7-Jan. 3. East of IH 35: Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined); antlerless by MLD permit only. West of IH 35: Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined). Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

BEXAR (SAN ANTONIO)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

BLANCO (JOHNSON CITY)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

BORDEN (GAIL)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

BOSQUE (MERIDIAN)
Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

BOWIE (NEW BOSTON)
Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-22, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 23-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.
TURKEY—Eastern Spring Season: Apr. 15-May 14. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only). Special Regulations: pg 67.

BRAZORIA (ANGLETON)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, no antlerless permit required except on MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

BRAZOS (BRYAN)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

BREWSTER (ALPINE)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex, no antlerless permit required except on MLD property); General Season: Nov. 27-Dec. 13 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

TURKEY—Rio Grande Spring Season only: Mar. 19-May 1. Bag limit: 4 (gobblers or bearded hens).

PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

BRISCOE (SILVERTON)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

BROOKS (FALFURRIAS)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Feb. 28 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

BROWN (BROWNWOOD)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

BURLESON (CALDWELL)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only); Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

BURNET (BURNET)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

CALDWELL (LOCKHART)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Rio Grande Spring Season only: Apr. 1-30. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only).

CALHOUN (PORT LAVACA)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

CALLAHAN (BAIRD)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

CAMERON (BROWNSVILLE)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).
CHACHALACA—Oct. 31-Feb. 28. Daily bag limit: 5.

CAMP (PITTSBURG)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

CARSON (PANHANDLE)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

CASS (LINDEN)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-22, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 23-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.
TURKEY—Eastern Spring Season: Apr. 15-May 14. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only). Special Regulations: pg 67.

CASTRO (DIMMITT)

MULE DEER—General Season only: Nov. 21-29 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck).
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

CHAMBERS (ANAHUAC)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

CHEROKEE (RUSK)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

CHILDRESS (CHILDRESS)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

CLAY (HENRIETTA)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

COCHRAN (MORTON)

MULE DEER—General Season only: Nov. 21-29 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck).
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

COKE (ROBERT LEE)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

COLEMAN (COLEMAN)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

COLLIN (MCKINNEY)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (means and methods restricted to lawful archery equipment and crossbows only, including MLD property; no antlerless permit required except on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

COLLINGSWORTH (WELLINGTON)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

COLORADO (COLUMBUS)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Rio Grande Spring Season only: Apr. 1-30. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only).

COMAL (NEW BRAUNFELS)

Special Antler Restrictions (east of IH 35 only): see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season (countywide): Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season (countywide): Nov. 7-Jan. 3. East of IH 35: Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined); antlerless by MLD permit only. West of IH 35: Bag limit 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined). Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17.

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

COMANCHE (COMANCHE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

CONCHO (PAINT ROCK)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

COOKE (GAINESVILLE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

CORYELL (GATESVILLE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

COTTLE (PADUCAH)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

CRANE (CRANE)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by MLD permit only). Bag limit: 3 (1 buck and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 27-Dec. 13 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

CROCKETT (OZONA)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only);

General Season: Nov. 27-Dec. 13 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

CROSBY (CROSBYTON)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

CULBERSON (VAN HORN)
NOTE: Mandatory check station rules apply for deer (see CWD pg. 60 or www.tpwd.texas.gov/CWD).
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 27-Dec. 13 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

DALLAM (DALHART)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3. Bag limit: 3 (1 buck and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).
In certain areas a free permit is required to take buck pronghorn and mandatory check station requirements apply.
See pg. 64. or www.tpwd.texas.gov for additional information.

DALLAS (DALLAS)
Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (means and methods restricted to lawful archery equipment and crossbows only, including MLD property; no antlerless permit required except on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

DAWSON (LAMESA)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3. Bag limit: 3 (1 buck and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—General Season only: Nov. 21-29 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck).
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

DEAF SMITH (HEREFORD)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3. Bag limit: 3 (1 buck and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

DELTA (COOPER)
Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

DENTON (DENTON)
Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

DEWITT (CUERO)
Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless by MLD permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Rio Grande Spring Season only: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

DICKENS (DICKENS)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

DIMMIT (CARRIZO SPRINGS)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

DONLEY (CLARENDON)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

DUVAL (SAN DIEGO)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

EASTLAND (EASTLAND)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

ECTOR (ODESSA)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by MLD permit only). Bag limit: 3 (1 buck and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 27-Dec. 13 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

EDWARDS (ROCKSPRINGS)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

ELLIS (WAXAHACHIE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Rio Grande Spring Season only: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

EL PASO (EL PASO)

NOTE: Mandatory check station rules apply for deer (see CWD pg. 60 or www.tpwd.texas.gov/CWD).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 27-Dec. 13 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

ERATH (STEPHENVILLE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

FALLS (MARLIN)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

FANNIN (BONHAM)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

TURKEY—Eastern Spring Season: Apr. 15-May 14. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only). Special Regulations: pg 67.

FAYETTE (LA GRANGE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless by MLD permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Rio Grande Spring Season only: Apr. 1-30. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only).

FISHER (ROBY)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

FLOYD (FLOYDADA)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

FOARD (CROWELL)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

FORT BEND (RICHMOND)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, no antlerless permit required except on MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

FRANKLIN (MOUNT VERNON)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

FREESTONE (FAIRFIELD)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

FRIO (PEARSALL)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

GAINES (SEMINOLE)

MULE DEER—General Season only: Nov. 21-29 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck).

GALVESTON (GALVESTON)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, permits required only on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

GARZA (POST)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

GILLESPIE (FREDERICKSBURG)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

GLASSCOCK (GARDEN CITY)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

GOLIAD (GOLIAD)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season (countywide): Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season (countywide): Nov. 7-Jan. 3. North of Hwy. 59: antlerless by MLD permit only. South of Hwy. 59: Nov. 7-29 (no antlerless permit required except on MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3 antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, North of Hwy. 59: antlerless by MLD permit only; South of Hwy. 59: antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit (countywide): 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

GONZALES (GONZALES)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless by MLD permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

GRAY (PAMPA)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

GRAYSON (SHERMAN)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (means and methods restricted to lawful archery equipment and crossbows only, including MLD property; no antlerless permit required except on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Eastern Spring Season: Apr. 15-May 14. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only). Special Regulations: pg 67.

GREGG (LONGVIEW)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

GRIMES (ANDERSON)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

GUADALUPE (SEGUIN)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless by MLD permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Rio Grande Spring Season only: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

HALE (PLAINVIEW)

MULE DEER—General Season only: Nov. 21-29 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck).
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

HALL (MEMPHIS)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

HAMILTON (HAMILTON)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

HANSFORD (SPEARMAN)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3. Bag limit: 3 (1 buck and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

HARDEMAN (QUANAH)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

HARDIN (KOUNTZE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined). All dogs prohibited.

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

HARRIS (HOUSTON)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, permits required only on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

HARRISON (MARSHALL)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-22, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 23-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

HARTLEY (CHANNING)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3. Bag limit: 3 (1 buck and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

In certain areas a free permit is required to take buck pronghorn and mandatory check station requirements apply.

See pg. 64. or www.tpwd.texas.gov for additional information.

HASKELL (HASKELL)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

HAYS (SAN MARCOS)

Special Antler Restrictions (east of IH 35 only): see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season (countywide): Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season (countywide): Nov. 7-Jan. 3. East of IH 35: Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined); antlerless by MLD permit only. West of IH 35: Bag limit 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined); Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17.

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

HEMPHILL (CANADIAN)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

HENDERSON (ATHENS)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

HIDALGO (EDINBURG)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).
CHACHALACA—Oct. 31-Feb. 28. Daily bag limit: 5.

HILL (HILLSBORO)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

HOCKLEY (LEVELLAND)

MULE DEER—General Season only: Nov. 21-29 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck).
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

HOOD (GRANBURY)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

HOPKINS (SULPHUR SPRINGS)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

HOUSTON (CROCKETT)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, no antlerless permit required except on National Forest Service, LAMPS, or MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

HOWARD (BIG SPRING)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

HUDSPETH (SIERRA BLANCA)

NOTE: Mandatory check station rules apply for deer (see CWD pg. 60 or www.tpwd.texas.gov/CWD).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 27-Dec. 13 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

HUNT (GREENVILLE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

HUTCHINSON (STINNETT)

FEDERAL regulations apply on Lake Meredith National Recreation Area.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

IRION (MERTZON)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

JACK (JACKSBORO)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

JACKSON (EDNA)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season (countywide): Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season (countywide): Nov. 7-Jan. 3. North of Hwy. 59: antlerless by MLD permit only. South of Hwy. 59: Nov. 7-29 (no antlerless permit required except on

MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3 antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, North of Hwy. 59: antlerless by MLD permit only; South of Hwy. 59: antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit (countywide): 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Rio Grande Spring Season only: Apr. 1-30. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only).

JASPER (JASPER)
Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, no antlerless permit required except on National Forest Service, LAMPS, or MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined). All dogs prohibited.
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.
TURKEY—Eastern Spring Season: Apr. 15-May 14. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only). Special Regulations: pg 67.

JEFF DAVIS (FORT DAVIS)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 27-Dec. 13 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
TURKEY—Rio Grande Spring Season only: Mar. 19-May 1. Bag limit: 4 (gobblers or bearded hens).
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

JEFFERSON (BEAUMONT)
Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

JIM HOGG (HEBBRONVILLE)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

JIM WELLS (ALICE)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

JOHNSON (CLEBURNE)
Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

JONES (ANSON)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

KARNES (KARNES CITY)
Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless by MLD permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

KAUFMAN (KAUFMAN)
Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

KENDALL (BOERNE)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

KENEDY (SARITA)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season:

Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Feb. 28 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

KENT (JAYTON)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

KERR (KERRVILLE)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

KIMBLE (JUNCTION)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

KING (GUTHRIE)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

KINNEY (BRACKETTVILLE)
WT DEER—Archery Season (countywide): Oct. 3-Nov. 6; North of U.S. Hwy. 90: General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined). South of U.S. Hwy. 90: General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31 (antlerless and spike buck only). Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (North of U.S. Hwy. 90: either-sex; South of U.S. Hwy. 90: gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: North of U.S. Hwy. 90: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); South of U.S. Hwy. 90: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season (countywide): Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

KLEBERG (KINGSVILLE)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Feb. 28 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

KNOX (BENJAMIN)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

LAMAR (PARIS)
Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.
TURKEY—Eastern Spring Season: Apr. 15-May 14. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only). Special Regulations: pg 67.

LAMB (LITTLEFIELD)
MULE DEER—General Season only: Nov. 21-29 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck).
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

LAMPASAS (LAMPASAS)
Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season:

Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

LA SALLE (COTULLA)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

LAVACA (HALLETTSVILLE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless by MLD permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Rio Grande Spring Season only: Apr. 1-30. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only).

LEE (GIDDINGS)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless by MLD permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Rio Grande Spring Season only: Apr. 1-30. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only).

LEON (CENTERVILLE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

LIBERTY (LIBERTY)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

LIMESTONE (GROESBECK)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

LIPSCOMB (LIPSCOMB)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

LIVE OAK (GEORGE WEST)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

LLANO (LLANO)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

LOVING (MENTONE)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by MLD permit only). Bag limit: 3 (1 buck and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 27-Dec. 13 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

LUBBOCK (LUBBOCK)

MULE DEER—General Season only: Nov. 21-29 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck).

PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

LYNN (TAHOKA)

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

MADISON (MADISONVILLE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2

antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

MARION (JEFFERSON)
Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-22, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 23-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.
TURKEY—Eastern Spring Season: Apr. 15-May 14. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only). Special Regulations: pg 67.

MARTIN (STANTON)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3. Bag limit: 3 (1 buck and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—General Season only: Nov. 21-29 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

MASON (MASON)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

MATAGORDA (BAY CITY)
Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, no antlerless permit required except on MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

MAVERICK (EAGLE PASS)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

MCCULLOCH (BRADY)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

MCLENNAN (WACO)
Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

MCMULLEN (TILDEN)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

MEDINA (HONDO)
WT DEER—Archery Season (countywide): Oct. 3-Nov. 6; North of U.S. Hwy. 90: General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined). South of U.S. Hwy. 90: General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (North of U.S. Hwy. 90: either sex; South of U.S. Hwy. 90: gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: North of U.S. Hwy. 90: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); South of U.S. Hwy. 90: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season (countywide): Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

MENARD (MENARD)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

MIDLAND (MIDLAND)
WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by MLD permit only). Bag limit: 3 (1 buck and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 27-Dec. 13 (antlerless by permit

only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

MILAM (CAMERON)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Rio Grande Spring Season only: Apr. 1-30. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only).

MILLS (GOLDTHWAITE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

MITCHELL (COLORADO CITY)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

MONTAGUE (MONTAGUE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined). **On USFS land, antlerless may be taken without a permit, but only during archery and youth-only seasons and from Nov. 26-29. The USFS no longer issues permits.**

MONTGOMERY (CONROE)

Annual Public Hunting Permit is required for all hunting in the Sam Houston National Forest. Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, no antlerless permit required except on National Forest Service, LAMPS, or MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

MOORE (DUMAS)

FEDERAL regulations apply on Lake Meredith National Recreation Area.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3. Bag limit: 3 (1 buck and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).
In certain areas a free permit is required to take buck pronghorn and mandatory check station requirements apply.
See pg. 64. or www.tpwd.texas.gov for additional information.

MORRIS (DAINGERFIELD)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

MOTLEY (MATADOR)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

NACOGDOCHES (NACOGDOCHES)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-22, no antlerless permit required except on National Forest Service, LAMPS, or MLD property; Nov. 23-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined). All dogs prohibited.
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.
TURKEY—Eastern Spring Season: Apr. 15-May 14. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only). Special Regulations: pg 67.

NAVARRO (CORSICANA)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

NEWTON (NEWTON)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, no antlerless permit required except on National Forest Service, LAMPS, or MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined). All dogs prohibited.

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

TURKEY—Eastern Spring Season: Apr. 15-May 14. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only). Special Regulations: pg 67.

NOLAN (SWEETWATER)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

NUECES (CORPUS CHRISTI)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

OCHILTREE (PERRYTON)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

OLDHAM (VEGA)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3. Bag limit: 3 (1 buck and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

ORANGE (ORANGE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined). All dogs prohibited.

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

PALO PINTO (PALO PINTO)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

PANOLA (CARTHAGE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-22, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 23-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

TURKEY—Eastern Spring Season: Apr. 15-May 14. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only). Special Regulations: pg 67.

PARKER (WEATHERFORD)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

PARMER (FARWELL)

MULE DEER—General Season only: Nov. 21-29 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck).

PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

PECOS (FORT STOCKTON)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex, no antlerless permit required except on MLD property); General Season: Nov. 27-Dec. 13 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

POLK (LIVINGSTON)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.
TURKEY—Eastern Spring Season: Apr. 15-May 14. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only). Special Regulations: pg 67.

POTTER (AMARILLO)

FEDERAL regulations apply on Lake Meredith National Recreation Area.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3. Bag limit: 3 (1 buck and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

PRESIDIO (MARFA)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 27-Dec. 13 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

RAINS (EMORY)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

RANDALL (CANYON)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3. Bag limit: 3 (1 buck and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

REAGAN (BIG LAKE)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 27-Dec. 13 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

REAL (LEAKEY)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

RED RIVER (CLARKSVILLE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.
TURKEY—Eastern Spring Season: Apr. 15-May 14. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only). Special Regulations: pg 67.

REEVES (PECOS)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 27-Dec. 13 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

REFUGIO (REFUGIO)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or

bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

ROBERTS (MIAMI)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

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ROBERTSON (FRANKLIN)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

ROCKWALL (ROCKWALL)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (means and methods restricted to lawful archery equipment and crossbows only, including MLD property; no antlerless permit required except on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

RUNNELS (BALLINGER)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

RUSK (HENDERSON)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-22, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 23-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

SABINE (HEMPHILL)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-22, no antlerless permit required except on National Forest Service, LAMPS, or MLD property; Nov. 23-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined). All dogs prohibited.

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

TURKEY—Eastern Spring Season: Apr. 15-May 14. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only). Special Regulations: pg 67.

SAN AUGUSTINE (SAN AUGUSTINE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-22, no antlerless permit required except on National Forest Service, LAMPS, or MLD property; Nov. 23-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined). All dogs prohibited.

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

TURKEY—Eastern Spring Season: Apr. 15-May 14. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only). Special Regulations: pg 67.

SAN JACINTO (COLDSPRING)

Annual Public Hunting Permit is required for all hunting in the Sam Houston National Forest. Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, no antlerless permit required except on National Forest Service, LAMPS, or MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless by permit only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

SAN PATRICIO (SINTON)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

SAN SABA (SAN SABA)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

SCHLEICHER (ELDORADO)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

SCURRY (SNYDER)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

SHACKELFORD (ALBANY)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

SHELBY (CENTER)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-22, no antlerless permit required except on National Forest Service, LAMPS, or MLD property; Nov. 23-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined). All dogs prohibited.

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

SHERMAN (STRATFORD)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3. Bag limit: 3 (1 buck and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

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SMITH (TYLER)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

SOMERVELL (GLEN ROSE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

STARR (RIO GRANDE CITY)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

CHACHALACA—Oct. 31-Feb. 28. Daily bag limit: 5.

STEPHENS (BRECKENRIDGE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

STERLING (STERLING CITY)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

STONEWALL (ASPERMONT)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

SUTTON (SONORA)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

SWISHER (TULIA)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3. Bag limit: 3 (1 buck and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

TARRANT (FORT WORTH)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

TAYLOR (ABILENE)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

TERRELL (SANDERSON)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex, no antlerless permit required except on MLD property); General Season: Nov. 27-Dec. 13 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

TERRY (BROWNFIELD)

MULE DEER—General Season only: Nov. 21-29 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck).

PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

THROCKMORTON (THROCKMORTON)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

TITUS (MOUNT PLEASANT)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

TOM GREEN (SAN ANGELO)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

TRAVIS (AUSTIN)

Special Antler Restrictions (east of IH 35 only): see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season (countywide): Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season (countywide): Nov. 7-Jan. 3. East of IH 35: Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined); antlerless by MLD permit only. West of IH 35: Bag limit 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined); Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

TRINITY (GROVETON)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, no antlerless permit required except on National Forest Service, LAMPS, or MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

TYLER (WOODVILLE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, no antlerless permit required

except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined). All dogs prohibited.

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

UPSHUR (GILMER)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

TURKEY—Eastern Spring Season: Apr. 15-May 14. Bag limit: 1 (gobblers only). Special Regulations: pg 67.

UPTON (RANKIN)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 27-Dec. 13 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

UVALDE (UVALDE)

WT DEER—Archery Season (countywide): Oct. 3-Nov. 6; North of U.S. Hwy. 90: General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined). South of U.S. Hwy. 90: General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (North of U.S. Hwy. 90: either sex; South of U.S. Hwy. 90: gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: North of U.S. Hwy. 90: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); South of U.S. Hwy. 90: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season (countywide): Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

VAL VERDE (DEL RIO)

WT DEER—Archery Season (countywide): Oct. 3-Nov. 6; North of U.S. Hwy. 90 and that portion located both south of U.S. Hwy. 90 and west of Spur 239/277 S: General Season: General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined). Remainder of the county: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31.Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 27-Dec. 13 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (North of U.S. Hwy. 90 and that portion located south of U.S. Hwy. 90 and west of Spur 239/277 S: either sex. Remainder of county: gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: North of U.S. Hwy. 90 and that portion located south of U.S. Hwy. 90 and west of Spur 239/277 S: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Remainder of the county: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season (countywide): Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

VAN ZANDT (CANTON)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

VICTORIA (VICTORIA)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season (countywide): Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season (countywide): Nov. 7-Jan. 3 North of Hwy. 59: antlerless by MLD permit only. South of Hwy. 59: Nov. 7-29 (no antlerless permit required except on MLD property; Nov. 3-Jan. 3 antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, North of Hwy. 59: antlerless by MLD permit only; South of Hwy. 59: antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit (countywide): 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Rio Grande Spring Season only: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

WALKER (HUNTSVILLE)

Annual Public Hunting Permit is required for all hunting in the Sam Houston National Forest. Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 7-29, no antlerless permit required except on National Forest Service, LAMPS, or MLD property; Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

WALLER (HEMPSTEAD)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless by MLD permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

WARD (MONAHANS)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by MLD permit only). Bag limit: 3 (1 buck and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 27-Dec. 13 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

WASHINGTON (BRENHAM)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless by MLD permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

WEBB (LAREDO)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

WHARTON (WHARTON)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season (countywide): Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season (countywide): Nov. 7-Jan. 3 North of Hwy. 59: antlerless by MLD permit only. South of Hwy. 59: Nov. 7-29 (no antlerless permit required except on MLD property; Nov. 3-Jan. 3 antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, North of Hwy. 59: antlerless by MLD permit only; South of Hwy. 59: antlerless permit required only on MLD property). Bag limit (countywide): 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

WHEELER (WHEELER)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 21-Dec. 6 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).
PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

WICHITA (WICHITA FALLS)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

WILBARGER (VERNON)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
PHEASANT—Dec. 5-Jan. 3. Daily bag limit: 3 cocks.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

WILLACY (RAYMONDVILLE)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Feb. 28 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).
CHACHALACA—Oct. 31-Feb. 28. Daily bag limit: 5.

WILLIAMSON (GEORGETOWN)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season (countywide): Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season (countywide): Nov. 7-Jan. 3. East of IH 35: Bag limit 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined); antlerless by MLD permit only. West of IH 35: Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined); Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

WILSON (FLORESVILLE)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (antlerless by MLD permit only); Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 4-17 (general season buck limits apply, antlerless by MLD permit only). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.
TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

WINKLER (KERMIT)

MULE DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (buck only); General Season: Nov. 27-Dec. 13 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck, all seasons combined).
JAVELINA—Oct. 1-Feb. 28. Bag limit: 2 per season.

WISE (DECATUR)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined). **On USFS land, antlerless may be taken without a permit, but only during archery and youth-only seasons and from Nov. 26-29. The USFS no longer issues permits.**

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

WOOD (QUITMAN)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (Nov. 26-29, no antlerless permit required except on LAMPS or MLD property; Nov. 7-25 and Nov. 30-Jan. 3, antlerless by LAMPS or MLD permit only - countywide). Bag limit: 4 (2 bucks and 2 antlerless, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—Oct. 1-Feb. 28 and May 1-31. Daily bag limit: 10.

YOAKUM (PLAINS)

MULE DEER—General Season only: Nov. 21-29 (antlerless by permit only). Bag limit: 2 (no more than 1 buck).

PRONGHORN—Oct. 3-11. Bag limit: 1 (by permit only).

YOUNG (GRAHAM)

Special Antler Restrictions: see pg. 64.

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 4-17. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 2 bucks, all seasons combined).

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (either sex); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 3 (either sex); Spring Season: Apr. 2-May 15 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

ZAPATA (ZAPATA)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

ZAVALA (CRYSTAL CITY)

WT DEER—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6; General Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17; Late Antlerless and Spike Season: Jan. 18-31. Bag limit: 5 (no more than 3 bucks, all seasons combined).

JAVELINA—No closed season. Bag limit: 2 per license year.

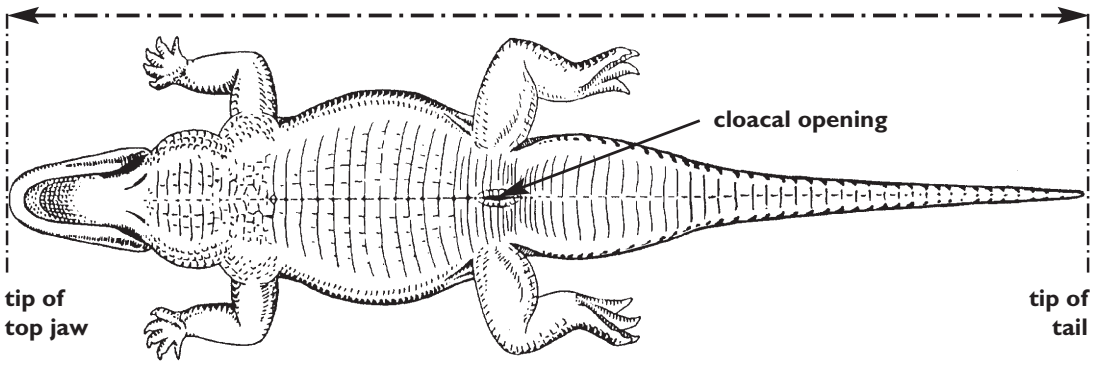
SQUIRREL—No closed season. No bag limit.

TURKEY—Archery Season: Oct. 3-Nov. 6 (gobblers or bearded hens); Fall Season: Nov. 7-Jan. 17 (gobblers or bearded hens). Spring Season: Mar. 19-May 1 (gobblers or bearded hens). Bag limit: 4 (all seasons combined).

Texas Big Game Awards Program

Texas Big Game Awards program exists to recognize the harvest of quality game animals in Texas. The program includes pronghorn antelope, mule deer, white-tailed deer, javelina and desert bighorn sheep. Entries must be scored by a TBGA certified scorer. For more information, entry forms, or to contact a certified scorer, call Texas Wildlife Association at (210) 236-9761 or go online: www.texasbiggameawards.org

How to determine the sex of an alligator: This method is reliable for alligators over three feet. Locate the **cloacal opening**, which is on the bellyside of the alligator as noted in the drawing. This area is probed, males are verified if a penis is present, otherwise your report should note the harvest of a female.Your accurate documentation of measurements and other harvest data is essential for biological tracking. Do not assume that any alligator over eight feet is a male. This is not always the case. **The length of the alligator should be measured on the belly side. Measure down the center of the animal, from the tip of the top jaw to the tip of the tail.**



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ALLIGATOR HIDE TAG REPORT

Name of Ranch/Landowner _____

Harvest Date _____

County of Take _____

Hunter's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____

Hunting Lic. No. _____

Customer No. _____
(12-digit number on hunting license under the bar code)

TPWD USE: Hide Tag No. _____

Sex of Gator _____

Carcass Length (unskinned) _____

Hide Use: ☐ Sale ☐ Personal

Skinning Method: ☐ Belly ☐ Hornback

Method of Take: (check all applicable) ☐ Hook & Line ☐ Archery ☐ Snare ☐ Gig ☐ Firearm ☐ Other

Dispatch Method _____

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION LISTED HEREON IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

_____
Hunter's Signature

NOTE: Failure to **SUBMIT ALL INFORMATION** or enter a false statement in a government record is a Class A misdemeanor or a felony of the third degree under the Texas Penal Code.

Complete and submit to the Department, accompanied by a $21.00 payment for a CITES tag within 72 hours of harvest.

Submit to: Texas Parks and Wildlife Department,
Alligator Program
4200 Smith School Rd., Austin, TX 78744

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department maintains the information collected through this form. With few exceptions, you are entitled to be informed about the information we collect. Under Sections 552.021 and 552.023 of the Texas Government Code, you are also entitled to receive and review the information. Under Section 559.004, you are also entitled to have this information corrected. Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, 4200 Smith School Rd., Austin, TX 78744, www.tpwd.state.tx.us

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Wildlife Resource Document

Refer to Outdoor Annual sections on Transfer of Wildlife Resources, Cold Storage/Processing Facility, and Taxidermist for an explanation of requirements to complete and possess this document.

I, _____, _____
(1) Name (2) Phone

_____, _____, _____, _____
(3) Address City State Zip

give, donate, leave the wildlife resource(s) or parts thereof, listed below to: (complete Sections 4 thru 12), **OR** possess the wildlife resource(s) or parts thereof, listed below, without other applicable licenses, stamps, tags, or permits (complete Sections 6 thru 12):

_____
(4) Receiver's Name

_____, _____, _____, _____
(5) Address City State Zip

_____
(6) Number and Type of Species or Parts

which was killed or caught on _____ at the following location:
(7) Date

_____
(8) Name of Ranch, Area, Lake, Bay, or Stream and County, State, or Country

_____, _____
(9) Hunt and/or Fish License of person who killed or caught the wildlife resource described in Section 6 (10) State

_____ _____
(11) Signature (12) Date

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