2020 Wisconsin Hunting and Trapping Seasons
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<td>Youth Deer Hunt</td>
<td>Oct. 10 &amp; 11</td>
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<td>Gun Deer Hunt for Hunters with Disabilities*</td>
<td>Oct. 3–11</td>
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<td>Gun</td>
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<td>Muzzleloader</td>
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<td>Statewide antlerless hunt</td>
<td>Dec. 10–Dec. 13</td>
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<td>Antlerless-only Holiday Hunt</td>
<td>Dec. 24–Jan. 1, 2021**</td>
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*Please check the dnr.wi.gov, keyword "deer" for a complete set of dates and unit designations.

▲ This is not a statewide season. More information is available at dnr.wi.gov, keyword: “disabled deer hunt”.

**Open only in select Farmland (Zone 2) counties; see dnr.wi.gov, keyword “deer” for open counties.

### TURKEY

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<td>Zones 1-5</td>
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<td>Zones 6 &amp; 7</td>
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<td>Archery, crossbow, firearm</td>
<td>Oct. 17–Nov. 15; Dec. 10–18</td>
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*Licenses awarded through a drawing. Only bull elk may be harvested. See dnr.wi.gov, keyword “elk” for details.

### GAME BIRDS

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<td>Bobwhite Quail</td>
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<td>Hungarian Partridge</td>
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<td>Ruffed Grouse</td>
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<td>Zone A</td>
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<td>Sharp-tailed Grouse</td>
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<td>Season is under review. Visit dnr.wi.gov for updates.</td>
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<td>Crow</td>
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<td>Early Canada Goose</td>
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<td>Early Teal Season</td>
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<td>Duck Season</td>
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<td>Regular Goose Season</td>
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<td>Woodcock</td>
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<td>Sept. 19–Nov. 2</td>
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<td>Mourning Dove</td>
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All other zones where dogs are permitted:

| Sept. 9–15                                   |                                    |
|• With aid of bait                           |                                    |
|• With all legal methods not using dogs      |                                    |

| Sept. 16–Oct. 6                             |                                    |
|• with aid of dogs                           |                                    |
|• with aid of bait                           |                                    |
|• with all other legal methods               |                                    |
| Oct. 7–13                                   |                                    |
|• With aid of dogs only                      |                                    |

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<td>Cottontail Rabbit</td>
<td>Sept. 12–Feb. 28, 2021</td>
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<td>Northern Zone</td>
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<td>Southern Zone</td>
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<td>Squirrels (Gray and Fox)</td>
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### PROTECTED SPECIES

Hunting protected species—such as badger, jackrabbit, moose and flying squirrel—is prohibited. See Ch. NR 10.02 for more details.
**FURBEARERS**

**Coyote**
Hunting          Continuous open season.
Trapping         Oct. 17–Feb. 15, 2021

**Beaver**
Trapping Only
Zone A (Northwest) Nov. 7–Apr. 30, 2021
Zone B (Northeast) Nov. 7–Apr. 30, 2021
Zone C (South)     Nov. 7–Mar. 31, 2021
Zone D (Mississippi River) Day after duck season closes to Mar. 15, 2021

**Mink and Muskrat**
Trapping Only
Statewide         Oct. 24–Mar. 7, 2021
Mississippi River Zone Nov. 11**–Mar. 7, 2021

**Fox (Red and Gray)**
Hunting and Trapping Oct. 17–Feb. 15, 2021

**Bobcat**
Hunting and Trapping - Permits required
Period 1          Oct. 17–Dec. 25
Period 2          Dec. 26–Jan. 31, 2021

**Fisher**
Trapping Only - Permits required

**Otter**
Trapping Only - Permits required
North Zone        Nov. 7–Apr. 30, 2021
South Zone        Nov. 7–Mar. 31, 2021

**Raccoon**
Hunting and Trapping
Resident          Oct. 17–Feb. 15, 2021
Non-resident      Oct. 31–Feb. 15, 2021

**Woodchuck, Opossum, Skunk, Weasel and Snowshoe Hare**
No season limits, bag limits, size limits or possession limits, but a license is required.

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**GET IN THE GAME!**

**Mentored Hunting Licenses**
Adults and youth who have not completed hunter education are eligible to hunt through the Mentored Hunting Program. Visit dnr.wi.gov and search keyword “mentored hunting” for more information.

**Mentored Trapping Licenses**
Youth age 16 – 17 and adults who have not completed trapper education are eligible to trap through the Mentored Trapping Program. Youth under the age of 16 may trap without a license when under the supervision of a licensed trapper, even if the youth has not completed trapper education. Visit dnr.wi.gov and search keyword “mentored trapping” for more information.

**Reduced License Fees**
Youth ages 11 and younger, first-time hunters and those who have not hunted in the preceding 10 years are eligible to purchase hunting licenses at a reduced fee. Resident hunters who recruit three first-time hunters, trappers or anglers are also eligible for reduced fees.

**Permit Application Deadlines**
Elk                        May 31
Bobcat                    August 1
Fisher                    August 1
Wolf (only if removed from fed. endangered species list) August 1

**Timing of Drawings**
Elk                        Early June
Bobcat                    Mid-September
Fisher                    Mid-September
Spring Turkey             Early January
Bear                      Early February

An otter application will no longer be required for the 2020 season.

To check your drawing status go to gowild.wi.gov

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