A Migratory Game Bird Hunting Regulations Summary

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WHAT'S NEW IN 2018?

Note that the Regulation booklet has been reformatted to consolidate information, regulations and restrictions pertaining to all hunting zones with important definitions listed on page 11

Emperor Geese - a proxy hunt was established for emperor geese. A resident hunter holding a valid resident hunting license and proxy authorization may take an emperor goose for another resident who is blind, physically disabled or 65 years of age or older. Contact your local Fish and Game office for the proxy hunting authorization form and additional proxy hunting information.

25 non-resident hunters may participate in the emperor goose hunt this season in specified hunt areas if they were selected for a draw permit (see page 12).

Edible meat - The definition of edible meat that must be salvaged has changed for swans, geese (including brant) and sandhill cranes. In addition to the meat of the breast, legs and thighs, hunters must also salvage the meat of the back and meat of the wing excluding meat from the wingtip: the wing bones after the second joint from the body (carpometacarpus and digits). Salvage requirements for ducks and snipe have not changed.

<u>New nontoxic shot</u> - The federal government approved corrosion-inhibited copper (CIC) shot as an acceptable form of non-toxic shot to hunt waterfowl.

The 2018 state duck stamp features a photo of a male bufflehead taken by biologist and photographer Declan Troy of Anchorage, AK. Buffleheads are a species of sea duck that nest in tree cavities near lakes and deep ponds and inhabit marine waters during winter. Buffleheads weigh about a pound; making them the smallest of the sea duck species. Adult males are mostly black and white with iridescent green and purple heads which contrast with the large wedge of white behind the eye. The name bufflehead is derived from "buffalo-head" because of the male's puffy head shape. Female buffleheads are brownish to grey in color and have a smaller white patch behind the eye. Known to hunters as "butterballs", the bufflehead is favored table fare. Buffleheads breed across North America's boreal forest and Aspen Parkland regions from interior Alaska to western Quebec, and southward into Wyoming, Oregon, and California. Ninety percent of the population is believed to breed from Manitoba westward. During the winter bufflehead can be found along the Atlantic coast from the Maritime Provinces south to Mexico, and along the Pacific coast from Alaska to Baja, California. Buffleheads feed by diving in open, shallow water for their preferred food of aquatic insects, crustaceans, and mollusks. The North American population of buffleheads has increased since the mid-1950s to roughly 1.4 million. In Alaska, an average of 44,537 bufflehead are counted annually during spring population surveys conducted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. These surveys indicate that the bufflehead population in Alaska has remained relatively stable over the long term. (Much of the information presented here and more information about sea duck populations can be found at the Sea Duck Joint Venture Website - https://seaduckiv.org.)

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LICENSE AND STAMP REQUIREMENTS

Resident Hunters All Alaska residents age 18 or older must possess a hunting license to hunt in Alaska and must carry it while hunting. Resident hunters 60 years old or older may obtain a free, permanent identification card issued by the Department. This card replaces the sport fishing, hunting, and trapping licenses. Disabled veterans qualified under AS 16.05.341 may receive a free hunting license. Residents with an annual family income equal to or less than the most recent poverty guidelines for the state may buy a \$5.00 low-income license.

Nonresident and Alien Hunters All nonresident and alien hunters, regardless of age, must possess the appropriate hunting license. Nonresidents may buy a small game license for \$60.00 or a hunting license for \$160.00 to hunt migratory game birds. Nonresident aliens may buy a hunting license for \$630.00 to hunt migratory game birds.

Nonresident Military Personnel Active duty members of the US military or the US Coast Guard, and their dependents, who do not qualify as residents and who are permanently stationed in Alaska may obtain a special military hunting license at the resident rate. This special resident rate only applies to permanently stationed military with permanent change of station (PCS) papers showing effective date of transfer.

Federal Duck Stamps All waterfowl hunters 16 years of age or older must have a current Federal Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp except:

A **Federal Duck Stamp** is not required to hunt in any season if you are eligible to participate in the harvest of waterfowl and their eggs for subsistence purposes in the spring and summer.

If you are not eligible to hunt in the spring and summer, but are a qualified permanent rural resident (defined by Subsistence Management Regulations), a Federal Duck Stamp is not required to hunt in the fall-winter season.

A state hunting license and state duck stamp is required to hunt in any season, unless you qualify for license and duck stamp exemptions. For questions or clarifications, please contact the USFWS Office of Law Enforcement at (907) 786-3311.

State Duck Stamps: An Alaska Waterfowl Conservation Stamp \$10.00 and HIP enrollment is required unless you:

- · are an Alaska resident under the age of 18
- · are an Alaska resident 60 years old or older;
- · are a disabled veteran eligible for a free license; or
- · qualify for a low income license.

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LICENSE AND STAMP REQUIREMENTS (continued)

State and federal stamps that are purchased from license vendors must be signed across the face in ink and must be carried at all times while hunting waterfowl. Stamps do not need to be attached to a hunting license. State stamps are not required to hunt snipe and cranes.

If purchased online, the state duck stamp will be numerically printed on your license. You can purchase licenses and state duck stamps online at: http://adfg.alaska.gov/.

HIP ENROLLMENT

Most migratory bird hunters are required to enroll in the nationwide Harvest Information Program (HIP). Hunters required to enroll in HIP must carry proof of enrollment while hunting. Your state duck stamp is proof that you enrolled in the HIP and the serial number on the front of the state duck stamp is the HIP number

HIP enrollment can be accomplished by:

- Completing a HIP form at a license vendor when purchasing a state duck stamp.
- Completing the HIP questionnaire when purchasing a state duck stamp online.
 Hunters selected for the National Harvest Survey will receive a letter and hunting record form to keep track of harvested birds. A more detailed questionnaire will be sent later to record hunting effort and harvest during this season. Survey responses are only used for estimating hunter activity and harvest.

For more HIP enrollment information call (907) 267-2159 during business hours, or leave a message.

YOUTH HUNTER EDUCATION REQUIREMENT

In Units 7, 13, 14, 15, and 20:

- If you were born after January 1, 1986 and are 16 years old or older, you must complete Basic Hunter Education before hunting.
- If you are under 16, you must either complete Basic Hunter Education or hunt under the direct supervision of a hunter who has completed the course or was born on or before January 1, 1986.

ONLINE REGULATIONS

The Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations may be obtained online at: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=hunting.huntingregulations

Need a Waterfowl Hunting Guide?

All waterfowl hunting guides operating in Alaska are required to register with ADF&G before guiding clients. If you would like a list of registered waterfowl guides, view or download the current list at:

http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/static/hunting/waterfowlhunting/pdfs/wfguides.pdf or contact the Waterfowl Program at 907-267-2159. ADF&G does not recommend or vouch for any specific guides or businesses.

Illegal Methods of Taking Migratory Game Birds

The following restrictions apply to the taking of waterfowl, snipe, and cranes.

You May NOT:

- Hunt with a rifle, pistol, or a shotgun larger than 10-gauge.
- Hunt with a shotgun capable of holding more than three shells (magazines must be "plugged" to hold two shells).
- Hunt with shot other than federally-approved nontoxic shot.
- Have lead shot in personal possession while hunting.
- Hunt with shot sizes larger than T (0.20" diameter).
- Shoot on, from, or across the drivable surface of any constructed road or highway.
- Use poison or a substance that temporarily incapacitates wildlife to kill any game species without written permission from the Board of Game, or with the use of an Electronic Control Device (ECD) Tasertype device that temporarily incapacitates game, except under a permit issued by the Department.
- Use a helicopter to hunt, transport hunters, hunting gear, game meat or trophies, or equipment used to pursue or retrieve game.
- Take game from motorized vehicles on land, except under provisions for disabled persons in state and federal regulations.
- Take game from a motor driven boat if the motor is running or if the boat is still moving because of the motor. You may use the motor to retrieve a dead or injured bird.
- Drive, herd, molest or harass game with any motorized vehicle.
- Use a machine gun or set gun.
- Wear foot gear with felt soles or other absorbent fibrous material in freshwater streams.
- Use a pit, fire, artificial light, laser sight, electronically-enhanced night vision, any forward looking infrared device, radio communication, cellular or satellite telephone, artificial salt lick, explosive, expanding gas arrow, bomb, smoke, or chemical (excluding scent lures).

FIELD POSSESSION

You may not possess or transport more than the <u>daily</u> bag limit while in the field, or while returning from the field to your vehicle, camp, etc. **(50 CFR 20.35).** You may retain up to stated <u>possession</u> limits of migratory birds in camps, primary residences, principal means of transportation (automobile), processing facilities, post offices, and common carriers.

It is illegal to possess live birds without a permit; wounded birds must be killed immediately. Waterfowl may be plucked in the field but one fully feathered wing or the head must remain <u>attached</u> to allow species identification during transport. See below, 'Additional Federal Regulations' for tagging (labeling) and transporting birds.

SALVAGE OF MEAT

You must salvage all the edible meat of game birds for human consumption. For ducks and snipe this is defined as the meat of the breast. For swans, geese (including brant) and cranes this is defined as the meat of the breast, back, and meat of the legs and thighs (femur, tibiotarsus, and fibula), and the meat of the wings excluding meat from the wingtip: the wing bones after the second joint from the body (carpometacarpus and digits).

USE OF GAME

You may not buy or sell game meat.

MARKED GAME

Animals marked (banded, collared, transmitter attached, web or wing tagged, etc.) for scientific studies are legal game. However, if you take a marked animal, you must notify either the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (907-267-2159) or the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Reporting Marked Birds Is Easy!

You can furnish valuable data on the origin, movements, and ages of ducks and geese by reporting band numbers and collar observations. You may keep the bands and collar and you will receive a certificate showing the date and location each bird was originally marked. Please report bands using the internet:

USGS Bird Banding Laboratory http://www.reportband.gov

ADDITIONAL FEDERAL REGULATIONS

In addition to state regulations, certain federal regulations (50 CFR 20) apply to migratory game bird hunting. For complete federal hunting rules, contact the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Law Enforcement, 1011 E. Tudor Road, Anchorage, AK 99503 (907) 786-3311.

No person shall take migratory game birds:

- With a trap, net, fishhook, swivel gun, punt gun, or battery gun.
- From a sink box providing concealment below the water.
- By the use or aid of live decoys.
- Using recordings of migratory birdcalls or electrically amplified imitations of birdcalls.
- By baiting or on areas reasonably known to be baited. Areas are considered baited for ten days after complete removal of all bait.

Tagging (Labeling of Game)

You must label migratory birds before leaving them at any place other than the hunter's residence or before placing them in the custody of another person for any purpose. A tag must include the number and species of birds, date killed, and address and signature of the hunter.

Transportation and Shipment

All migratory game birds being transported in the United States must have a head or one fully feathered wing attached until they reach the possessor's home or a preservation facility. Packages containing migratory game birds or parts that are shipped by post or common carrier must be marked on the outside with the name and address of both the sender and recipient, and the number of birds, by species, in the package.

Import/Export

Check both specific export limits of other countries and import limits for the United States. One fully feathered wing must remain attached to all migratory game birds being imported or exported until they reach one's home or a preservation facility. No person may import migratory game birds belonging to another person.

If you intend to hunt on private land, always ask permission of the owner and respect the privileges afforded to you by the owner.

NONTOXIC SHOT: A Solution to Lead Poisoning

Nontoxic shot is required for hunting waterfowl, sandhill cranes, and snipe in Alaska. It is a violation to have shells loaded with lead shot in personal possession while hunting migratory game birds. Shot sizes larger than T (0.20" diameter) are prohibited. Nontoxic shot also is required for muzzleloading shotguns. Current federally approved nontoxic shot types include: steel, bismuth-tin, tungsten-iron, tungsten-bronze, tungsten polymer, tungsten matrix, tungsten-tin-bismuth, TNI (HEVI-METAL), TINT (HEVI-SHOT), and corrosion-inhibited copper (CIC). Steel remains the most widely used and extensively tested nontoxic shot in the field. A complete list of approved nontoxic shot is available at:

https://www.fws.gov/birds/bird-enthusiasts/hunting/nontoxic.php

SHOOTING STEEL

Steel is LIGHTER and ROUNDER than lead shot. These characteristics affect both the energy for penetrating birds and the size of the downrange shot string needed to intercept birds. To compensate for weight differences and improve downrange energy, use steel shot one or two sizes larger than the old lead load. Also, more open chokes such as Improved Cylinder and Modified will enlarge patterns and lengthen shot strings to provide more margin of error in elevation aim and trigger timing.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

For information on shotshell performance and shotgun skills clinics, contact Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game, Hunter Information and Training at (907) 267-2373.

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| Proven Nontoxic Shot Loads For Waterfowl & Upland Game Birds ¹ Load Velocity: 1,225 - 1,600 FPS ACTIVITY | Typical Shooting Range of Activity (Yards) | Most Effective Nontoxic Shot Size(s) For Birds Listed Under ACTIVITY At The Distances Listed in The Second Column | Minimum Load Weight (Ounces) | Minimum Pellet Hits Needed on Lethal Areas for Clean Kills | Minimum Pattern Count Needed at Any Distance for Clean Kills (# of Pellets in 30" Circle) | Most Effective Choke(s) (Given in Lead Shot (Given in Lead Shot Shot Pel Choke Designations) | NOTE: The pellets in the steel short loads itsed in this table were traditional, highly spherized ball-shaped pellets of ~ 7.86 g/cc density and 90-55 DPH hardness. The HEVI-Shot pellets were of 12.0 g/cc density and silightly harder than traditional steel pellets. |
|---|--|---|---------------------------------|--|---|--|---|
| Large Geese At Long Range | 50-65 | Steel BBB to T | 1-1/4 | 1-2 | 50-55 | Improved Modified | |
| Giant, Western, Atlantic and Interior Canadas | 50-70 | HEVI-Shot 2 to B | 1-1/2 | 1-2 | 50-55 | Improved Modified, Full | I, Full |
| Large Geese Over Decoys | 35-50 | Steel BB to BBB | 1-1/4 | 1-2 | 50-55 | Improved Cylinder, Modified | , Modified |
| | 35-50 | HEVI-Shot 2 to B | 1-1/2 | 1-2 | 50-55 | Improved Cylinder, | , Modified |
| Medium/Small Geese Long Range | 9-09 | Steel BB to BBB | 1-1/4 | 1-2 | 60-65 | Improved Modified | _ |
| Snow, White-fronted, Lesser Canadas | 50-65 | HEVI-Shot 2 | 1-1/2 | 1-2 | 60-65 | Improved Modified, Full | I, Full |
| Medium/Small Geese Over Decoys | 35-50 | Steel 2 to BB | 1-1/8 | 1-2 | 60-65 | Light Modified, Modified | dified |
| | 35-50 | HEVI-Shot 4 to 2 | 1-1/4 | 1-2 | 60-65 | Improved Cylinder, Modified | , Modified |
| Large Ducks At Long Range | 45-65 | Steel 2 to 1 | 1-1/8 | 1-2 | 85-90 | Improved Modified, Full | I, Full |
| Mallard, Black, Pintail, Goldeneye, Gadwall | 45-65 | HEVI-Shot 4 | 1-1/4 | 1-2 | 85-90 | Improved Modified, Full | I, Full |
| Large Ducks Over Decoys | 20-45 | Steel 6 to 2 | 34 - 1 | 1-2 | 85-90 | I.C. (20-35 Yds), Mod. (35-45 Yds) | d. (35-45 Yds) |
| | 20-45 | HEVI-Shot 6 to 4 | 1-1/8 | 1-2 | 85-90 | I.C. (20-35 Yds), Mod. (35-45 Yds) | d. (35-45 Yds) |
| Medium Ducks Over Decoys | 20-45 | Steel 6 to 3 | - | 1-2 | 115-120 | I.C. (20-35 Yds), Mod. (35-45 Yds) | d. (35-45 Yds) |
| Wigeon, Scaup, Shoveler | 20-45 | HEVI-Shot 6 to 4 | 1-1/8 | 1-2 | 115-120 | I.C. (20-35 Yds), Mod. (35-45 Yds) | d. (35-45 Yds) |
| Small Ducks Over Decoys | 20-45 | Steel 6 to 4 | 1 | 1-2 | 135-145 | Mod. (20-35 Yds), Full (35-45 Yds) | III (35-45 Yds) |
| Teal, Ruddy, Bufflehead | 20-45 | HEVI-Shot 6 | 1-1/8 | 1-2 | 135-145 | Mod. (20-35 Yds), Full (35-45 Yds) | ılı (35-45 Yds) |
| Swatter Load For Wounded Birds | 20-30 | Steel 7 to 6 | - | - | 175 | Improved Modified, Full | I, Full |

This table summarizes Tom Roster's analyses to date of the waterfowl lethality data bases for certain of the 15 U.S. steel versus lead waterfowl shooting tests run between 1968 & 1982 & one steel-only pheasant shooting test plus lethality data bases owned by ammunition companies for birds taken with nontoxic shotshell loads Roster tested for them & the CONSEP organization. Note: Steel #BBB (.190") and HEVI-Shot #2 (.150") have exhibited the best all-around performance for taking geese; steel #3 (.140") and HEVI-Shot #4 (.130") the best

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all-around performance for taking ducks; and steel #2 and HEVI-Shot #4 the best all-around performance for taking ring-necked pheasants.

What Hunters Should Know About Avian Influenza

QUICK FACTS: Avian influenza is common in wild bird populations, but generally does not cause obvious clinical signs of infection. The virus is largely spread through fecal droppings and also nasal and oral discharges. Few bird viruses are able to infect humans, but influenza viruses are able to adapt and may change over time. Some strains of Avian Influenza are considered highly pathogenic (HPAI) because they are highly contagious and deadly to domestic poultry. The few HPAI infections in humans occurred in Asia and were mostly the result of close contact with infected poultry or poultry products.

To prevent contact with influenza and other avian diseases hunters should take these precautions:

- 1. Do not handle birds that are obviously sick or birds found dead.
- 2. Keep your game birds cool, clean, and dry.
- Avoid contact between hands and mouth or eyes--do not eat, drink, or smoke while cleaning your birds.
- 4. Use rubber gloves when cleaning game.
- 5. Wash your hands with soap and water or alcohol wipes after dressing birds.
- Clean all tools and surfaces immediately afterward; use hot soapy water, then disinfect with a 10% chlorine bleach solution.
- Cook game meat thoroughly (165°F) to kill disease organisms and parasites.

TO REPORT DEAD BIRDS

If you find a group of sick or dead birds, contact wildlife authorities. Please leave birds where they are and call as soon as you can.

STATEWIDE (866) 5BRDFLU (866) 527-3358

Anchorage

ADF&G(907)267-2257 USFWS (907) 786-3309 **Fairbanks**

ADF&G (907) 459-7206

Juneau

ADF&G (907) 465-4148

Elsewhere: Your local office of ADF&G, Parks or Refuges FOR HUMAN HEALTH QUESTIONS Alaska Dept. of Health & Social Services (888) 972-6358

IMPORTANT GENERAL HUNTING RESTRICTIONS AND DEFINITIONS

- Migratory Game Birds are ducks, geese, swans, sandhill cranes, and snipe
- All duck species except sea ducks count towards the general duck bag and possession limits. For regulation purposes, Bufflehead, Barrow's and common goldeneyes are included in the general duck bag and not considered sea ducks.
- General duck limits may include no more than 2 canvasback per day, 6 in possession.
- Sea Ducks are harlequin duck; long-tailed ducks; common,king, spectacled, and Steller's eider; surf, white-winged, and black scoter; common, hooded and red-breasted merganser.
- · Steller's and spectacled eiders are closed statewide.
- Residents may take no more than 6 per day, 12 in possession of harlequin ducks and no more than 6 per day, 12 in possession of long-tailed ducks.
- Nonresidents may not take or possess more than 20 sea ducks per season, including no more than 4 each of any sea duck species.
- Geese: Canada geese are any small-bodied (Cackling) or large-bodied (Canada) white-cheeked geese. White geese include snow and Ross' geese

SHOOTING HOURS

Migratory bird hunting is permitted from one-half hour before sunrise until sunset. The tables included in this book (based on U.S. Weather Bureau data) are exact shooting times, starting on Alaska Daylight Time and changing to Alaska Standard Time on the first Sunday in November (November 4, 2018). Shooting times differ by latitude and longitude, and change daily.

If you are not at one of the listed locations, you may estimate times by adding 4 minutes for each degree of longitude West, or subtract 4 minutes for each degree of longitude East of the nearest listed location. Example: if you are in Kotzebue, you are 3 degrees east of the nearest location, Nome. Your shooting will begin and end 12 minutes (3 degrees x 4 minutes) before the times listed for Nome.

Migratory Game Bird Permit Hunts

Emperor Geese

- •Emperor goose hunting is open by registration permit to Alaska residents (see license and stamp requirements on page 3)
- •A resident hunter may register for one permit in multiple hunt areas
- Registration permits are available at www.adfg.alaska.gov, at ADF&G offices, and at licensed vendors in rural coastal villages where emperor geese are hunted
- •Non-resident hunters will be able to participate in the emperor goose hunt if selected for an Alaska draw permit. Alaska draw permits will be issued to 25 applicants. The application period is November 1-December 15 for a hunt the following year. Non-residents selected for a draw permit may hunt in four zones that correspond to resident hunt areas: Units 8, 9, 10, and Izembek State Game Refuge (see Draw Hunt Supplement online at www.adfg.alaska.gov for additional information)
- A resident or non-resident permit allows the harvest of ONE emperor goose per hunter per season; regardless of the number of permits held or areas hunted
- Successful hunters MUST REPORT their harvest by phone 1-800-478-7468 or online at www.adfg.alaska.gov; within 24 hours or 72 hours depending on hunt area (see hunt zone regulations on following pages for reporting periods)
- Hunt areas will be closed by Emergency Order when area harvest quotas are met (see hunt zone regulations on following pages for hunt quotas)

Tundra Swan

- Tundra swans are open by registration permit to Alaska residents and non-residents with a current hunting license in Units 17, 18, 22, and 23 during September 1 – October 31
- •The bag limit per permit is 3 swans
- •A hunter may obtain 1 permit per season
- Permits may be obtained by calling any ADF&G office in the swan hunt Units

Canada Geese

- •A registration permit is required to hunt Canada geese on Middleton Island in Unit 6.
- The permit is available at the Fish and Game office in Cordova and Anchorage
- •The season is open from September 28 December 16
- •The permit has a limit of 1 Canada goose

Falconry

- A falconry permit is required to take, possess or hunt with an authorized species of raptor
- •Total combined limits for all migratory game birds taken by falconry are 3 per day, 9 in possession.
- Falconry permit applications can be obtained online at www.adfg.alaska.gov

Special Use Areas

- A permit is required to hunt migratory game birds on the Anchorage Coastal Wildlife Refuge and the Mendenhall Wetlands State Game Refuge
- •All hunters must have completed a certified hunter education course to obtain a permit
- The Anchorage Coastal Wildlife Refuge permit can be obtained at the ADF&G website or at the ADF&G office in Anchorage
- The Mendenhall Wetlands permit can be obtained online at the ADF&G website or at the ADF&G office in Douglas

| SOUTHEAST Units 1-4 (| see page 11 for restrictions and definitions) |
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| Sept. 16-Dec. 31 | |
| Ducks | 7 per day, 21 in possession |
| Sea Ducks Residents | 10 per day, 20 in possession |
| Nonresidents | 7 per day, 20 per season |
| Canada Geese | 4 per day, 12 in possession |
| White-fronted Geese | 4 per day, 12 in possession |
| White Geese | 6 per day, 18 in possession |
| Brant | 3 per day, 9 in possession |
| Emperor Geese | NO OPEN SEASON |
| Tundra Swans | NO OPEN SEASON |
| Common Snipe | 8 per day, 24 in possession |
| Sandhill Cranes | 2 per day, 6 in possession |

RESTRICTED AND CLOSED AREAS

GMU 1: Mendenhall Wetlands State Game Refuge is closed to hunting, except for waterfowl, snipe, and cranes. No person may use any off-road or all-terrain vehicle, motorcycle, or other motorized vehicle (except a boat) within the refuge. All waterfowl hunters are required to complete a certified hunter education course. Hunters under 10 may complete a course or hunt under the supervision of an adult. Before hunting in the refuge, all hunters must register with the Department and carry proof of registration in the field. Check for local zone closures.

Mendenhall Lake Closed Area is closed to hunting within ¼ mile of Mendenhall Lake, the U.S. Forest Service Mendenhall Glacier Visitor's Center and the center's parking area.

Auke Lake is closed to the taking of waterfowl.

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Gulf Coast Units 5-7, 9, 10 (Unimak Is. only) 14-16 (See page 11 for restrictions and definitions) Sept. 1-Dec. 16 **Ducks** 8 per day, 24 in possession Sea Ducks¹ Residents 10 per day, 20 in possession Nonresidents 8 per day, 20 per season Canada Geese^{2, 3, 4} 4 per day, 12 in possession 4 per day, 12 in possession White-fronted Geese White Geese 6 per day, 18 in possession Brant 3 per day, 9 in possession Emperor Geese 5 Residents 1 per season, by registration permit only Nonresidents 1 per season, by drawing permit only NO OPEN SEASON Tundra Swans Common Snipe 8 per day, 24 in possession Sandhill Cranes 2 per day, 6 in possession

Special Bag Limit Restrictions

- ¹ Unit 15C, that portion of Kachemak Bay east of a line from Point Pogibshi to Anchor Point, limits for **residents** may include no more than 2 per day, 4 in possession of harlequin or long-tailed ducks, and no more than 1 per day, 2 in possession of eiders (king or common). **Nonresidents** may not take more than 8 per day or possess more than 20 sea ducks per season, including no more than 2 per day, 4 in possession may be harlequin or long-tailed ducks and no more than 1 per day, 2 in possession may be eider (king or common). In addition, nonresidents may not take or possess more than 4 each of any scoter or merganser species.
- ² Units 5 and 6, Canada goose season is Sept. 28-Dec. 16.
- ³ Unit 6(D), Middleton Island, Canada goose hunting is by registration permit only. Possession limit is 1 goose per permit; 1 permit per hunter. Permits available in Anchorage or Cordova.

In Unit 9 and Unimak Island portion of Unit 10, Canada goose limits are 6 per day, 18 in possession. White-fronted goose limits are 6 per day, 18 in possession.

⁵ EMPEROR GEESE:

- Unit 9, Izembek State Game Refuge, residents may take one Emperor Goose by registration permit (RO503). Permit available online at http://hunt.alaska.gov/ or at ADF&G offices. Season is Oct. 16-Oct. 31. Harvest quota is 125 birds. Successful hunters must report within 24 hours after the kill.
- Unit 9 and Unimak Island portion of Unit 10, excluding Izembek State Game Refuge, residents may take one Emperor Goose by registration permit (RO504). Permit available online at http://hunt.alaska.gov/ or at ADF&G offices. Season is Sept. 1-Dec. 16. Harvest quota is 150 birds shared with Unit 17. Successful hunters must report within 72 hours after the kill.

Nonresident Emperor goose hunters see page 12.

RESTRICTED OR CLOSED AREAS

GMU 7: Portage Glacier Closed Area is closed to the discharge of firearms within 150 yards of all developed facilities on Forest Service lands south of Portage Creek.

GMU 14: Anchorage Management Area consists of all Cook Inlet drainages south of the Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson military reservation and north of and including Rainbow Creek. Waterfowl may be taken only by falconry, but not in the Ship Creek drainage west of Post Road.

Anchorage Coastal Wildlife Refuge consists of all public land and water south and west of and adjacent to the toe of the bluff from Point Woronzof southeasterly to Potter Creek. Hunting is closed in that portion between the Alaska Railroad and the Old Seward Highway (**Potter Marsh**).

On the remainder of the refuge, hunting is permitted only for small game by archery, falconry, and shotgun. However, shotgun hunting is prohibited in that portion designated by signs between the radio tower at Kincaid Park motocross area and Furrow Creek. Shotgun hunting is allowed only from September 1 through March 31. All hunters on the refuge must have completed a certified hunter education course and carry an annual registration permit issued by the Department. Motorized vehicles are prohibited, except by permit.

Eklutna Lake Management Area: Drainages of Eklutna River and Lake upstream from the Glenn Highway, excluding those drainages flowing into the East Fork of Eklutna River upstream from the bridge above the lake and Thunderbird Creek, are open to hunting for small game by bow and arrow or falconry only from the day after Labor Day through April 30.

Chugach State Park Management Area: That portion of the park outside of the Eagle River, Anchorage, and Eklutna Management Areas is open to hunting under regulations governing Unit 14(C), except that small game hunting is prohibited in the Tokle Creek drainage (Arctic Valley Ski Area).³

Birchwood Management Area: All lands bounded on the south and west by Eagle River and the Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson military reservation, on the east by the Old Glenn Highway, and on the north by Peters Creek, are open to hunting for small game, but only by shotgun, bow and arrow, or falconry north and west of the Alaska Railroad.

Finger Lake west of Palmer is open to the hunting of waterfowl only by archery with flu-flu arrows or falconry.

Susitna Flats State Game Refuge in Units 14 and 16: restrictions regarding use of motorized vehicles and aircraft (for details, see refuge General Permit requirements at www.refuges.adfg.alaska.gov or call (907) 861-3200, (907) 861-2112): a) Refuge Lands: the use off-road vehicles are prohibited except that those weighing less than 1,000 lbs. GVW (including ATVs and snow machines) may be used on refuge lands Nov 9 - Mar 31 provided there is at least a 12-inch snow cover and sufficient ground frost to prevent penetration of or disturbance to the soil surface or plant roots. If operating on frozen waterways the ice cover must be of sufficient thickness to support the weight-bearing load of the off-road vehicle. If operating on the Enstar Gas Pipeline right-of-way, or the marked trails to Figure Eight Lake or Flat Horn Lake, the 12-inch snow cover requirement is waived but there must be sufficient ground frost to prevent penetration of or disturbance to the soil surface or plant roots. b) Aircraft: Landing is prohibited Apr 1 - May 15 in the High Density Spring Waterfowl Staging Area (defined roughly as the coastal marsh seaward of the forested bluff edge).

Palmer Hay Flats State Game Refuge - has restrictions regarding use of motorized vehicles, boats and aircraft (for details, see refuge General Permit requirements at www.refuges.adfg.alaska.gov or call (907) 861-3200, (907) 861-2112):a) Glenn Highway: No off-road vehicles (including ATVs and snow machines) may be used within ½ mile of the Glenn Hwy but are allowed on the frozen surface of the Knik River and Wasilla Creek as discussed below, and on the Rabbit Slough access road. b) Refuge Lands: with the exception noted above, off-road vehicles (including ATVs and snow machines) weighing less than 1,000 lbs. GVW may only be used on refuge lands Nov 9 - Mar 31 provided there is at least a 12-inch snow cover and sufficient ground frost to prevent penetration of or disturbance to the soil surface or plant roots. If operating on the frozen surface of the Knik River or Wasilla Creek, the ice cover must be of sufficient thickness to support the weight-bearing load of the off-road vehicle. c) Cottonwood Creek Trail: may be open to off-road vehicles from late-Aug - Nov 15 only if the department determines trail conditions warrant use. When open, trail is restricted to vehicles less than 1,000 lbs. GVW and travel is only permitted on the marked trail from the western edge of the refuge along the north bank of Palmer Slough to a sign at the end of the trail. All trail users are subject to Special Area Permit requirements. d) Motorized watercraft: are allowed year-round on the Knik and Matanuska Rivers, and on Knik Arm. On Wasilla Creek (Rabbit Slough), motorized watercraft may be used year-round, except that on weekends from July 15 - Aug 15 motorized watercraft capable of producing more than 42 lbs. of thrust or 3hp are prohibited. On all other refuge waters, you may use a motorized watercraft with a motor of 20 hp or less only from Aug 16 - Mar 31.e) Aircraft: landing is prohibited from Apr 1 - Nov 9.

Goose Bay State Game Refuge: the use of off-road vehicles (including snow machines and ATVs) is prohibited except that the use of vehicles off-road weighing less than 1,000 lbs GVW can be used on all refuge lands from Nov 9 - Mar 31 only when there is at least a 12-inch snow cover and sufficient ground frost to prevent penetration of or disturbance to the soil surface or plant roots. If operating on frozen waterways the ice cover must be of sufficient thickness to support the weight-bearing load of the off-road vehicle. For details, see refuge General Permit requirements at www.refuges.adfg.alaska.gov or call (907) 861-3200, (907) 861-2112.

GMU 15: Moose River Closed Area, on and within ¼ mile of the Moose River between the Kenai National Wildlife Refuge boundary and Sterling Highway, is closed to waterfowl hunting. Skilak Loop Management Area is open to small game hunting by bow and arrow during October 1 - March 1. Hunters age 16 or under may hunt small game with .22 caliber rimfire firearms and shotguns only during weekends Nov. 1 - Dec. 31, only in the western portion of the area, and only when accompanied by a licensed hunter at least 18 years old. The youth hunter or the accompanying hunter must have successfully completed a hunter education course.

GMU 16: Susitna Flats State Game Refuge: See restrictions under GMU 14 for details

Trading Bay State Game Refuge and Redoubt Bay Critical Habitat Area: the use off-road vehicles are prohibited except that those weighing less than 1,000 lbs. dry vehicle weight (including ATVs and snow machines) may be used on refuge lands Nov 9 - Mar 31 provided there is at least a 12-inch snow cover and sufficient ground frost to prevent penetration of or disturbance to the soil surface or plant roots. If operating on frozen waterways the ice cover must be of sufficient thickness to support the weight-bearing load of the off-road vehicle. For details, see refuge General Permit requirements at:

www.refuges.adfg.alaska.gov or call (907) 267-2342, (907) 861-2112.

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PRIBILOF/ALEUTIAN Unit 10 (except Unimak Is.)

(See page 11 for restrictions and definitions)

Oct. 8-Jan. 22

Ducks 7 per day, 21 in possession Sea Ducks Residents 10 per day, 20 in possession

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Canada Geese 6 per day, 18 in possession White-fronted Geese 6 per day, 18 in possession

White Geese 6 per day, 18 in possession

Brant 3 per day, 9 in possession

Emperor Geese 1

Residents 1 per season, by registration permit only Nonresidents 1 per season, by drawing permit only

Tundra Swans NO OPEN SEASON

Common Snipe 8 per day, 24 in possession

Sandhill Cranes 2 per day, 6 in possession

Special Bag Limit Restrictions

1 EMPEROR GEESE:

- Unit 10, excluding Unimak Island, residents may take one Emperor Goose by registration permit (RO502). Permit available online at http://hunt.alaska.gov/ or at ADF&G offices. Season is Oct. 8-Jan. 22. Harvest quota is 175 birds. Successful hunters must report within 72 hours after the kill.

Nonresident Emperor goose hunters see page 12.

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Oct. 8-Jan. 22

Ducks 7 per day, 21 in possession Sea Ducks Residents 10 per day, 20 in possession

Nonresidents 7 per day, 20 per season

Canada Geese 1 per day, 2 in possession

White-fronted Geese 4 per day, 12 in possession White Geese 6 per day, 18 in possession

Brant 3 per day, 9 in possession

Emperor Geese 1

Residents 1 per season, by registration permit only Nonresidents 1 per season, by drawing permit only

Tundra Swans
Common Snipe
Sandhill Cranes

NO OPEN SEASON
8 per day, 24 in possession
2 per day, 6 in possession

Special Bag Limit Restrictions

¹ EMPEROR GEESE:

- Unit 8, residents may take one Emperor Goose by registration permit (RO501). Permit available online at http://hunt.alaska.gov/ or at ADF&G offices. Season is Oct. 8-Jan. 22. Harvest quota is 175 birds. Successful hunters must report within 24 hours after the kill.

Nonresident Emperor goose hunters see page 12.

RESTRICTED OR CLOSED AREAS

Kodiak Roaded Area is closed to emperor goose hunting. Roaded area closure boundaries: all lands and water (including exposed tidelands) east of a line extending from Crag Point in the north to the west end of Saltery Cover in the south and all lands and water south of a line extending from Termination Point along the north side of Cascade Lake extending to Anton Larsen Bay. Marine waters adjacent to the closed area are closed to harvest within 500 feet from the water's edge. The offshore islands are open to harvest, for example: Woody, Long, Gull, and Puffin islands.

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NORTH Units 11-13, 17-26

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Sept. 1-Dec. 16

Ducks 10 per day, 30 in possession Sea Ducks Residents 10 per day, 20 in possession

Nonresidents 10 per day, 20 per season

Canada Geese¹ 4 per day, 12 in possession

White-fronted Geese^{2,3} 4 per day, 12 in possession

White Geese 6 per day, 18 in possession Brant 3 per day, 9 in possession

Brant 3 per day, 9 in possession Tundra Swans⁴ Units 17, 18, 22, 23 only

Common Snipe 8 per day, 24 in possession

Sandhill Cranes⁵ 3 per day, 9 in possession

Emperor Geese 6

Residents 1 per season, by registration permit only Nonresidents 1 per season, by drawing permit only

Special Bag Limit Restrictions

- ¹ In Units 17 and 18, Canada goose limits are 6 per day, 18 in possession.
- ² In Unit 17, White-fronted goose limits are 6 per day, 18 in possession.
- ³ In Unit 18, White-fronted goose limits are 10 per day, 30 in possession.
- ⁴ **TUNDRA SWANS**: Tundra swan seasons in Units 17, 18, 22 and 23 is Sept. 1 Oct. 31. Hunting is by registration permit only, with 1 permit allowed per hunter per season. The daily bag limit is 1 swan with a permit limit of up to 3 swans.
- ⁵ **SANDHILL CRANES**: In Unit 17 bag limits for sandhill cranes are 2 per day, 6 in possession.

⁶ EMPEROR GEESE:

- In Unit 17, residents may take one Emperor Goose by registration permit (RO504). Permit available online at http://hunt.alaska.gov/ or at ADF&G offices. Season is Sept. 1-Dec. 16. Harvest quota is 150 birds shared with Unit 9. Successful hunters must report within 72 hours after the kill.
- In Unit 18, residents may take one Emperor Goose by registration permit (RO505). Permit available online at http://hunt.alaska.gov/ or at ADF&G offices. Season is Sept. 1-Dec. 16. Harvest quota is 125 birds. Successful hunters must report within 72 hours after the kill.
- In Unit 22, residents may take one Emperor Goose by registration permit (RO506). Permit available online at http://hunt.alaska.gov/ or at ADF&G offices. Season is Sept. 1-Dec. 16. Harvest quota is 125 birds. Successful hunters must report within 72 hours after the kill.
- In Unit 23, residents may take one Emperor Goose by registration permit (RO507). Permit available online at http://hunt.alaska.gov/ or at ADF&G offices. Season is Sept. 1-Dec. 16. Harvest quota is 125 birds. Successful hunters must report within 72 hours after the kill

Nonresident Emperor goose hunters see page 12.

RESTRICTED OR CLOSED AREAS

GMU 20: Creamer's Field Migratory Waterfowl Refuge is open to hunting and trapping only by advance registration.

Healy-Lignite Management Area is open to hunting by bow and arrow or falconry only.

GMU 20, 24, 25, 26: The Dalton Highway Corridor Management Area (lands within five miles of the right-of-way of the Dalton Highway) is closed to hunting, except that big game, small game, and fur animals may be taken by bow and arrow. Small game may also be taken by falconry. No motorized vehicle may be used to transport hunters, their hunting gear, or game, except that licensed highway vehicles may be used on designated public roads; aircraft and boats may be used in the corridor; and snow machines may be used to cross the corridor to access lands on the other side of the Management Area. Any hunter traveling on the Dalton Highway must stop at any check station operated by the Department within the Management Area.

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