

Mourning Doves

Within the outside dates of September 1 through January 15, all States may select specific open seasons conforming to the following conditions:

In the Eastern Management Unit, which includes all States east of the Mississippi River and Louisiana, daily shooting hours are from 12 noon (standard time) until sunset, with a daily bag limit of 12 and a possession limit of 24. States in this Unit may select an open season of 70 consecutive half days or split seasons of not more than three periods totaling not more than 70 half days.

In the Central Management Unit, which includes Arkansas, Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, and Wyoming, the daily shooting hours are from one-hour before sunrise until sunset in all States except Texas. States in this Unit, with the exception of Texas, may select an open season of 60 consecutive full days or split seasons of not more than three periods totaling not more than 60 full days.

The daily bag and possession limits for mourning doves throughout the Central Management Unit are 12 and 24, but in New Mexico, the daily bag and possession limits on mourning and white-winged doves cannot total more than 12 and 24, singly or in the aggregate of both kinds.

Because of its vast area, Texas will again be permitted to select open seasons for each of two established geographical areas.

An open season of 60 consecutive half days within the outside dates of September 1 through January 15 will be permitted for the Northern Area with daily shooting hours from 12 noon (standard time) until sunset.

In the Southern Area, the open season will be 60 consecutive half days within the outside dates of September 25 through January 15, with daily shooting hours from 12 noon (standard time) until sunset: Provided, That in the 12 counties of the Southern Area where both mourning and white-winged doves may be hunted for four half-days between September 1 and September 15, the mourning dove season will run for only 56 consecutive half-days beginning with the opening of the full 60 day season selected for the Southern Area.

In the Western Management Unit, which includes those States whose total area is west of the Continental Divide, the daily shooting hours are from one-half hour before sunrise until sunset, with daily bag and possession limits of 12 and 24. The open season in the Western Unit can run for 50 consecutive full days or can be split into three periods totaling not more than 50 full days.

In Clark County, Nevada, and in Imperial, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties, California, the daily bag and possession limits on mourning and white-winged doves, singly or in the aggregate of both kinds, are 12 and 24.

White-Winged Doves

An open season on white-winged doves is prescribed for the entire States of Arizona and New Mexico; in Imperial, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties of California; in Clark County, Nevada; and in the Texas Counties of Brewster, Brooks, Cameron, Bulberson, Dimmit, El Paso, Hidalgo, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Jim Hogg, Kenedy, Kinney, La Salle, Maverick, Presidio, Starr, Terrell, Val Verde, Webb, Willacy, and Zapata.

In Arizona, California, Nevada, and New Mexico, the open season dates and daily shooting hours will conform with those for mourning doves.

Within the outside dates of September 1 through September 15, Texas may select an open season of four half days in the previously named 21 counties with daily shooting hours from 12 noon (standard time) until sunset, and a daily bag of 10 and a possession limit of 20 white-winged doves.

In Arizona, the daily bag and possession limit is 25 white-winged doves.

In California, Nevada, and New Mexico, the daily bag and possession limits on white-winged and mourning doves, singly or in the aggregate of both kinds, are 12 and 24.

Band-Tailed Pigeons

Within the outside dates of September 1 through January 15, the States of Oregon and Washington may select open seasons on band-tailed pigeons of 30 consecutive days and the State of California may select open seasons of 30 consecutive days for each of two previously established areas. In all States, the daily bag and possession limit is 8. Daily shooting hours are from one-half hour before sunrise until sunset.

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