

## Waterfowl Regulations SUMMARY for the 2017/2018 Season

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Summary of Adopted Waterfowl Hunting Regulations			
AREA	SPECIES	SEASONS	DAILY BAG & POSSESSION LIMITS
<b>Statewide</b>	Coots & Moorhens	Concurrent w/duck season	25/day. 75 in possession
<b>Northeastern Zone</b>	Ducks	Oct 7 – Jan 19	7/day, which may include: 7 mallards no more than 2 females, 1 pintail, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads, 3 scaup. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
	Scaup	Oct 7– Dec 3 & Dec 23 – Jan 19	
	Geese	Regular Season Dark Geese: Oct 7 – Jan 14 White geese: Oct 7 – Dec 3 & Jan 6 – Jan 19 Late Season Whitefronts: Mar 3 – Mar 7  White geese: Feb 6 – Mar 10	30/day, which may include: 20 white geese, 10 dark geese no more than 2 Large Canada geese. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
<b>Southern San Joaquin Valley Zone</b>	Ducks	Oct 21 – Jan 28	7/day, which may include: 7 mallards no more than 2 females, 1 pintail, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads, 3 scaup. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
	Scaup	Nov 4 – Jan 28	
	Geese	Oct 21 – Jan 28	30/ day, which may include: 20 white geese, 10 dark geese. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
<b>Southern California Zone</b>	Ducks	Oct 21 – Jan 28	7/day, which may include: 7 mallards no more than 2 females, 1 pintail, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads, 3 scaup. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
	Scaup	Nov 4 – Jan 28	
	Geese	Oct 21 – Jan 28	23/ day, which may include: 20 white geese, 3 dark geese. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
<b>Colorado River Zone</b>	Ducks	Oct 20 – Jan 28	7/day, which may include: 7 mallards no more than 2 females or Mexican-like ducks, 1 pintail, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads, 3 scaup. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
	Scaup	Nov 4 – Jan 28	
	Geese	Oct 20 – Jan 28	24/day, up to 20 white geese, up to 4 dark geese. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
<b>Balance of State Zone</b>	Ducks	Oct 21 – Jan 28	7/day, which may include: 7 mallards no more than 2 females, 1 pintail, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads, 3 scaup. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
	Scaup	Nov 4 – Jan 28	
	Geese	Early Season: (Large CAGO only) Sept 30 – Oct 4 Regular Season: Oct 21 – Jan 28 Late Season: (Whitefronts and White geese) Feb 10 – Feb 14	30/day, which may include: 20 white geese, 10 dark geese. Possession limit triple the daily bag.

### Summary of Adopted Waterfowl Hunting Regulations, continued

<b>SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREAS</b>	<b>SPECIES</b>	<b>SEASONS</b>	<b>DAILY BAG &amp; POSSESSION LIMITS</b>
North Coast	All Canada Geese	Nov 7 – Jan 28 & Feb 17 – Mar 10	10/day, only 1 may be a Large Canada goose. Possession limit triple the daily bag. Large Canada geese are closed during the Late Season.
Humboldt Bay South Spit (West Side)	All species	Closed during brant season	
Sacramento Valley	White-fronted geese	Open concurrently with general goose season through Dec 21	3/day. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
Morro Bay	All species	Open in designated areas only	Waterfowl season opens concurrently with brant season.
Martis Creek Lake	All species	Closed until Nov 16	
Northern Brant	Black Brant	Nov 8 – Dec 14	2/day. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
Balance of State Brant	Black Brant	Nov 9 – Dec 15	2/day. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
Imperial County	White Geese	Nov 4 – Jan 28 & Feb 3 – Feb 18	20/day. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
<b>YOUTH WATERFOWL HUNTING DAYS</b>	<b>SPECIES</b>	<b>SEASONS</b>	<b>DAILY BAG &amp; POSSESSION LIMITS</b>
Northeastern Zone	Same as regular season	Sept 23 – 24	Same as regular season
Southern San Joaquin Valley Zone		Feb 3 – 4	
Southern California Zone		Feb 3 – 4	
Colorado River Zone		Feb 3 – 4	
Balance of State Zone		Feb 3 – 4	
<b>FALCONRY</b>	<b>SPECIES</b>	<b>SEASONS</b>	<b>DAILY BAG &amp; POSSESSION LIMITS</b>
Northeastern Zone	Same as regular season	Oct 7 – Jan 14	3/day, possession limit 9
Balance of State Zone		Oct 21 – Jan 28 & Feb 3 -4	
Southern San Joaquin Valley Zone	Ducks only	Oct 21 – Jan 31	
Southern California Zone	Same as regular season	Oct 21 – Feb 2	
Colorado River Zone	Ducks only	Oct 20 – Feb 1	