

Waterfowl Regulations SUMMARY for the 2018/2019 Season

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Summary of Adopted Waterfowl Hunting Regulations			
AREA	SPECIES	SEASONS	DAILY BAG & POSSESSION LIMITS
Statewide	Coots & Moorhens	Concurrent w/duck season	25/day. 75 in possession
Northeastern Zone	Ducks	Oct 6 – Jan 18	7/day, which may include: 7 mallards no more than 2 females, 2 pintail, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads, 3 scaup. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
	Scaup	Oct 6– Dec 2 & Dec 22 – Jan 18	
	Geese	Regular Season Large Canada Geese: Oct 6 – Jan 13 White and white-fronted geese: Oct 6 – Dec 2 & Jan 5 – Jan 18 Late Season White and white-fronted 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.
Southern San Joaquin Valley Zone	Ducks	Oct 20 – Jan 27	7/day, which may include: 7 mallards no more than 2 females, 2 pintail, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads, 3 scaup. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
	Scaup	Nov 3 – Jan 27	
	Geese	Oct 20 – Jan 27	30/ day, which may include: 20 white geese, 10 dark geese. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
Southern California Zone	Ducks	Oct 20 – Jan 27	7/day, which may include: 7 mallards no more than 2 females, 2 pintail, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads, 3 scaup. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
	Scaup	Nov 3 – Jan 27	
	Geese	Oct 20 – Jan 27	23/ day, which may include: 20 white geese, 3 dark geese. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
Colorado River Zone	Ducks	Oct 19 – Jan 27	7/day, which may include: 7 mallards no more than 2 females or Mexican-like ducks, 2 pintail, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads, 3 scaup. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
	Scaup	Nov 3 – Jan 27	
	Geese	Oct 19 – Jan 27	24/day, up to 20 white geese, up to 4 dark geese. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
Balance of State Zone	Ducks	Oct 20 – Jan 27	7/day, which may include: 7 mallards no more than 2 females, 2 pintail, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads, 3 scaup. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
	Scaup	Nov 3 – Jan 27	
	Geese	Early Season: (Large CAGO only) Sept 29 – Oct 3 Regular Season: Oct 20 – Jan 27 Late Season: (Whitefronts and White geese) Feb 9 – Feb 13	30/day, which may include: 20 white geese, 10 dark geese. Possession limit triple the daily bag.

Summary of Adopted Waterfowl Hunting Regulations, continued

SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREAS	SPECIES	SEASONS	DAILY BAG & POSSESSION LIMITS
North Coast	All Canada Geese	Oct 31 – Jan 27 & Feb 23 – 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	
Klamath Basin	Dark and white geese	Large Canada geese Oct 6 – Jan 13 White and White-fronted geese Oct 6 – Jan 18	30/day, which may include: 20 white geese, 10 dark geese only 2 may be a Large Canada goose. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
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 3 – Jan 27 & Feb 2 – Feb 18	20/day. Possession limit triple the daily bag.
YOUTH WATERFOWL HUNTING DAYS	SPECIES	SEASONS	DAILY BAG & POSSESSION LIMITS
Northeastern Zone	Same as regular season	Sept 22 – 23	Same as regular season
Southern San Joaquin Valley Zone		Feb 2 – 3	
Southern California Zone		Feb 2 – 3	
Colorado River Zone		Feb 2 – 3	
Balance of State Zone		Feb 2 – 3	
FALCONRY	SPECIES	SEASONS	DAILY BAG & POSSESSION LIMITS
Northeastern Zone	Same as regular season	Oct 6 – Jan 13	3/day, possession limit 9
Balance of State Zone		Oct 20 – Jan 27 & Feb 2-3	
Southern San Joaquin Valley Zone	Ducks only	Oct 20 – Jan 30	
Southern California Zone	Same as regular season	Oct 20 – Feb 1	
Colorado River Zone	Ducks only	Oct 19 – Jan 31	