

# 2024–2025 Season Dates

Species	Open Dates
<b>Bear</b>	<p><b>Mountain Bear Management Unit</b> In and west of Surry, Wilkes, Caldwell, Burke and Cleveland: *Oct. 5 – Nov. 23, 2024 and Dec 14, 2024 – Jan. 1, 2025 *These dates are contingent on rule proposal approval</p> <p><b>Piedmont Bear Management Unit</b> Alamance, Anson, Cabarrus, Caswell, Chatham, Davidson, Durham, Granville, Guilford, Lee, Mecklenburg, Montgomery, Orange, Person, Randolph, Rockingham, Rowan, Stanly, and Union: Nov. 16, 2024 – Jan. 1, 2025</p> <p>Franklin, Harnett, Hoke, Johnston, Moore, Richmond, Scotland, Vance, Wake, and Warren: Oct. 12, 2024 – Jan. 1, 2025</p> <p>Alexander, Catawba, Davie, Forsyth, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, Stokes, and Yadkin: Nov. 23, 2024 – Jan. 1, 2025</p> <p><b>Coastal Bear Management Unit</b> Zone 1: Dare, Hyde, and Tyrrell: Nov. 9 – Nov. 24 and Dec. 14 – Dec. 29, 2024</p> <p>Zone 2: Camden, Chowan, and Pasquotank: Nov. 8 – Nov. 17 and Dec. 14 – Dec. 29, 2024 Gates, Currituck, and Perquimans: Nov. 9 – Nov. 17 and Dec. 14 – Dec. 29, 2024</p> <p>Zone 3: Beaufort, Bertie, Craven, Hertford, Jones, Martin, and Washington: Nov. 9 – Nov. 17 and Dec. 14 – Dec. 29, 2024</p> <p>Zone 4: Edgecombe, Greene, Halifax, Lenoir, Nash, Northampton, Pitt, Wayne, and Wilson: Nov. 16 – Dec. 15, 2024</p> <p>Zone 5: Bladen, Brunswick, Carteret, Columbus, Cumberland, Duplin, New Hanover, Onslow, Pamlico (use of dogs for hunting bears prohibited in this county), Pender, Robeson, and Sampson: Nov. 11, 2024 – Jan. 1, 2025</p>
<b>Wild Turkey Spring Season</b> <i>(bearded or male turkeys only)</i>	Apr. 13 – May 11, 2024 Apr. 12 – May 10, 2025
<b>Wild Turkey Youth-only Season</b> <i>(bearded or male turkeys only)</i>	Apr. 6 – 12, 2024 Apr. 5 – 11, 2025
<b>Raccoon and Opossum</b>	Oct. 14, 2024 – Feb. 28, 2025
<b>Squirrel</b>	<b>Gray and Red Squirrels:</b> Oct. 14, 2024 – Feb. 28, 2025 <b>Spring Squirrel Season (Gray Squirrel) Private Lands:</b> May 12 – May 26, 2025 <b>Fox Squirrels:</b> Oct. 14, 2024 – Jan. 31, 2025
<b>Rabbit</b>	Oct. 14, 2024 – Feb. 28, 2025
<b>Quail</b>	Nov. 23, 2024 – Feb. 28, 2025
<b>Grouse</b>	Oct. 14, 2024 – Feb. 28, 2025
<b>Bobcat</b>	Oct. 14, 2024 – Feb. 28, 2025
<b>Fox</b>	See “Fox Season Hunting and Trapping Seasons” publication at <a href="http://ncwildlife.org/foxseasons">ncwildlife.org/foxseasons</a> .

<b>Crow</b>	Aug. 2, 2024 – Feb. 22, 2025, June 4, 2025 – July 30, 2025 Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday of each week Crows may also be hunted on Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year’s Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, and Independence Day; except when these days fall on a Sunday.
<b>Pheasant</b>	*Mainland: Sep. 2, 2024 – Feb. 28, 2025 *Outer Banks: Nov. 23, 2024 - Feb 28, 2025 *These dates are contingent on rule proposal approval
<b>Trapping</b>	Oct. 1, 2024 - Feb. 28, 2025

## Deer Seasons

Locations	Type of Season and Dates
<b>Northeastern</b>	<b>Archery:</b> Sept. 7 – Sept. 27, 2024 <b>Blackpowder:</b> Sept. 28 – Oct. 11, 2024 <b>Gun:</b> Oct. 12, 2024 – Jan. 1, 2025
<b>Southeastern</b>	<b>Archery:</b> Sept. 7 – Sept. 27, 2024 <b>Blackpowder:</b> Sept. 28 – Oct. 11, 2024 <b>Gun:</b> Oct. 12, 2024 – Jan. 1, 2025
<b>Central</b>	<b>Archery:</b> Sept. 7 – Nov. 1, 2024 <b>Blackpowder:</b> Nov. 2 – Nov. 15, 2024 <b>Gun:</b> Nov. 16, 2024 – Jan. 1, 2025
<b>Northwestern</b>	<b>Archery:</b> Sept. 7 – Nov. 8, 2024 <b>Blackpowder:</b> Nov. 9 – Nov. 22, 2024 <b>Gun:</b> Nov. 23, 2024 – Jan. 1, 2025
<b>Western</b> These dates are contingent on rule proposal approval.	<b>Archery:</b> Sept. 7 – Nov. 15, 2024 <b>Blackpowder:</b> Nov. 16 – Nov. 29, 2024 <b>Gun:</b> Nov. 30 – Jan. 1, 2025 1-week and 1-day blackpowder antlerless season begin in the second Saturday of the season (Nov. 23)
<b>Gun: Either-Sex Seasons</b>	<b>Introductory Season:</b> First open Saturday of the applicable gun season. <b>Conservative Season:</b> Opening day through the 1st Saturday thereafter of the applicable gun season. <b>Moderate Season:</b> Opening day through the 2nd Saturday thereafter of the applicable gun season. <b>Liberal Season:</b> Opening day through the 4th Saturday thereafter of the applicable gun season. <b>Maximum Season:</b> All open days of the applicable gun season.
<b>Blackpowder: Either-Sex Seasons</b> These dates are contingent on rule proposal approval.	<b>No Either-Sex Gun Season:</b> Second open Saturday of the applicable blackpowder season. <b>Introductory Either-Sex Gun Season:</b> The second open Saturday through the first Friday thereafter of the applicable blackpowder season. All other Either-Sex Seasons: All open days of the applicable blackpowder season.
<b>Urban Deer Season</b> (open in participating cities only; see regulations digest for list and contact information)	<b>Archery Only:</b> Jan. 11 – Feb. 16, 2025