

## Summary of Hunting Season Dates from the 2025 Connecticut Hunting and Trapping Guide

**Game Birds** (see <https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Hunting/2025-Connecticut-Hunting-and-Trapping-Guide/Small-Game-and-Pheasant-Hunting> for limit information)

SEASON	2025 SEASON DATES
Pheasant <sup>A</sup>	Jan. 1 - Feb. 28 Oct. 18 - Dec. 31
Chukar and Hungarian Partridge <sup>A</sup>	Jan. 1 - Feb. 28 Oct. 18 - Dec. 31
Ruffed Grouse <sup>A</sup>	Oct. 18 - Nov. 29
Quail <sup>A</sup> <i>Extended season in some areas.</i>	Oct. 18 - Nov. 1
Crow <sup>B</sup> <i>(Note that the fall crow season dates are subject to change pending a regulations change.)</i>	Dec. 23, 2024 – Mar. 22, 2025 (Mon. through Sat.) Aug. 13, 2025 – Oct. 11, 2025 (Wed., Fri., Sat.) Oct. 22, 2025 – Nov. 29, 2025 (Wed., Fri., Sat.) Dec. 22, 2025 - March 23, 2026 (Mon. through Sat.)
Woodcock - Snipe - Rails <sup>B</sup>	See current Migratory Bird Hunting Guide; State stamp required.
Waterfowl <sup>B</sup> (ducks, mergansers, geese, and coot)	See current Migratory Bird Hunting Guide; State and federal stamps required.

<sup>A</sup> Connecticut Resident Game Bird Conservation Stamp required.

<sup>B</sup> Connecticut Migratory Bird Conservation Stamp required.

**Small Game Mammals** (see <https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Hunting/2025-Connecticut-Hunting-and-Trapping-Guide/Small-Game-and-Pheasant-Hunting> for limit information)

SEASON	2025 SEASON DATES
Gray Squirrel	Jan. 1 - Feb. 28 Sept. 1 - Dec. 31
Cottontail Rabbit European Hare	Jan. 1 - Feb. 28 Oct. 18 - Dec. 31
Snowshoe Hare	Jan. 1 - Jan. 31 Nov. 15 - Dec. 31
Woodchuck	March 15 - Nov. 15

**Furbearers** (see <https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Hunting/2025-Connecticut-Hunting-and-Trapping-Guide/Small-Game-and-Pheasant-Hunting> for limit information)

SEASON	2025 SEASON DATES
Coyote	Jan. 1 - Dec. 31
Raccoon Opossum	Jan. 1 - Jan. 18 Oct. 18 - Dec. 31
Red and Gray Foxes	Jan. 1 - Feb. 28 Oct. 18 - Dec. 31

**Trapping season details are at:**

<https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Hunting/2025-Connecticut-Hunting-and-Trapping-Guide/Furbearer-Trapping-Seasons>

*Turkey, Deer, Junior Hunter Days on next page*

## Wild Turkeys

(See <https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Hunting/2025-Connecticut-Hunting-and-Trapping-Guide/Wild-Turkey-Hunting> for limit information)

SEASON	2025 SEASON DATES
<b>Spring Turkey</b> State and Private Lands	April 30 - May 31
<b>Fall Archery Turkey</b> Private Land (Zones 11 and 12) Private Land (All Zones) State Land Bowhunting Only Areas State Land	Jan. 1 - Jan. 31 Sept. 15 - Dec. 31 Sept. 15 - Dec. 31 Sept. 15 - Nov. 18 Dec. 24 - Dec. 31
<b>Fall Turkey Firearms</b> State and Private Lands	Oct. 4 - Oct. 31

## White-tailed Deer

(See <https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Hunting/2025-Connecticut-Hunting-and-Trapping-Guide/Deer-Hunting> for limit information)

SEASON	2025 SEASON DATES
<b>Deer Bowhunting</b> Private Land (Zones 11 and 12) Private Land (All Zones) State Land Bowhunting Only Areas State Land	Jan. 1 - Jan. 31 Sept. 15 - Dec. 31 Sept. 15 - Dec. 31 Sept. 15 - Nov. 18 Dec. 24 - Dec. 31
<b>Deer Shotgun - State Controlled Areas</b> No Lottery Season	Nov. 19 - Dec. 9
<b>Deer Lottery</b> Archery-Only Lottery State Land Lottery "A" Season State Land Lottery Regular Season	Sept. 15 - Dec. 31 Nov. 19 - Nov. 28 Nov. 19 - Dec. 9
<b>Deer Shotgun/Rifle/Revolver</b> Private Lands Landowner	Nov. 19 - Dec. 9 Nov. 1 - Dec. 31
<b>Deer Muzzleloader</b> Private Land State Land	Dec. 10 - Dec. 31 Dec. 10 - Dec. 23

## Junior Hunter Training Days

Learn more about Junior Hunter Training Days and Opportunities at <https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP-Junior-Hunting>.

SEASON	2025 SEASON DATES
Junior Spring Wild Turkey	April 19-26, 2025 (excluding Sunday)
Junior Waterfowl	Two Saturdays in fall (see the 2025-2026 Migratory Bird Hunting Guide for dates)
Junior Pheasant	October 11, 2025
Junior Deer	Nov. 8-15, 2025 (excluding Sunday)