

2004-2005 New Jersey Small Game Hunting Seasons

Species (alphabetical)	Inclusive Dates	Hunting Hours	Daily Limits	Notes
Chukar partridge and Quail	Nov. 13, 2004 to Dec. 4; Dec. 13, 14 and 16-31, 2004 to Feb. 21, 2005	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	Chukar - 7 Quail - 7	8:00 am start on Nov. 13, 2004 Pheasant and Quail Stamp required on designated areas (See page XX).
Coyote* and Fox Bow, Muzzleloading Rifle and Shotgun	Bow and Arrow only: Oct. 2 to Nov. 12, 2004	½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	Coyote - 2 Fox - None	Rifle permit required if hunting with rifle 8:00 am start on Nov. 13, 2004 Closed Dec. 6-11 and Dec. 15, 2004 except as noted (see page XX)
	Firearm or Bow and Arrow: Nov. 13, 2004 to Feb. 21, 2005	½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	Coyote - 2 Fox - None	
Special Eastern Coyote* and Fox Season Bow, Muzzleloading Rifle and Shotgun	Feb. 1-21, 2005	½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	Coyote - 2 Fox - None	Permit required. Rifle permit required if hunting with rifle Calling and standing hunting only. Predator calling device must be in possession.
		½ hour after sunset to ½ hour before sunrise		10 or 12 Gauge Shotgun ONLY (#2 or #4 shot only)
Crow	Aug. 9, 2004 to Mar. 19, 2005 on Mondays and Thurs. - Sat. only.	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	None	8 am start on Nov. 13, 2004 Closed Dec. 6-11, 2004 See Migratory Bird Regs.
Gallinule & Rail (Clapper, Sora and Virginia)	See Migratory Bird Regulations	½ hour before sunrise to sunset	Gallinule - 10 Rail, Clapper - 10 Rail, Sora - 25 Rail, Virginia - 25	HIP number required. Non-toxic shot regulations in effect. See Migratory Bird Regs.
Goose, Resident Canada (Early Season)	See Migratory Bird Regulations	½ hour before sunrise to sunset		HIP number required. Non-toxic shot regulations in effect. State and Federal migratory bird stamps required if 16 years of age or older. See Migratory Bird Regs.
Grouse (Ruffed)	Sept. 25 to Dec. 4** Dec. 13, 14, 16-31, 2004 to Feb. 21, 2005	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	3	8:00 am start on Nov. 13, 2004
Opossum & Raccoon	Oct. 1, 2004 to Mar. 1, 2005	1 hour after sunset to 1 hour before sunrise	Opossum - None Raccoon - None	Closed Dec. 6-11 and Dec. 15, 2004
Pheasant	Nov. 13, 2004 to Dec. 4; Dec. 13, 14 and 16-31, 2004 to Feb. 21, 2005	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	2***	8:00 am start on Nov. 13, 2004 Pheasant and Quail Stamp required on designated areas (See page XX).
Rabbit, Hare and Jackrabbit	Nov. 13, 2004 to Dec. 4; Dec. 13, 14 and 16-31, 2004 to Feb. 21, 2005	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	Cottontail - 4 Hare - 1 Jackrabbit - 1	8:00 am start on Nov. 13, 2004
Squirrel (Eastern Gray)	Sept. 25 to Dec. 4** Dec. 13, 14, 16-31, 2004 to Feb. 21, 2005	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	5	8:00 am start on Nov. 13, 2004
Squirrel (Eastern Gray) Muzzleloading Rifle (.36 caliber or smaller)	Sept. 25 to Nov. 12, 2004** and Jan. 8 to Feb. 21, 2005	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	5	Rifle permit required. Designated areas only (see page XX).
Turkey (Fall, Either-	N - Oct. 25 to Oct. 30,	½ hour before sunrise	1	Permit required. Turkey

Sex)	2004	to ½ hour after sunset.		Hunting Areas 1 – 11, 20 and 21 only.
Turkey (Spring Gobbler)	Apr. 18 to May 27, 2005	½ hour before sunrise to noon	1 Male Wild Turkey	Permit required. See 2005 Turkey Permit Supplement.
Woodchuck - Bow, Rifle or Shotgun	Mar. 1 to Sept. 29, 2004 Mar. 1 to Sept. 28, 2005	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	None	Rifle permit required if hunting with rifle. Rifle hunting prohibited on State properties.
Woodchuck – Bow or Shotgun	Sept. 25 to Dec. 4** Dec. 13, 14, 16-31, 2004 to Feb. 21, 2005	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	None	8:00 am start on Nov. 13, 2004
Woodcock	See Migratory Bird Regulations	Sunrise to sunset	3	HIP number required. 8:00 am start on Nov. 13, 2004
Youth Turkey Day	Apr. 16, 2005	½ hour before sunrise to noon	1 Male Wild Turkey	Permit required. See 2005 Turkey Permit Supplement.
Youth Upland Bird Day	Nov. 6, 2004	8:00 a.m. to sunset	Pheasant - 2***	Selected WMAs & licensed semi-wilds (See page XX)
Youth Waterfowl Day	See Migratory Bird Regulations	½ hour before sunrise to sunset		

* All harvested coyote must be reported to a regional Division Law Enforcement Office within 24 hours.

** No firearm hunting is permitted on November 12, 2004 on those WMAs designated as Pheasant and Quail Stamp Areas.

*** The daily bag limit is two pheasants of either-sex in Pheasant Hunting Zones 1 and 3 and on all wildlife management areas and on Lakehurst Naval Air Engineering Station. The daily bag limit is two male pheasants in Pheasant Hunting Zone 2. (See page XX). No Sunday hunting. See exceptions on page XX.