



Oklahoma

Waterfowl Guide 2010-2011



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GEESE AND SANDHILL CRANE

CANADA GEESE

October 30 - November 28, 2010; and December 11, 2010 - February 13, 2011.
Daily Limit: Three (3). Hunting allowed statewide.

WHITE-FRONTED GEESE

October 30 - November 28, 2010; and December 11, 2010 - February 4, 2011.
Daily Limit: One (1). Hunting allowed statewide.

LIGHT GEESE (SNOW, BLUE & ROSS')

October 30 - November 28, 2010; and December 11, 2010 - February 13, 2011.
Daily Limit: Twenty (20). Hunting allowed statewide.

SANDHILL CRANE

October 23, 2010 - January 23, 2011.
Daily Limit: Three (3). Hunting allowed west of I-35 only.

Federal Sandhill Crane Permit Required

All sandhill crane hunters, including lifetime license holders, must purchase a Federal Sandhill Crane Permit. Permits are \$3 and are available from any Oklahoma hunting license dealer. Permits are also available at wildlifedepartment.com (a \$3 convenience fee will be applied to your total).

POSSESSION LIMITS:

The possession limit for geese and cranes after the first day of hunting is two (2) times the daily limit, except there is no possession limit for light geese.

SHOOTING HOURS:

One-half hour before sunrise to sunset.

CONSERVATION ORDER LIGHT GOOSE SEASON (COLGS)

February 14 - March 30, 2011

Daily Limit: There are no daily or possession limits.

Shooting Hours: One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset

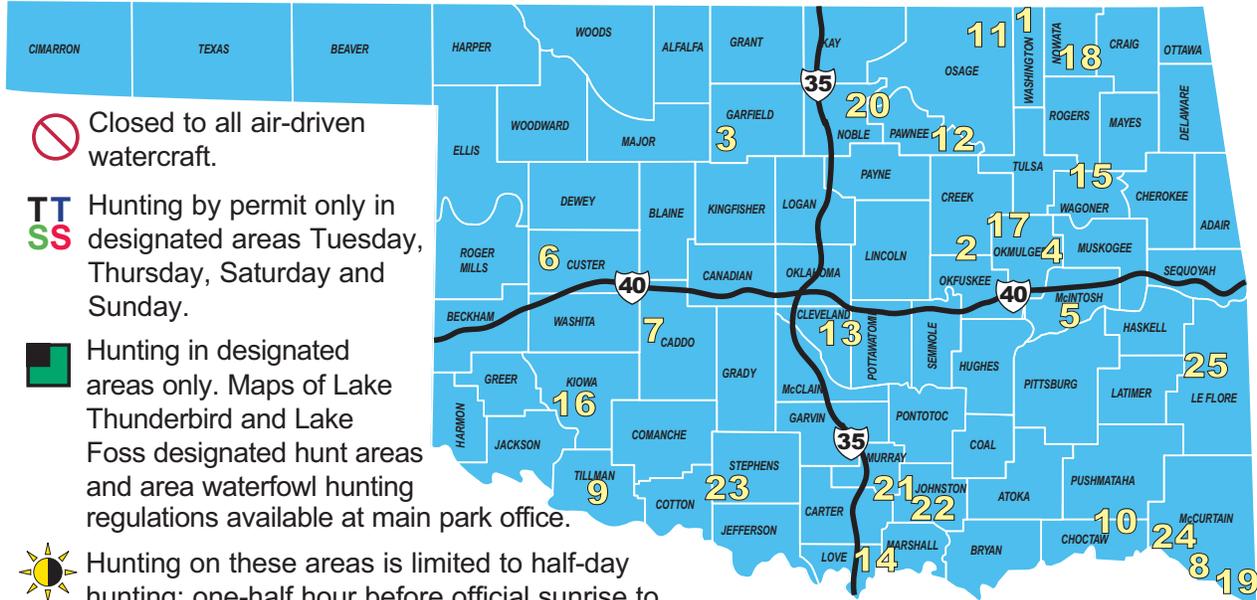
Special Provisions: *Electronic calls allowed; unplugged shotguns allowed; shooting hours extended to one-half hour after sunset; no daily or possession limits.*

This season is designed to increase harvest and allow hunters to help reduce the population of mid-continent light geese (snow, blue & Ross'). All other waterfowl regulations apply, including use of federally-approved nontoxic shot. All participants are required to have in their possession while hunting all necessary licenses, waterfowl stamps and a Harvest Information Program (HIP) permit. **In order to estimate the harvest of light geese during COLGS, we need hunters to register for the hunt on the Internet by going to: wildlifedepartment.com** or by sending their name, address and telephone number to:

Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation
Attn: COLGS
P.O. Box 53465
Oklahoma City, OK 73152

Wetland Development Units / Waterfowl Hunting Areas

Wetland Development Units (WDU's) are areas managed to provide important habitat and refuge resources to waterfowl and migratory birds. Many WDU maps are available at wildlifedepartment.com



Closed to all air-driven watercraft.

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SS Hunting by permit only in designated areas Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday.

Hunting in designated areas only. Maps of Lake Thunderbird and Lake Foss designated hunt areas and area waterfowl hunting regulations available at main park office.

Hunting on these areas is limited to half-day hunting: one-half hour before official sunrise to 1 p.m. daily. On Wetland Development Units (WDUs), no permanent blinds are permitted. All shotgun hunting on state Wetland Development Units is restricted to federally-approved nontoxic shot only and the possession of lead shot is prohibited.

1. Copan WMA & WDU
 Biologist: John Rempe, (918) 629-5108
2. Deep Fork WMA – Swift Bottoms WDU
 Biologist: Bruce Burton, (918) 759-1816
3. Drummond Flats WMA
 Biologist: Steve Conrady, (580) 227-3080
4. Eufaula WMA – Deep Fork WDU
 Biologist: J.D. Ridge, (918) 617-1113
5. Eufaula WMA – Mill Creek WDU
 Biologist: J.D. Ridge, (918) 617-1113
6. Lake Foss
 Contact: (580) 592-4433
7. Ft. Cobb WMA – Walnut Slough WDU
 Habitat Coordinator: Kent Swanda, (580) 595-0347
8. Grassy Slough WMA & WDU
 Biologist: Richard Beagles, (580) 320-3176
9. Hackberry Flat WMA & WDU
 Biologist: Kelvin Schoonover, (580) 335-5262
10. Hugo WMA – Hugo/Kiamichi River & Sawyer WDU's
 Biologist: Richard Beagles, (580) 320-3176
11. Hulah WMA – Whipporwill WDU
 Biologist: John Rempe, (918) 629-5108
12. Keystone WMA – Boston Pool, Buckeye Creek & Cottonwood Creek WDU's
 Biologist: Jeff Pennington, (918) 629-4625
13. Lake Thunderbird
 Contact: (405) 364-7634
14. Love Valley WMA – Stevens Springs WDU
 Biologist: Tom Wyatt, (405) 823-9038
15. McClellan-Kerr WMA – Billy Creek & Chouteau WDU's
 Biologist: Mike Plunkett, (918) 625-3910
16. Mountain Park WMA & WDU
 Habitat Coordinator: Kent Swanda, (580) 595-0347
17. Okmulgee WMA – Okmulgee East & Okmulgee West WDU's
 Biologist: Bruce Burton, (918) 759-1816
18. Oologah WMA – Overcup Bottoms & Upper Verdigris WDU's
 Biologist: Scott Cox, (918) 253-4253
19. Red Slough WMA & WDU
 Biologist: Richard Beagles, (580) 320-3176
20. Sooner Lake **TT** **SS**
 Contact: Josh Richardson, (405) 424-2773

WDU's/ Waterfowl Hunting Areas Continued

21. Texoma/Washita Arm WMA – Washita Arm WDU ☀
Biologist: Dennis Geary, (405) 823-8383
22. Tishomingo Wildlife Management Unit ☀
Biologist: Dennis Geary, (405) 823-8383
23. Waurika WMA – Waurika WDU & Walker Creek WDU ☀
Biologist: Kent Swanda, (580) 595-0347
24. White Grass Flats WMA & WDU ☀🚫
Biologist: Richard Beagles, (580) 320-3176
25. Wister WMA – Coal Creek & Fourche Maline WDU's ☀
Biologist: David Robertson, (580) 421-7273

Youth Waterfowl Hunting Opportunities



Youth hunters enjoy reduced license costs and youth-only seasons in Oklahoma. Help the youth of Oklahoma get involved in the sport of waterfowl hunting and take a kid with you on your next hunt, or encourage them to participate in the youth-only opportunities below.

Youth Waterfowl Weekends

- **Panhandle: October 2 - 3, 2010**
- **Zone 1: October 16 - 17, 2010**
- **Zone 2: October 30 - 31, 2010**

These weekends are special waterfowl hunting opportunities for kids, providing two (2) additional days outside of the regular waterfowl season. Youth hunters must be 15 years of age or younger. An adult must accompany the youth hunter into the field. If the youth is hunter education certified, accompanying hunter must be 18 years of age or older. If the youth is not hunter education certified, accompanying hunter must be 21 years of age or older and hunter education certified or exempt. This adult cannot hunt ducks, mergansers or coots; but may participate in other open seasons including geese in Zone 2. **All species and sex specific limits are the same as the regular seasons.**

ODWC Guided Youth Waterfowl Hunts



These guided hunts provide youth who do not have an adult mentor that waterfowl hunts an opportunity to experience the joys of waterfowling.

Dates: Set by hunter and guide

Locations: Altus-Lugert Lake, Deep Fork NWR (Okmulgee), Ft. Gibson Waterfowl Refuge, Ft. Cobb State Park, Hackberry Flat Waterfowl Refuge, Okmulgee Wildlife Management Area, Vann's Lake and Wister Lake Refuge

Age: Applicants must be 12 to 15 years of age, have proof of successfully completing a certified hunter education course, and have an adult guardian who can accompany them on the hunt.

Application Deadline: Monday, Nov. 8, 2010.

How To Apply: Pick a hunt location and two alternate locations. Write them on a three by five inch postcard along with your name, address, phone number, and the youth hunter's hunter education number. Date of hunt will be determined by both guide and hunter.

May only apply once. Mail to:

OK Dept. of Wildlife
Conservation,
Youth Waterfowl Hunts
PO Box 53465
Oklahoma City, OK 73152

**For more information contact
Jeff Neal, migratory game
bird technician, at
(405) 424-0122 or at**

jneal@zoo.odwc.state.ok.us

LICENSE, STAMP AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

- 1) **Migratory Bird Harvest Information Program (HIP) Permit:** All migratory bird hunters, including lifetime license holders who hunt migratory birds (dove, ducks, geese, sandhill cranes, mergansers, coots, woodcock, rails, gallinules and snipe), must carry an Oklahoma Migratory Bird Harvest Information Program (HIP) permit issued by the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation or a designated license dealer while hunting migratory birds. Permits are available from any Oklahoma hunting license dealer for \$3. Permits are available **FREE** at wildlifedepartment.com. HIP permits are valid from July 1 through the following June 30.

Sportsmen exempt from the HIP Permit include:

- a) all hunters under 16 years of age,
 - b) all hunters 64 years of age or older (or those who turn 64 during the calendar year in which they intend to hunt migratory birds), and
 - c) resident landowners hunting only on their own land.
- 2) **Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp (federal duck stamp):** Federal law requires that every waterfowl hunter 16 years of age and over must carry on their person a valid Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation stamp, signed in ink across the face. These are available for \$15 at U.S. Post Offices, some Oklahoma license dealers, and at duckstamp.com. (See below for information on how to purchase an online stamp which is effective immediately.) "Waterfowl" refers to ducks and geese only. No federal duck stamp is required for coot or sandhill crane hunting. Valid July 1 through the following June 30.

Federal Stamps available online

Federal Duck stamps, required of all waterfowl hunters 16 years of age and over, can now be purchased online in addition to the U.S. Post offices and some Oklahoma license dealers.

One option is to visit duckstamp.com and order a stamp which will be mailed to the hunter. Shipping costs apply.

Hunters needing an immediate stamp may purchase one from Arkansas Game and Fish Commission. Visit www.agfc.com, purchase a federal duck stamp, then print out a receipt. This receipt will act as a stamp and must be signed and carried by the hunter until the actual stamp arrives by mail. Questions? Call (800) 364-4263.

- 3) **Oklahoma Waterfowl Hunting License (waterfowl stamp):** Every resident 16 years of age and over and every nonresident (regardless of age) must have in their possession an Oklahoma Waterfowl Hunting license while hunting waterfowl, unless exempt. Licenses are available from any Oklahoma hunting license dealer. Licenses are also available at wildlifedepartment.com (a \$3 convenience fee will be applied to your total). "Waterfowl" refers to ducks and geese only. No state waterfowl license is required for coot or sandhill crane hunting. Valid July 1 through the following June 30.

Sportsmen exempt from the Oklahoma Waterfowl Hunting License include:

- a) residents under 16 years of age.
 - b) residents age 65 or older
 - c) Oklahoma resident lifetime hunting or combination license holders, and
 - d) resident landowners hunting on their own land
- 4) **Federal Sandhill Crane Permit:** All sandhill crane hunters, including lifetime license holders, must purchase the Federal Sandhill Crane permit for \$3. Permits are valid from July 1 through the following June 30 and are available from any Oklahoma hunting license dealer. Permits are also available at wildlifedepartment.com (a \$3 convenience fee will be applied to your total).
- 5) **Hunting License:** Residents 16 years of age and older (unless exempt) and nonresidents 14 years of age and older (unless exempt) must possess a hunting license (such as an annual hunting, 5-day nonresident hunting or combination license). Refer to the current "Oklahoma Hunting Guide" for a list of hunting licenses and exemptions.

LICENSE COSTS

(Annual licenses, permits and stamps available at wildlifedepartment.com)

Note: Some licenses will change in scope or cost on January 1, 2011, while others will no longer be available for purchase. Visit the website, wildlifedepartment.com, for more information.

LICENSE	RESIDENT	NONRESIDENT
Hunting	\$25	\$142
Nonresident 5-Day Hunting		\$75
Resident Combination Hunting / Fishing	\$42	
Resident Youth Hunting (16 and 17 year olds only)	\$5	
Res. Youth Comb. Hunting / Fishing (16 and 17 year olds only)	\$9	
Resident 5-Year Hunting	\$88	
Resident 5-Year Combination Hunting / Fishing	\$148	
Lifetime Hunting	\$625	
Lifetime Combination Hunting / Fishing	\$775	
Lifetime Hunting 60 and Over	\$225	
Lifetime Combination Hunting / Fishing 60 and Over	\$240	
Lifetime Disabled Veteran Combination Hunting / Fishing (under 60 percent disability)	\$200	
Lifetime Disabled Veteran Combination Hunting / Fishing (60 percent or more disability)	\$25	
Oklahoma Waterfowl License (state waterfowl stamp) **	\$10	\$10
Harvest Information Program (HIP) Permit ** (free at wildlifedepartment.com)	\$3	\$3
Federal Sandhill Crane Permit **	\$3	\$3
Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp (federal duck stamp, available at U.S. Post Offices and duckstamp.com) **	\$15	\$15
Senior Citizen Lifetime Hunting	\$6	
Senior Citizen Lifetime Combination Hunting / Fishing	\$10	
Lifetime Oklahoma Waterfowl License (state waterfowl stamp)	\$50	

** Valid from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011.

(For a list of other species' hunting and fishing licenses, consult the current Oklahoma Hunting and Fishing Guides or wildlifedepartment.com.)



ATTENTION MIGRATORY BIRD HUNTERS

who plan to hunt

Dove, Ducks, Geese, Sandhill Cranes, Coots, Mergansers, Woodcock, Rails, Gallinules and Snipe

You must obtain and carry an Oklahoma Migratory Bird Harvest Information Program (HIP) permit in addition to applicable licenses while you hunt. It is valid July 1 - June 30.

Sportsmen exempt from this requirement include:

- all hunters under 16 years of age
- all hunters 64 years of age or older (or those who turn 64 during the calendar year they intend to hunt migratory birds)
- resident landowners hunting only on their own land

Lifetime license holders must also obtain this permit and have it in their possession while hunting migratory birds.

GENERAL WATERFOWL HUNTING REGULATIONS

LEGAL MEANS OF TAKING MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS

Shotgun (conventional or muzzleloading), archery equipment or legal raptors. Shotguns must not be larger than 10 gauge. No rifles, pistols or shotgun slugs. Shotguns must be incapable of holding more than three (3) shells in the magazine and chamber combined.

NONTOXIC SHOT REGULATIONS

All waterfowl (ducks and geese) and coot hunting is restricted to use of federally-approved nontoxic shot in all areas of the state. Unless otherwise provided, all shotgun hunting on state wetland development units and state waterfowl refuges is restricted to federally-approved nontoxic shot only. Possession of lead shot while hunting waterfowl or coots and for all shotgun hunting on state wetland development units and state waterfowl refuges is prohibited. For more information on federally-approved nontoxic shot types, see fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/nontoxic.htm.

WATERFOWL HUNTING BLINDS ON RESERVOIRS

- Waterfowl hunting blinds constructed on public lands are of two (2) types: permanent blinds constructed for seasonal use, and temporary blinds constructed for only one (1) hunting trip and removed at the end of said trip.
- Temporary blinds only are allowed on Altus-Lugert, Arbuckle, Birch, Broken Bow, Chouteau (L&D 17), Copan, Fort Cobb, Heyburn, Hugo, Hulah, Kaw, Keystone, Newt Graham (L&D 18), Mountain Park, Oologah, Optima, Pine Creek, Robert S. Kerr (L&D 15), Skiatook, Tenkiller, Texoma and Wister reservoirs.
- Hunters wishing to construct permanent blinds on Corps of Engineers reservoirs where blinds are permitted must first obtain a permit. Permits are not required for temporary blinds. Contact the local Corps office to request a permit.
- Permanent or temporary blinds can be constructed on Canton, Eufaula, Fort Gibson, Fort Supply, W.D. Mayo (L&D 14), Waurika and Webbers Falls (L&D 16) reservoirs.
 - Permanent blind permits are issued by public drawing, annually for Eufaula, Fort Gibson, W.D. Mayo (L&D 14), Waurika and Webbers Falls (L&D 16) reservoirs. The drawings will be held on Saturday, September 18, 2010. Drawings for Eufaula Lake, Fort Gibson Lake, and Webbers Falls Reservoir will be held at the ODWC office in Porter (9097 N 34th St.). Registration for Fort Gibson Lake begins at 7:00 a.m., registration for Eufaula Lake begins at 9:30 a.m. and registration for Webbers Falls begins at 12:00 p.m. The drawings are held an hour after registration begins. Registration and drawing for W.D. Mayo will be held at Spiro City Hall (510 S. Main St.) at 10:00 a.m. Registration and drawing for Waurika Lake will be held at the Waurika Lake Corps of Engineers office at 9:00 a.m.
 - Permanent blind permits are issued on a first come, first served basis for Canton and Fort Supply reservoirs.
 - In some cases, permanent blind permits remain after the drawing. Contact the Area Biologist of the area of interest to see if any permits are available after the drawings.
- Applicants for drawing on permanent blind permits must be at least 16 years old and possess a valid hunting license, HIP permit, a signed Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation stamp (federal duck stamp) and a valid Oklahoma Waterfowl Hunting license (state duck stamp), unless exempt.
- All individuals wanting a permanent blind permit must attend the permit drawings.
- Permit holders must conspicuously display the permit number in the blind throughout the waterfowl season.
- Blinds must be constructed within 25 yards of designated locations. No blinds, whether temporary or permanent, shall be constructed within 250 yards of another blind.
- Blinds must be constructed two (2) weeks prior to the opening day of waterfowl season, otherwise the blind may be reissued on a first come, first served basis. All blinds must be removed within 14 days after the close of waterfowl season. Blinds remaining after this date shall become the property of the Department.
- Permit holders will have priority use on their blind each day until 7:30 a.m. After this time, unoccupied blinds will be available to others. Blinds must not be locked.
- Noncompliance with regulations will result in a citation or forfeiture of right to obtain a blind permit the next year.

GENERAL WATERFOWL HUNTING REGULATIONS

WATERFOWL HUNTING ON DEPARTMENT LAKES

Waterfowl hunting is permitted on the following Department lakes from Sept. 1 through Mar. 31 during all open waterfowl seasons: American Horse, Burtschi, Evans-Chambers, Hall, Jap Beaver, Nanih Waiya, Ozzie Cobb, Schooler and Vanderwork. Only temporary blinds may be used on these lakes.

The following Department lakes are closed to hunting: Elmer, Etling, Raymond Gary, Watonga, and Wayne Wallace.

WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS

Wildlife Management Areas (WMA's), including lakes Dahlgren (within Lexington WMA) and Vincent (within Ellis County WMA), are open to waterfowl hunting during applicable open seasons except when they are closed for controlled hunts and unless otherwise closed for other hunting seasons. Please consult the Public Lands section in the current *Oklahoma Hunting Guide* for specific closed dates.

WATERFOWL REFUGE PORTION

Waterfowl Refuge Portions (WRP's), are areas closed to all public use and access from Oct. 15 - Jan. 31, except for controlled hunt permittees on days of their hunt, and unless specifically noted otherwise. In addition, all shotgun hunting is restricted to federally-approved nontoxic shot and the possession of lead shot is prohibited. This includes WRP areas at Canton, Hackberry Flat, Hugo, McClellan-Kerr, Red Slough, and Wister.



Your License Dollars at Work

Every time waterfowl hunters purchase hunting licenses and stamps, they are supporting ongoing work to expand and improve wetlands and waterfowl hunting opportunities across Oklahoma.

Each year the Wildlife Department operates and manages over 12,000 acres of public wetland development units for waterfowl hunting. Last year nearly 5,000 acres were flooded, both naturally and artificially, to enhance waterfowl hunting opportunities and provide quality habitat for waterfowl and other migratory birds.

Since 1980, the Department's Duck Stamp program has provided increased public waterfowl hunting opportunities by restoring,

creating and enhancing wetland resources throughout the state. Many of these projects have created or restored emergent marshes and moist soil units that maximize waterfowl benefits. In addition, each summer the Department aerially seeds 3,000 - 5,000 acres of Japanese millet on reservoir mudflats. These plants enhance marginal habitat for waterfowl use.

The Department also provides technical assistance to private landowners interested in protecting, restoring, enhancing and managing wetland resources to benefit both waterfowl and other migratory birds.

These efforts and accomplishments are a direct result of your license dollars at work. Hunting and fishing equipment carry a federal tax that is collected from the manufacturer. These taxes are then distributed to state fish and wildlife agencies by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service through the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program.

Every time you purchase a hunting license, those dollars are matched with Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program dollars to develop, enhance, operate and maintain quality wetland habitat and increase public hunting opportunities.



This program operates free from discrimination on the basis of political or religious opinion or affiliation, race, creed, color, gender, age, ancestry, marital status or disability. A person who feels he or she may have been discriminated against or would like further information should write: Director, Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation, P.O. Box 53465, Oklahoma City, OK 73152, or Office of Equal Opportunity, U.S. Department of Interior, Washington, D.C. 20240.

FEDERAL WATERFOWL HUNTING REGULATIONS

In addition to state regulations, these federal rules apply to the taking, possession, transportation and storage of migratory game birds. *For a complete summary of federal regulations, visit wildlifedepartment.com/fedregs.htm.*

Restrictions: No person shall take migratory game birds:

- With a trap, snare, net, rifle, pistol, swivel gun, shotgun larger than 10 gauge, punt gun, battery gun, machine gun, fishhook, poison, drug, explosive, or stupefying substance.
- With a shotgun capable of holding more than three (3) shells, except as provided during the COLGS season (see page 3).
- From a sink box (a low floating device, having a depression affording the hunter a means of concealment beneath the water's surface).
- From or with the aid or use of a car or other motor driven land conveyance, or any aircraft.
- From or by means of any motor or sail boat unless the motor has been completely shut off and/or the sail furled, and its progress therefrom has ceased.
- By the use or aid of live decoys.
- Using records or tapes of migratory bird calls, or sounds, or electronically amplified imitations of bird calls, except as provided during the COLGS season (see page 3).
- By driving, rallying, or chasing birds with any motorized conveyance or any sail boat to put them in range of hunters.
- By the aid of baiting or on or over a baited area where a person knows or reasonably should know that the area is or has been baited. A baited area is considered to be baited for 10 days after complete removal of any bait. Baiting includes placing, exposing, depositing, distributing or scattering of salt, grain, or other feed that could serve as a lure or attraction for migratory game birds to, on, or over areas where hunters are attempting to take them. Agricultural areas must be prepared in accordance with official recommendations to be legally hunted. It is a separate offense to place or direct placement of bait on or adjacent to an area that causes, induces, or allows another to hunt by the aid of bait on or over a baited area. Hunters are responsible for ensuring that an area has not been baited and should verify its legality prior to hunting. The maximum federal penalties are: for hunting over bait: \$15,000/6 months jail, and placing bait: \$100,000/1 year jail. **For additional information, consult fws.gov/le or call a federal game warden at (405) 715-0617.**

Closed Season: No person shall take migratory game birds during the closed season.

Shooting Hours: No person shall take migratory game birds except during the hours open to shooting as prescribed.

Daily Bag Limit: No person shall take in any one (1) day more than one daily bag limit.

Field Possession Limit: No person shall possess more than one (1) daily bag limit, tagged or not tagged while in the field or while returning from the field to one's car, hunting camp, home, etc.

Wanton Waste: All migratory game birds shall be retrieved if possible, and retained in the custody of the hunter in the field.

Tagging: No person shall give, put or leave any migratory game birds at any place or in the custody of another person unless the birds are tagged by the hunter with the following information.

1. The hunter's signature.
2. The hunter's address.
3. The total number of birds involved, by species.
4. The dates such birds were killed.

Tagging is required if birds are being transported by another person for the hunter, or if birds have been left for cleaning, storage (including temporary storage), shipment, or taxidermy services.

Possession of Live Birds: Crippled birds must be immediately killed.

Dressing: No person shall completely dress any migratory game bird (except doves and bandtailed pigeons) and then transport the birds from the field. The head or one (1) fully feathered wing must remain attached to all such birds while being transported from the field to one's home or to a commercial facility.

Importation: For information regarding the importation of migratory birds killed in another country, hunters should consult federal regulations 50 CFR 20.61 through 20.66. One (1) fully-feathered wing must remain attached to all migratory game birds being transported between the port of entry and one's home or to a migratory bird preservation facility. No person shall import migratory game birds killed in any foreign country except Canada, unless such birds are dressed (except as required in 20.63), drawn, and the head and feet are removed. No person shall import migratory game birds belonging to another person.

FEDERAL WATERFOWL HUNTING REGULATIONS

Shipment: No persons shall ship migratory game birds unless package is marked on outside with:

1. The name and address of the person sending the birds.
2. The name and address of the person to whom the birds are being sent.
3. The number of birds, by species, contained in the package.

Caution: More restrictive regulations may apply to National Wildlife Refuges open to public hunting. *For more information on federal regulations, contact the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service at 2700 Coltrane Place, Suite #4, Edmond, OK 73034, (405) 715-0617.*

SUNRISE / SUNSET TABLE: 2010-2011

Source: sunrisesunset.com

2010	September		October		November		December 2010		2011 January		February		March	
Day	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set
1	7:02	7:58	7:24	7:15	7:51	6:36	7:20	5:17	7:39	5:27	7:30	5:57	7:01	6:24
2	7:03	7:57	7:25	7:14	7:52	6:35	7:21	5:17	7:39	5:28	7:29	5:58	6:59	6:25
3	7:03	7:56	7:26	7:12	7:53	6:34	7:22	5:17	7:39	5:29	7:29	5:59	6:58	6:26
4	7:04	7:54	7:27	7:11	7:54	6:33	7:23	5:17	7:40	5:29	7:28	6:00	6:57	6:27
5	7:05	7:53	7:28	7:09	7:55	6:32	7:24	5:17	7:40	5:30	7:27	6:01	6:55	6:28
6	7:06	7:51	7:28	7:08	7:56	6:31	7:25	5:17	7:40	5:31	7:26	6:02	6:54	6:29
7	7:06	7:50	7:29	7:07	6:57	5:30	7:25	5:17	7:40	5:32	7:25	6:03	6:53	6:30
8	7:07	7:49	7:30	7:05	6:58	5:29	7:26	5:17	7:40	5:33	7:24	6:04	6:51	6:30
9	7:08	7:47	7:31	7:04	6:59	5:28	7:27	5:17	7:40	5:34	7:23	6:05	6:50	6:31
10	7:09	7:46	7:32	7:03	7:00	5:28	7:28	5:17	7:40	5:35	7:22	6:06	6:49	6:32
11	7:09	7:44	7:32	7:01	7:01	5:27	7:29	5:17	7:40	5:36	7:21	6:07	6:47	6:33
12	7:10	7:43	7:33	7:00	7:02	5:26	7:29	5:17	7:39	5:36	7:20	6:08	6:46	6:34
13	7:11	7:41	7:34	6:58	7:03	5:25	7:30	5:18	7:39	5:37	7:19	6:09	7:45	7:35
14	7:11	7:40	7:35	6:57	7:04	5:25	7:31	5:18	7:39	5:38	7:18	6:10	7:43	7:36
15	7:12	7:38	7:36	6:56	7:05	5:24	7:31	5:18	7:39	5:39	7:17	6:11	7:42	7:36
16	7:13	7:37	7:37	6:55	7:06	5:23	7:32	5:18	7:39	5:40	7:16	6:12	7:40	7:37
17	7:14	7:36	7:38	6:53	7:07	5:23	7:33	5:19	7:38	5:41	7:15	6:13	7:39	7:38
18	7:14	7:34	7:38	6:52	7:08	5:22	7:33	5:19	7:38	5:42	7:14	6:14	7:37	7:39
19	7:15	7:33	7:39	6:51	7:09	5:22	7:34	5:19	7:38	5:43	7:13	6:15	7:36	7:40
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Times in this table are for Oklahoma City, OK, and points exactly north and south thereof. For points lying along a north-south line east of Oklahoma City, subtract one minute for every 13 1/2 miles distance. For points lying along a north-south line west of Oklahoma City, add one minute for each 13 1/2 miles distance.

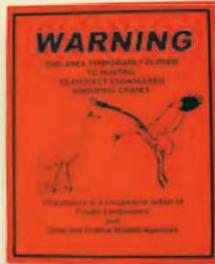
CRANE IDENTIFICATION

Whooping cranes are endangered and are federally protected.



Whooping cranes are an endangered species that migratory bird hunters may encounter. The Department believes that hunting can continue when whooping cranes are present as long as hunters are aware and diligent in their responsibility to absolutely identify their quarry.

While standing next to one another, whooping cranes and sandhill cranes can be relatively easy to tell apart, as shown up top. However, hunters should be especially careful during **low light** or **backlit conditions** as whooping cranes and sandhill cranes will both appear dark and can look similar. If you cannot positively identify the bird, **don't shoot!**



There may be spot closures of waterfowl hunting areas when whooping cranes are present.

Watch for these signs.



Mike Blair

Whooping cranes in flight



Mike Blair

Sandhill cranes in flight

For more information on identifying cranes, log on to:

fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/SandhillCranes/SandhillCraneHunters.htm

snowy white body



Whooping Crane

Snowy white and stands more than four feet tall, with a 7 1/2 foot wingspan. Black wingtips are visible in flight. Adults have a red crown and are usually found in small groups of six or fewer and may be seen flying or feeding with sandhill cranes.



Sandhill Crane

Solid gray, although it may look almost white in certain light. Stands four feet tall or less, with a six-foot wingspan. Adults have a red crown.

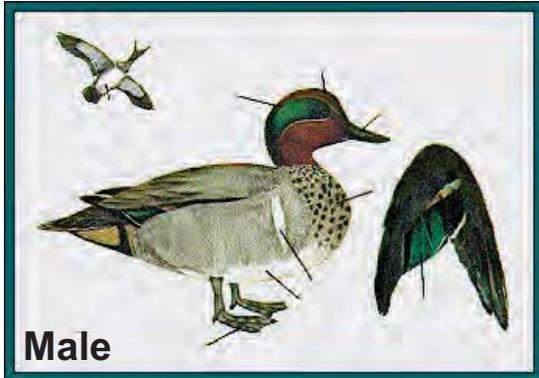
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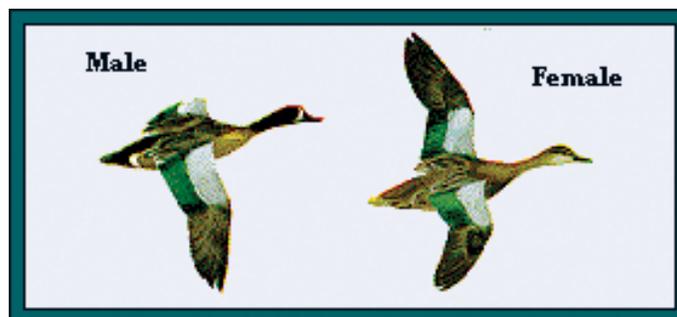
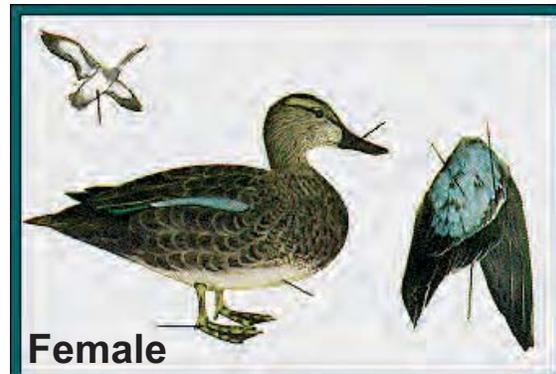
WATERFOWL IDENTIFICATION

PUDDLE DUCKS: ducks that typically feed in shallow water.

Green-winged Teal: Smallest of puddle ducks, about 3/4 pound, up to 14 inches long.



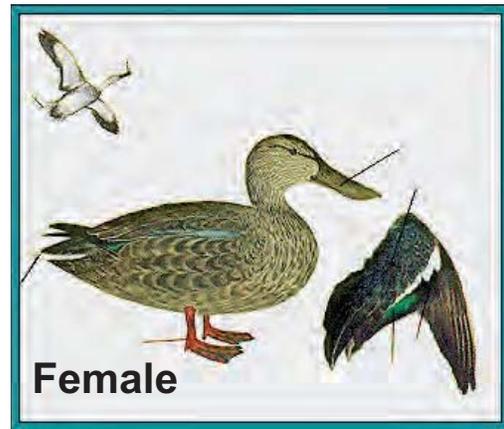
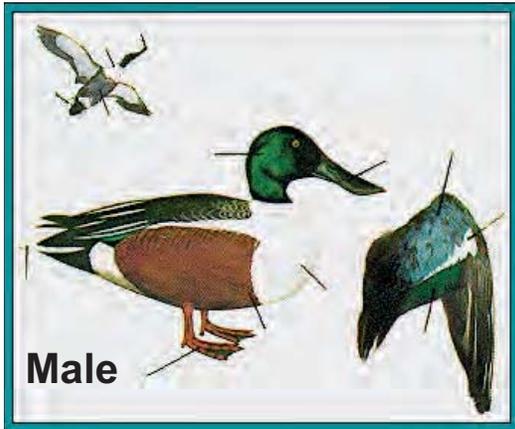
Blue-winged Teal: Small duck, less than 1 pound, 12-16 inches long.



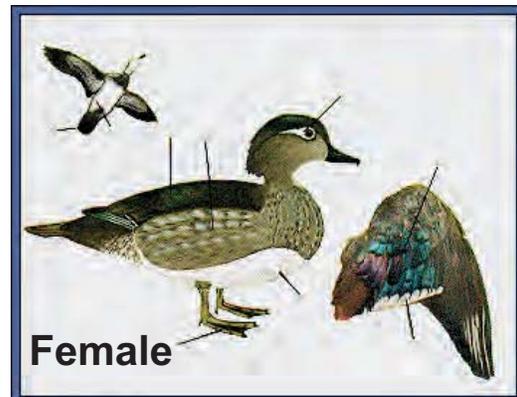
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Shoveler: Medium-sized duck, 1 1/4 - 1 1/2 pounds, 18-20 inches long.



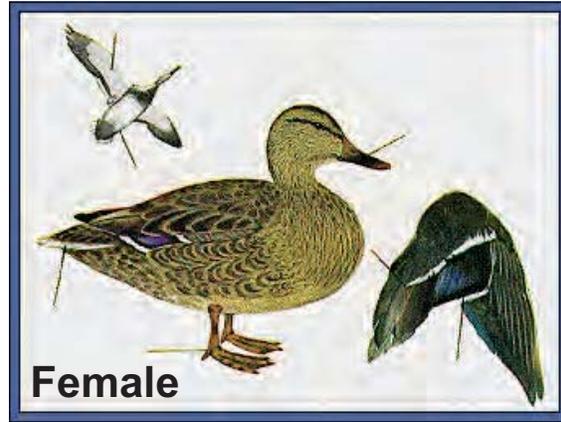
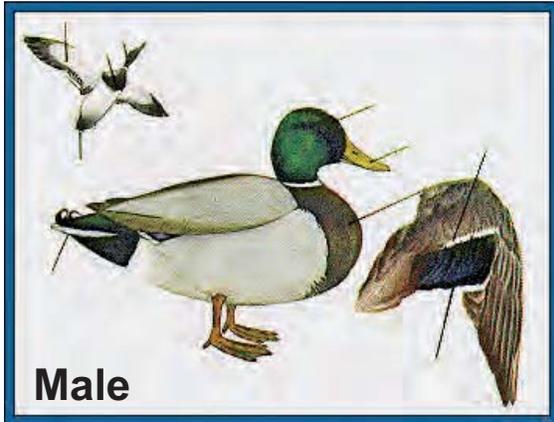
Wood Duck: Medium-sized duck, up to 1 1/2 pounds, 15-18 inches long.



WATERFOWL IDENTIFICATION

PUDDLE DUCKS: ducks that typically feed in shallow water.

Mallard: Large duck, 2 1/2 - 3 pounds, 24-28 inches long.



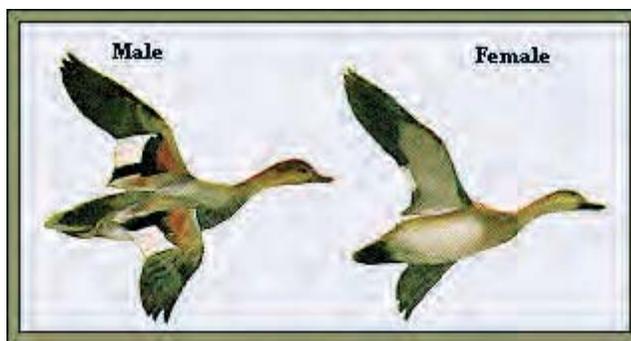
Pintail: Large duck, 2 - 2 1/2 pounds, 22-27 inches long.



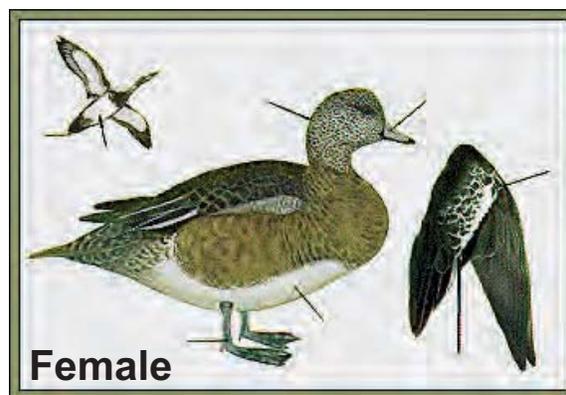
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PUDDLE DUCKS: ducks that typically feed in shallow water.

Gadwall: Medium-sized duck, 1 1/2 - 2 pounds, 18-20 inches long.



American Wigeon: Medium-sized duck, 1 1/2 - 2 pounds, 18-20 inches long.



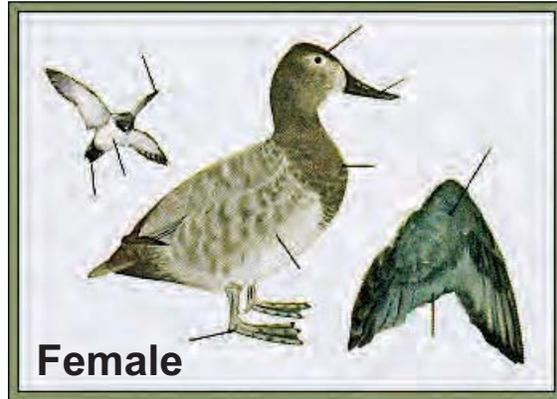
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DIVING DUCKS: ducks that typically feed in deep water.

Canvasback: Large duck, up to 3 pounds, 18-21 inches long.



Male



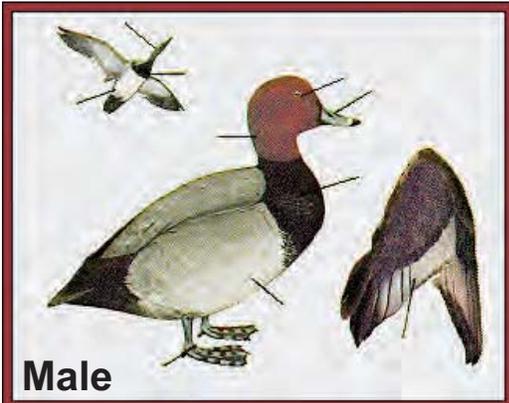
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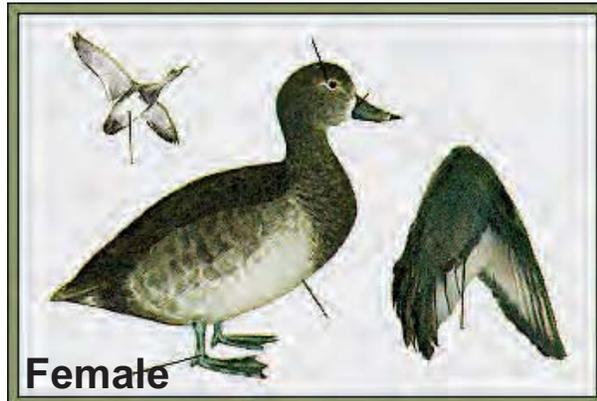
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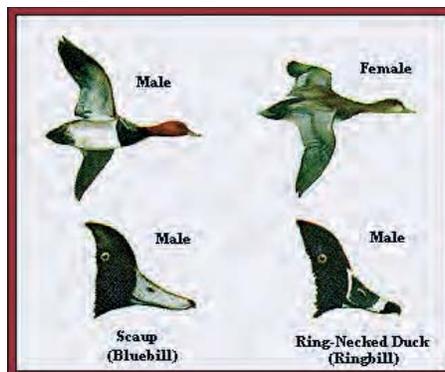
Redhead: Medium-sized duck, 2 - 2 1/2 pounds, 20-22 inches long.



Male



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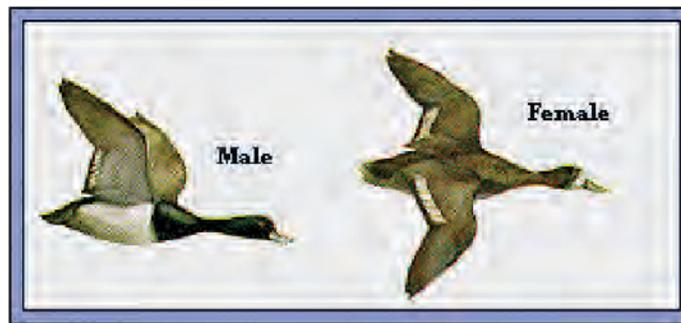
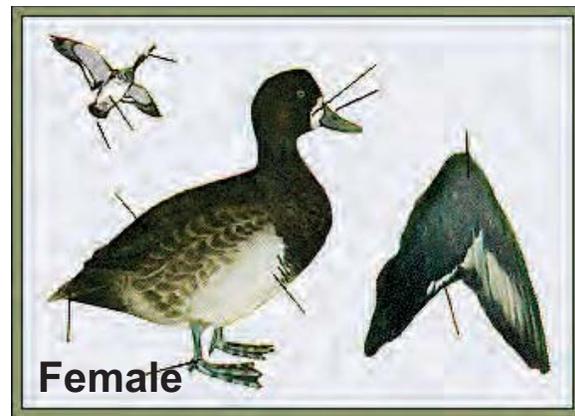
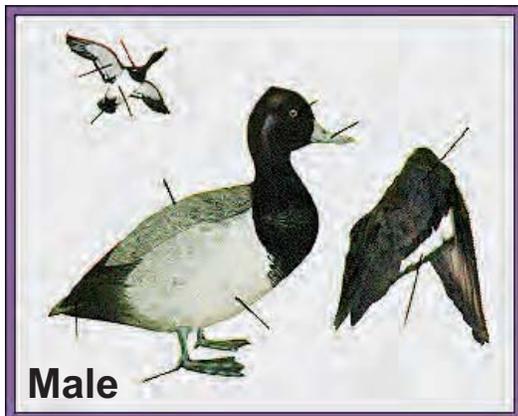
Scaup
(Bluebill)

Ring-Necked Duck
(Ringbill)

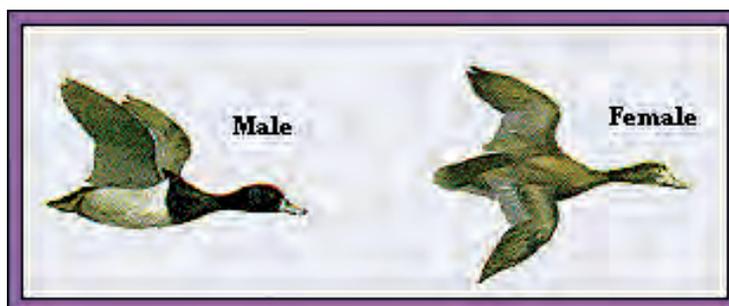
WATERFOWL IDENTIFICATION

DIVING DUCKS: ducks that typically feed in deep water.

Lesser Scaup: Medium-sized duck, 1 3/4 - 2 pounds, 15-18 inches long.



Ring-necked Duck: Medium-sized duck, 1 1/2 - 2 pounds, 16-18 inches long.



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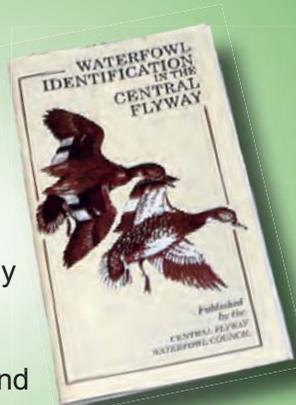
I'M A RESIDENT. I WANT TO HUNT MIGRATORY BIRDS. WHAT DO I NEED?

This is a reference chart only. Please see license descriptions and exemptions on page 6.

I want to hunt...	Hunting License	Oklahoma HIP Permit	Oklahoma Waterfowl License	Federal Duck Stamp	Federal Sandhill Crane Permit
Duck	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Goose (Canada, White-fronted, Snow, Blue or Ross')	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Conservation Order Light Goose Season	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Merganser	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Coot	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Sandhill Crane	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
Dove, Woodcock, Rail, Gallinule, Snipe	Yes	Yes	No	No	No

WATERFOWL IDENTIFICATION RESOURCES

Let us help you improve your waterfowl identification skills. Use the reference guide on our Web site to learn to identify every waterfowl species in the Central Flyway (look under "Hunting," then "Waterfowl" for the links to both the waterfowl reports and identification section).



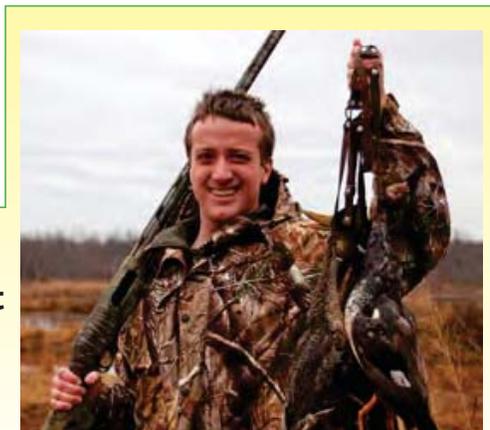
Waterfowl I.D. booklets also are available free upon request at the Department's Oklahoma City or Jenks offices or for \$2 by mail. Call (405) 521-3855 for information.

**Got a Question?
E-mail the
Department:**

**info@
wildlifedepartment.com**



If you harvest a migratory bird bearing a federal band, please report it online at reportband.gov or by calling 1-800-327-BAND (24 hours a day).



ADDITIONAL MIGRATORY GAME BIRD SEASONS

Note- For full information on regulations in effect during these seasons, see the *2010-2011 Oklahoma Hunting Guide*.

COMMON SNIPE

Dates & Open Areas

Oct. 1, 2010 - Jan. 15, 2011; statewide.

Daily Limit

Eight (8) daily, 16 in possession after the first day.

GALLINULE (PURPLE GALLINULE & COMMON MOORHEN)

Dates & Open Areas

Sept. 1 - Nov. 9, 2010; statewide.

Daily Limit

15 daily, 30 in possession after first day.

RAIL (SORA & VIRGINIA)

Dates & Open Areas

Sept. 1 - Nov. 9, 2010; statewide.

Daily Limit

25 daily, 25 in possession after first day.



SEPTEMBER TEAL

Dates & Open Areas

Sept. 11 - 26, 2010; statewide.

Daily Limit

Four (4) daily, eight (8) in possession after the first day.

WOODCOCK

Dates & Open Areas

Nov. 1 - Dec. 15, 2010; statewide.

Daily Limit

Three (3) daily, six (6) in possession after first day.

DOVE (MOURNING, WHITE-WINGED & EURASIAN COLLARED)



Boundary that defines the southwest zone:

U.S.  from the Texas border (west of Hollis) east to Interstate  south to OK State Highway , east to U.S. , south to the Texas border at the Red River.

Statewide (excluding southwest zone)

Dates: Sept. 1 - Nov. 9, 2010

Southwest zone

Dates: Sept. 1 - Oct. 31, 2010 and Dec. 25, 2010 - Jan. 2, 2011

Daily Limit and Possession Limit: 15 daily, 30 in possession after first day combined. The limit may consist of any combination (aggregate) of mourning, white-winged and fully dressed (those without a head or fully feathered wing naturally attached to the carcass) Eurasian collared doves.

However, there is no bag limit on Eurasian collared doves provided that the head or one (1) fully feathered wing remain naturally attached to the carcass of all such birds while being transported to their final destination.

GAME WARDENS

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HUNTING RECORD



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This journal could also come in very handy if you are ever asked to participate in a survey at the end of the season by the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation or the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Your harvest information is very valuable to biologists as they evaluate past seasons and make recommendations for future seasons and daily limits.

Date of Hunt	County	I shot nothing	Number I killed and retrieved			Number I knocked down but lost		
			Ducks	Geese	Crane	Ducks	Geese	Crane

Please retain this record so that you can accurately report your harvest if mailed a waterfowl or sandhill crane harvest survey.

Wildlife Transfer Form

Use this form when transferring a game bird from the person who hunted the animal to another person. Fill the form out and attach to the wildlife. For full details, see current "OK Hunting Guide."

Taken by: _____
 Address: _____
 Phone number: _____
 License number: _____
 Date Harvested: _____
 Number / kind of animal: _____
 Received by: _____
 Address: _____
 Phone number: _____
 Date Transferred: _____

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