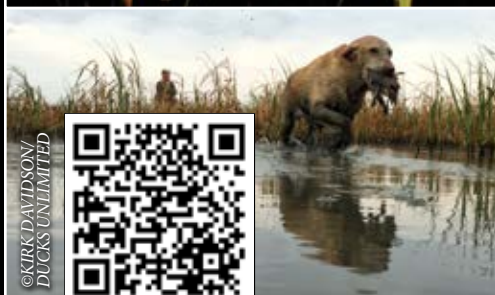


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cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/ContactUs.aspx

ONLY the offices below can assist hunters with animal checks and taking samples that are related to hunting activities. See the CPW website for a complete list of our 42 parks locations that can also sell licenses, issue duplicate licenses and accept licenses for refunds.

BRUSH

122 E. Edison
Brush, 80723
(970) 842-6300

COLORADO SPRINGS

4255 Sinton Road
Colorado Springs, 80907
(719) 227-5200

DENVER

6060 Broadway
Denver, 80216
(303) 291-7227

DURANGO

151 E. 16th St.
Durango, 81301
(970) 247-0855

FORT COLLINS

317 W. Prospect Road
Fort Collins, 80526
(970) 472-4300

GLENWOOD SPRINGS

0088 Wildlife Way
Glenwood Springs, 81601
(970) 947-2920

GRAND JUNCTION

711 Independent Ave.
Grand Junction, 81505
(970) 255-6100

GUNNISON

300 W. New York Ave.
Gunnison, 81230
(970) 641-7060

HOT SULPHUR SPRINGS

346 Grand County Rd. 362
Hot Sulphur Springs, 80451
(970) 725-6200

LAMAR

2500 S. Main St.
Lamar, 81052
(719) 336-6600

MEEKER

73485 Hwy. 64
Meeker, 81641
(970) 878-6090

MONTE VISTA

0722 S. Road 1 E.
Monte Vista, 81144
(719) 587-6900

MONTROSE

2300 S. Townsend Ave.
Montrose, 81401
(970) 252-6000

PUEBLO

600 Reservoir Road
Pueblo, 81005
(719) 561-5300

SALIDA

7405 Hwy. 50
Salida, 81201
(719) 530-5520

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS

925 Weiss Dr.
Steamboat Springs, 80487
(970) 870-2197

ADMINISTRATION

1313 Sherman St., #618
Denver, 80203
(303) 297-1192

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2016 WHAT'S NEW

» CHANGES TO HUNTER EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS...

These program changes only apply to individuals born on or after 1/1/49 who do not have a hunter education card. **Hunters age 50 or older or U.S. military personnel** have the option to test out of the hunter education requirements by scoring a 90% or better on an online test, which can only be taken once. Please see the website for the most up-to-date information on hunter education, cpw.state.co.us/HunterEd

The free Apprentice Hunter Certificate is a one-year waiver of the hunter education requirement with the aim of getting new hunters in the field. The apprentice hunter certificate can only be obtained once and is valid from April 1 to March 31. The apprentice certificate holder must be at least 10 years old and must be accompanied by a mentor at all times in the field. A mentor is someone at least 18 years old who has a hunter education certificate or was born before 1/1/1949. The mentor must carry proof of age and their hunter education certificate when in the field. A mentor can accompany up to two apprentices in the field. Please see the website for the most up-to-date information on hunter education, cpw.state.co.us/HunterEd

» **PACIFIC FLYWAY ZONES...** The Pacific flyway has been split into two zones—the Eastern Zone includes most high-elevation areas and the Western Zone includes most low-elevation areas. See pages 6-7 and 8-9 for details.

» **JUMPING COW SWA...** The Woodard Unit has new regulations. See page 16.

» **BOATING RESTRICTIONS REVISED...** On Jumbo Reservoir and Red Lion SWAs. See pages 16-17 for details.

» **HARVEST INFORMATION PROGRAM (HIP)...** will become part of the new licensing system this December. Hunters will do the HIP registration when they buy a small-game license from that point forward. Until then, the HIP registrations will be done in the traditional manner, either online or via live operator. See page 3 for details on the HIP program. The HIP registration numbers that have been given through the existing system up until that point will be “valid,” but a person purchasing a license after the new license system is operating will do the HIP through the license-purchase process only.

» **BAND-TAILED PIGEON NEWS...** Due to concerns about the population status of band-tailed pigeons, regulations in 2015 became more restrictive. Beginning in 2016, those wishing to hunt band-tailed pigeons must carry a band-tailed pigeon permit in addition to their small-game license. The permit can be purchased for \$5.00. See 2016 *Small Game brochure* for details.

LICENSE FEES

	RESIDENT	NONRESIDENT
» Habitat Stamp (required)	\$10	\$10
» Small Game (includes furbearers)	\$21	\$56
» Small Game (one-day)	\$11	\$11
» Small Game (additional day)	\$5	\$5
» Youth Small Game (Under 18)	\$1.75	\$1.75
» Small Game & Fishing Combo	\$41	n/a
» Colorado Waterfowl Stamp	\$5	\$5
» Federal Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp(Duck Stamp)	\$25	\$25
» Military (60 percent or more disability, see details below)	free	n/a
» Band-tailed Pigeon Permit	\$5	\$5

Prices include 25-cent search-and-rescue fee and 75-cent surcharge for the Wildlife Management Public Education Fund.

LICENSE INFORMATION

WHAT YOU NEED TO BUY A LICENSE

1. Current and valid photo ID (*Colorado identification must be issued at least 6 months prior to applying as a resident, see page 2*)
2. Proof of hunter education (*see requirements below*)
3. Habitat Stamp (*see page 2*)
4. For residents, proof of residency (*see page 2*)

HUNTER EDUCATION (SAFETY) REQUIREMENTS

Anyone born on or after January 1, 1949, must have hunter education certification. They must carry their card when buying or applying for their license and while hunting (unless previously verified – marked with a “V” as shown at the right).

Hunter Education Options Include:

1. Certification from a state-sponsored hunter education course. The course does not have to be a Colorado course.
- NEW! 2.** A one-time Colorado Hunter Education Apprentice Certificate is available free of charge. This is a one year exemption from hunter education (valid April 1-March 31). The hunter must purchase all required licenses. The apprentice hunter must be within voice and visual command of a mentor who is hunter education certified and at least 18 years of age. Apprentice certification from another state is not accepted.
- NEW! 3.** A Colorado online test-out option with a \$25 fee is available for hunters 50 years of age and older.
- NEW! 4.** A Colorado online test-out option with a \$25 fee is available for U.S. military (active-duty, veteran, reserve and National Guard). An approved military ID must be presented at a CPW office to complete certification.



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For additional information, or for a schedule of Colorado hunter education courses, go to: cpw.state.co.us/HunterEd.

YOUTH LICENSES AND MENTOR HUNTING

People under age 18 must have a license to hunt small game. A youth small-game license is \$1, plus surcharge. All youths must meet hunter education requirements. Those under 16 must be accompanied by a mentor while hunting. A mentor must be 18 or older and must meet hunter education requirements. Mentors aren't required to hunt. While hunting, youths and mentors must be able to see and hear each other without binoculars, radios or other aids. Youths can buy an adult license as long as they meet hunter education requirements. At age 18, hunters must buy an adult license.

DISABLED VETERANS

Colorado residents who are disabled veterans or Purple Heart recipients can get free lifetime combination small-game hunting and fishing licenses. You must have served on active duty and have been honorably discharged. Proof is required of a service-related disability rated by the Veterans Administration of at least 60 percent through disability retirement benefits or a pension administered by the Department of Veteran Affairs or respective service department.

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SAVE TIME: BUY ONLINE OR BY PHONE

Go to www.bit.ly/cpwlicensesales or call 1-800-244-5613. CPW offices and license agents also sell licenses.

PURCHASING A LICENSE

LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

- Hunters must have a small-game license, youth small-game or combination fishing/small-game license to hunt waterfowl. Hunters must carry their license when hunting and show it when requested by law enforcement officers.
- Hunters age 16 or older must have a \$25 Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp (Duck Stamp) and a \$5 Colorado State Waterfowl Stamp to hunt waterfowl.
COLORADO WATERFOWL STAMP: The state stamp is printed on your hunting license and validated by signing your name in ink across the imprint. The gum-backed state stamp is available for an extra \$2.50, if desired, and is mailed after July 1.
FEDERAL DUCK STAMP: The federal stamp is available after July 1 online, by phone and at select post offices (<https://www.fws.gov/birds/get-involved/duck-stamp/buy-duck-stamp.php>). It is valid when you sign your name in ink across the face of the stamp. It is also available at CPW offices and license agents. When purchased at state outlets, an electronic stamp is issued. This instantly gives you a unique code that is valid for 45 days from the date of issue, sufficient time for the gum-backed stamp to arrive in the mail. A federal stamp is not required to take light geese during the conservation order season.
- Annual fishing, small-game and furbearer licenses, as well as Colorado Waterfowl Stamps and Habitat Stamps are valid April 1 through March 31 of the following year. Lifetime small-game and fishing combination licenses are valid as long as you are a Colorado resident.
- If a license is restricted to a specific area, you can hunt only that area.
- Licenses and stamps are not transferable.
- False statements made in buying a license and altering a license are illegal and void the license.
- Lost or destroyed licenses can be replaced by buying a new one or signing an affidavit and paying a fee. Forms are available at CPW offices (listed on the inside cover of this brochure), license agents and state parks.

HABITAT STAMPS ARE REQUIRED FOR HUNTERS

Habitat Stamps are \$10 and only one is required per person per year for anyone ages 18-64. Stamps are valid April 1-March 31.

- » You must purchase a stamp before buying or applying for a preference point or a hunting or fishing license.
- » A lifetime stamp is \$300.25.
- » Anyone buying a one-day or additional-day license for fishing and/or small game is exempt from purchasing the Habitat Stamp with the first two of these licenses. The habitat fee will be assessed when a third one-day or additional-day license is purchased for fishing or small game.
- » Anyone who holds a free Lifetime Fishing License, a Veteran's Lifetime Combination Small-Game Hunting/Fishing License, or is approved for the Big Game Mobility Impaired Hunting Program is exempt from the Habitat Stamp requirement. See cpw.state.co.us/Accessibility

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS

The requirements to qualify as a Colorado resident to buy a hunting license:

- You must live in Colorado at least 6 consecutive months immediately before applying for or buying a license, and must intend to make Colorado home (except No. 3 and No. 4 below.) The residence address you give to buy or apply for a license must be the same as on your Colorado income tax return.
- A valid Colorado driver's license or Colorado ID is proof of residency if issued as least 6 months prior to buying or applying for a license. If your ID was issued or renewed less than 6 months prior, you must provide documentation that you were a resident for the required 6-month period.
- U.S. military personnel and military personnel of U.S. allies on active duty in Colorado under permanent orders and their dependents. This includes people who were residents when they entered the military and maintain Colorado as their home of record, and their dependents (who keep Colorado as their home of record.) Also included are personnel of the U.S. Diplomatic Service or diplomatic services of nations recognized by the U.S. assigned to duty here on permanent active duty orders and their dependents. Active duty does not include reserve status, National Guard or government contractors.
- Full-time students enrolled and attending an accredited Colorado college, university or trade school at least 6 months immediately before applying for or buying a license. This includes students who are temporarily absent from Colorado but still enrolled. Colorado residents who attend school full-time out of state and pay nonresident tuition still qualify for a resident license.
- Children under 18 have the same residency status as their parent, legal guardian or person with whom they live the majority of the time per court order.
- If you have a home in Colorado and another state, call (303) 297-1192 to make sure you comply with Colorado residency requirements before obtaining a hunting or fishing license.
- Except as in No. 3 and No. 4 above, you lose your Colorado residency if you apply for, buy or accept a hunting, fishing or trapping license as a resident of another state or country; register to vote outside Colorado or get a driver's license with an address in another state.

SECURE AND VERIFIABLE IDENTIFICATION

As required by the state's "Secure and Verifiable Identity Document Act," residents and nonresidents buying or applying for hunting or fishing licenses must show secure and verifiable ID. For a list of acceptable and unacceptable documentation, go to the CPW website at <http://cpw.state.co.us/Documents/RulesRegs/Brochure/SecureAndVerifiableIdentity.pdf#search=SecureAndVerifiableIdentity>

CHILD-SUPPORT DELINQUENCY

State law requires a Social Security number to buy a license. It is not displayed on the license but is provided, if requested, to Child Support Enforcement authorities. Hunting and fishing licenses are not issued to people suspended for noncompliance with child support. In addition, any current licenses become invalid if held by someone noncompliant with child support.

WEAPONS RESTRICTIONS

Colorado and federal laws prohibit people convicted of certain crimes, such as domestic violence, from possessing weapons even for hunting. If you've been convicted of a crime, check with the appropriate law enforcement authority to find out how these laws apply to you.



KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

Laws and legal hunting methods explained on page 11

HARVEST INFORMATION PROGRAM (HIP) 1-866-265-6447 (1-866-COLOHIP)

If you hunt small game, furbearers, or migratory birds in Colorado, including by falconry, you must sign up with HIP before your license is valid.

Hunters must write their HIP number in the space provided on the license. Hunters will be asked basic questions about their hunting, including how many birds they harvested the previous

season and what species they plan to hunt this year. A season means Sept. 1-March 15 of the next year.

Both the phone line and website run 24 hours a day, every day, and the process takes about 5 minutes. To sign up for HIP, hunters need to call 1-866-265-6447 or go online to www.colohip.com.

LEGAL HUNTING HOURS

Legal times to hunt waterfowl are one-half hour before sunrise to sunset.

In light goose conservation season, hunting is allowed one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

The sunrise/sunset chart below lists time in Denver. Subtract 1 minute from opening and

closing time for each 12 1/2 miles east of Denver. Add 1 minute to opening and closing time for each 12 1/2 miles west of Denver.

(These changes assume that each degree of longitude equals 50 miles and a change of 1 degree of longitude equals a 4-minute change in sunrise and sunset times.)



WALK-IN ACCESS PROGRAM

The Walk-In Access (WIA) program provides opportunities to hunt small game, migratory game birds and furbearers on enrolled properties.

WIA properties allow hunting small game, furbearers, migratory game birds and doves, but only during established season dates. Properties are closed to hunting Gambel's quail, Gunnison's sage-grouse and greater sage-grouse.

The brochure includes tips on how to have successful dove, pheasant and quail hunts in Colorado.

The regular season walk-in properties are open Sept. 1 through the end of February.

The late cropland season properties are open from opening day of pheasant season through the end of February.

Extended walk-in properties are open from the start of pheasant season through the end of March.

Properties are open to foot access only, from one hour before sunrise until one hour after sunset. They are open two hours before sunrise until two hours after sunset for waterfowl hunting.

Hunters must have a small-game license and Habitat Stamp to hunt on WIA lands. Properties enrolled are posted with Walk-In Access signs and published in the WIA atlas. Access is prohibited as posted when the landowner is actively harvesting crops.

Two atlases for 2016-17 will be published. The early version, the 2016 Small Game Walk-In Atlas is available late August and includes properties open Sept. 1. The 2016 Late Cropland Atlas will be available in late October and includes an updated property list.

2016-2017 SUNRISE/SUNSET TABLE (DENVER)

DAY	SEPT.		OCT.		NOV.		DEC.		JAN. 2017		FEB. 2017		MAR. 2017	
	RISE	SET	RISE	SET	RISE	SET	RISE	SET	RISE	SET	RISE	SET	RISE	SET
	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
1	6:29	7:30	6:57	6:41	7:29	5:57	7:02	4:36	7:21	4:47	7:07	5:20	6:33	5:52
2	6:29	7:29	6:58	6:40	7:30	5:56	7:03	4:36	7:21	4:47	7:07	5:21	6:31	5:53
3	6:30	7:27	6:59	6:38	7:31	5:55	7:04	4:36	7:21	4:48	7:06	5:22	6:30	5:55
4	6:31	7:25	7:00	6:37	7:33	5:54	7:05	4:35	7:21	4:49	7:05	5:24	6:28	5:56
5	6:32	7:24	7:01	6:35	7:34	5:53	7:06	4:35	7:21	4:50	7:04	5:25	6:26	5:57
6	6:33	7:22	7:02	6:33	6:35	4:52	7:07	4:35	7:21	4:51	7:02	5:26	6:25	5:58
7	6:34	7:21	7:03	6:32	6:36	4:51	7:08	4:35	7:21	4:52	7:01	5:27	6:23	5:59
8	6:35	7:19	7:04	6:30	6:37	4:50	7:09	4:35	7:21	4:53	7:00	5:28	6:22	6:00
9	6:36	7:17	7:05	6:29	6:38	4:49	7:10	4:35	7:21	4:54	6:59	5:30	6:20	6:01
10	6:37	7:16	7:06	6:27	6:39	4:48	7:10	4:36	7:21	4:55	6:58	5:31	6:19	6:02
11	6:38	7:14	7:07	6:26	6:41	4:47	7:11	4:36	7:20	4:56	6:57	5:32	6:17	6:03
12	6:39	7:12	7:08	6:24	6:42	4:46	7:12	4:36	7:20	4:57	6:56	5:33	7:16	7:04 ^{DST start}
13	6:40	7:11	7:09	6:23	6:43	4:45	7:13	4:36	7:20	4:58	6:54	5:34	7:14	7:05
14	6:41	7:09	7:10	6:21	6:44	4:45	7:13	4:36	7:19	4:59	6:53	5:35	7:12	7:06
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16	6:42	7:06	7:12	6:18	6:46	4:43	7:15	4:37	7:19	5:01	6:51	5:38	7:09	7:08
17	6:43	7:04	7:13	6:17	6:47	4:42	7:15	4:37	7:18	5:03	6:49	5:39	7:08	7:09
18	6:44	7:03	7:14	6:15	6:48	4:42	7:16	4:38	7:18	5:04	6:48	5:40	7:06	7:10
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22	6:48	6:56	7:18	6:10	6:53	4:39	7:18	4:40	7:15	5:08	6:43	5:45	7:00	7:14
23	6:49	6:54	7:19	6:09	6:54	4:39	7:19	4:40	7:15	5:09	6:41	5:46	6:58	7:15
24	6:50	6:53	7:20	6:07	6:55	4:38	7:19	4:41	7:14	5:11	6:40	5:47	6:56	7:16
25	6:51	6:51	7:21	6:06	6:56	4:38	7:19	4:41	7:13	5:12	6:38	5:48	6:55	7:17
26	6:52	6:49	7:22	6:05	6:57	4:37	7:20	4:42	7:13	5:13	6:37	5:49	6:53	7:18
27	6:53	6:48	7:24	6:03	6:58	4:37	7:20	4:43	7:12	5:14	6:35	5:50	6:52	7:19
28	6:54	6:46	7:25	6:02	6:59	4:37	7:20	4:43	7:11	5:15	6:34	5:51	6:50	7:20
29	6:55	6:45	7:26	6:01	7:00	4:36	7:21	4:44	7:10	5:17			6:48	7:21
30	6:56	6:43	7:27	6:00	7:01	4:36	7:21	4:45	7:09	5:18			6:47	7:22
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TIME ADJUSTMENT FOR OTHER COLORADO CITIES

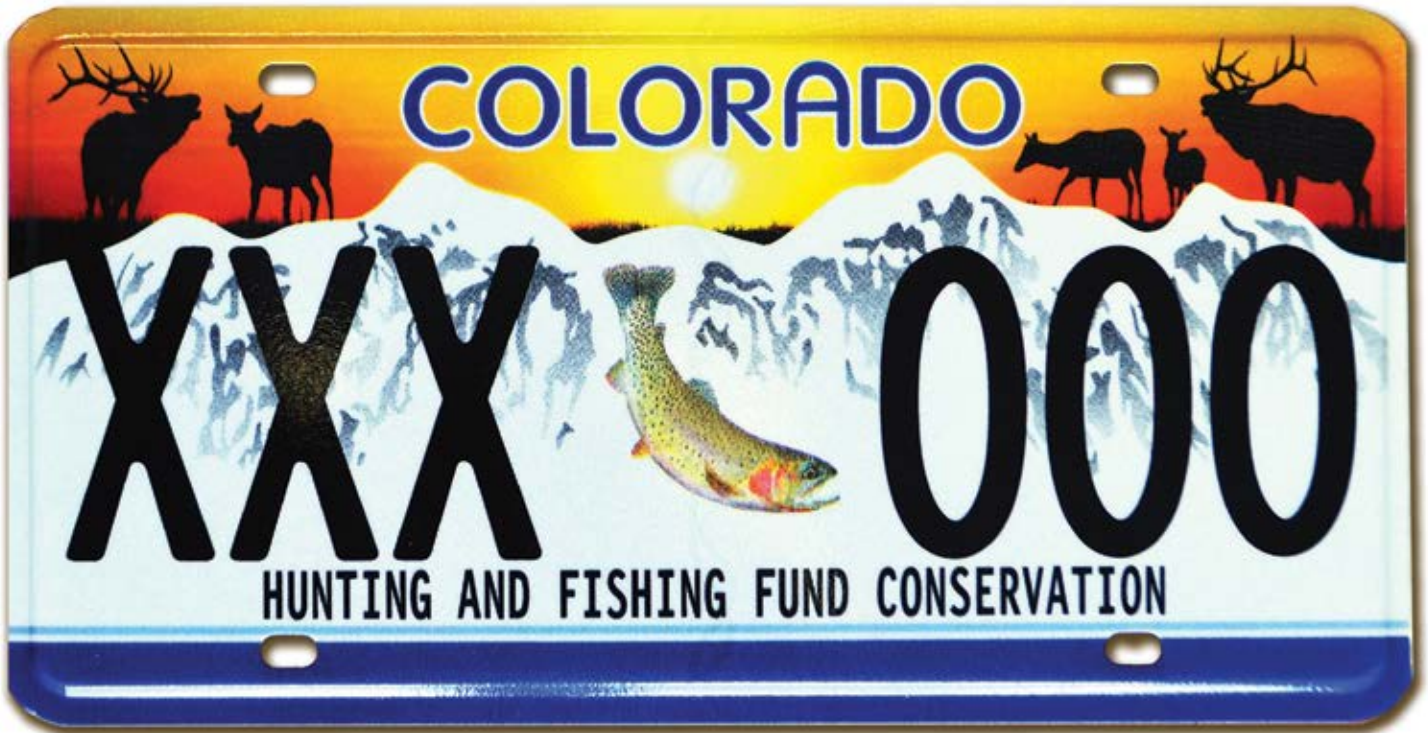
This table reflects the minutes to add/subtract to the chart above for select towns. These are approximate, use only as a reference. Consult a state map for more details.

Alamosa	+3	Gr. Junction	+13
Buena Vista	+5	Gunnison	+7
Burlington	-10	La Junta	-6
Craig	+9	Lamar	-9
Durango	+11	Sterling	-6
Fort Morgan	-4	Walden	+5



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Show Your Pride, Colorado Style



If you're a Colorado sportsman, hunting and fishing is more than a hobby or pastime—it's a way of life. It's how you connect with nature and, just as important, connect with others who share your passion for Colorado's wildlife and outdoor heritage.

Now you can unite with other hunters and anglers in a display of pride and support by purchasing a Colorado Sportsmen's License Plate for your vehicle.

Designed by Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW), the plates feature bold imagery highlighted against the snowy backdrop of the Rocky Mountains. Elk are silhouetted against a vibrant sunset and a native greenback cutthroat trout is prominently displayed front and center.

Best of all, the plate's simple message, "Hunting and Fishing Fund Conservation," is a great way to educate others about the important

role sportsmen play in wildlife conservation. Hunters and anglers fund more than 70 percent of CPW's annual budget, which helps to protect critical habitat and manage 960 wildlife species.

The plates may be ordered at statewide DMV offices beginning Jan. 1, 2016. The annual renewal is \$25 plus vehicle registration fees. The proceeds from the plates go toward fish habitat, angling access and the development of public shooting ranges.

Show your support by purchasing a Colorado Sportsmen's License Plate today.

For further information, visit: cpw.state.co.us/Sportsmen-Plate





Attention: Snow goose hunters

If you removed the plug from your shotgun during the 2016 Light Goose Conservation Order season, remember to replace the plug in your gun before hunting in the fall small-game and waterfowl seasons.

TAGGING, SHIPPING, IMPORTING

1. A carcass tag must be attached to wildlife requiring one.
2. Licensees must accompany wildlife not requiring a carcass tag (*except as in No. 4*).
3. One fully feathered wing or head must be attached to birds in transit until they arrive at hunter's home or commercial processing facility.
4. To ship migratory birds, packages must be marked outside with name and address of sender, name and address of receiver and number of birds, by species. Licenses, a photocopy of the license or carcass tag must accompany wildlife shipped by common carrier.
5. It is illegal to leave migratory birds anywhere other than at your home or with someone else for picking, cleaning, processing, permanent or temporary storage or taxidermy unless the birds or package of birds have a tag attached. You must sign tags, include your address, total number and species of birds, date of kill and your hunting license number.
6. Migratory bird preservation facilities:
 - a. If you have someone else's migratory birds for picking, cleaning, freezing, processing, storing or shipping, you must have records showing the number of each species, date you received them, date birds were disposed of, and name and address of who received the birds.
 - b. You must keep records 1 year after the last entry.
 - c. You must allow people authorized to enforce this regulation to enter the facilities at reasonable hours to inspect records and premises.
7. Per week, beginning on Sunday, it is illegal to import more than 25 doves and 10 pigeons from a foreign country; or more than 10

WATCH FOR BANDED BIRDS

Wildlife managers need help gathering information about the migratory bird populations. If you kill a banded bird, please report it to the USGS Bird Banding Lab, www.reportband.gov or call 1-800-327-BAND.

ducks and 5 geese from a foreign country, except Canada and Mexico. Doves and waterfowl imported from Canada and Mexico cannot exceed Canadian and Mexican export limits. One fully feathered wing must stay attached to birds transported and shipped between ports of entry and someone's home or a migratory bird facility. It is illegal to import someone else's birds.

8. It is illegal to take, have, transport, import or export migratory birds, their parts, nests or eggs that were taken, bought, sold, transported, possessed or exported illegally.
9. It is illegal to have or transport live migratory birds, including wounded birds. You must kill migratory game birds immediately after recovering them.
10. No permit is required to have or transport plumage and skins of legally taken migratory birds for your own use.
11. No permit required to have, dispose of and transport feathers of wild ducks and wild geese legally killed, or of birds seized by wildlife authorities. It is legal to use feathers to make fishing flies, bed pillows, mattresses and similar commercial items, except millinery or ornamental use.
12. It is illegal to buy, sell, barter, or offer to buy or sell feathers or mounted specimens of migratory game birds.

the recipient's home. A like-license is for the same species, sex, dates and manner of take as the donor's license. Bag and possession limits apply to donors and recipients and birds must be properly tagged. See "Tagging, Shipping, Importing," above.

WILDLIFE CAUSING DAMAGE

Colorado law allows landowners to protect private property from most wildlife damage. For information, call the CPW at (303) 297-1192.

CALL BEFORE DIGGING

1-800-922-1987

Colorado law requires waterfowl hunters to call the Utility Notification Center of Colorado before digging hunting pits. By doing so, hunters can avoid accidentally hitting electric, gas, water and other utility lines.

DONATING WILDLIFE

You can donate edible parts of wildlife to a like-license holder anywhere or to anyone at

HUNTING DEFINITIONS

AGGREGATE: Total number of animals allowed to be taken in one day, by one person. This is equal to the largest daily bag limit.

DAILY BAG LIMIT: Maximum number of birds you can kill daily, including birds eaten or donated the day you killed them.

CENTRAL FLYWAY: East of the Continental Divide.

GEESE: All species of geese and brant. Light geese means lesser snow geese (including blue), greater snow geese and Ross' geese. Dark geese means Canada geese, white-fronted geese, brant and all other species of geese except light geese.

MANIPULATION: Alteration of natural vegetation or agricultural crops by activities that include, but are not limited to, mowing, shredding, discing, rolling, chopping, trampling, flattening, burning or herbicide treatments. Manipulation does not include distributing or scattering grain, seed or other feed after removal from or storage on the field where grown.

MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS: Migratory birds included in conventions between U.S. and foreign countries to protect birds for which seasons are established. They are: waterfowl (ducks, including mergansers; and geese, including brant), mourning and white-winged doves, sandhill cranes, American coots, sora, Virginia rail, Wilson's snipe, band-tailed pigeons, crows.

NATURAL VEGETATION: Non-agricultural, native or natural plants growing from planting, or existing seeds and other propagules. This does not include planted millet. However, millet growing on its own after planting year is considered natural vegetation.

NON-TOXIC SHOT: Any shot type approved to take migratory game birds according to 50 CFR 20.21 (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service). See page 10 for table and details.

NORMAL AGRICULTURAL OPERATION: Planting, harvesting, post-harvest manipulation or agricultural practice conducted according to 50 CFR 20.11 (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service).

NORMAL AGRICULTURAL PLANTING, HARVESTING OR POST-HARVEST MANIPULATION: Planting or harvesting to produce and gather crops or manipulation after harvest and removal of grain, conducted according to 50 CFR 20.11 (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service).

NORMAL SOIL STABILIZATION PRACTICE: Planting for agricultural soil erosion control or post-mining reclamation conducted according to 50 CFR 20.11 (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service).

PACIFIC FLYWAY: West of the Continental Divide.

POSSESSION LIMIT: Maximum number of birds allowed at any time.

SINKBOX: Raft or low-floating device with a depression concealing a person below the surface of the water.



GOOSE SEASON REGULATIONS, BAG LIMITS

CENTRAL FLYWAY

REGULAR SEASON

AREAS: East of Continental Divide, except areas designated as part of special seasons below that include: Northern Front Range, North Park and South Park/San Luis Valley

DARK GEESE —

DATES: Oct. 31-Feb. 12, 2017

DAILY BAG LIMIT: 5

POSSESSION LIMIT: 15

LIGHT GEESE —

DATES: Oct. 29-Feb. 12, 2017

DAILY BAG LIMIT: 50

POSSESSION LIMIT: Unlimited

LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER SEASON

AREAS: East of I-25

DATES: Feb. 13-April 30, 2017

DAILY BAG LIMIT: Unlimited

POSSESSION LIMIT: Unlimited

NOTE: See page 11, No. 8 of "Legal Hunting Methods" section for special season rules.

NORTHERN FRONT RANGE SEASON

AREAS: Boulder, Larimer and Weld counties from the Continental Divide east along the Wyoming border to Hwy. 85, south on Hwy. 85 to Adams Co. line, and all of Adams, Arapahoe, Broomfield, Clear Creek, Denver, Douglas, Gilpin and Jefferson counties.

DARK GEESE —

DATES: Oct. 1-19; Nov. 19-Feb. 12, 2017

DAILY BAG LIMIT: 5

POSSESSION LIMIT: 15

LIGHT GEESE —

DATES: Oct. 29-Feb. 12, 2017

DAILY BAG LIMIT: 50

POSSESSION LIMIT: Unlimited

www.Flyways.us

Visit for updated information on waterfowl hunting management throughout North America. On this site the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Flyways provide reports on waterfowl population surveys, harvest summaries, banding information, waterfowl identification tools, and other information of interest to waterfowl hunters.



NORTH PARK SEASON

AREAS: Jackson County

DARK GEESE —

DATES: Oct. 1-19; Nov. 19-Feb. 12, 2017

DAILY BAG LIMIT: 5

POSSESSION LIMIT: 15

LIGHT GEESE —

DATES: Oct. 29-Feb. 12, 2017

DAILY BAG LIMIT: 50

POSSESSION LIMIT: Unlimited

SOUTH PARK/SAN LUIS VALLEY

AREAS: Alamosa, Chaffee, Conejos, Costilla, Custer, Fremont, Lake, Park, Rio Grande and Teller counties. And the parts of Hinsdale, Mineral and Saguache counties east of the Continental Divide.

DARK GEESE —

DATES: Oct. 1-19; Nov. 19-Feb. 12, 2017

DAILY BAG LIMIT: 5

POSSESSION LIMIT: 15

LIGHT GEESE —

DATES: Oct. 29-Feb. 12, 2017

DAILY BAG LIMIT: 50

POSSESSION LIMIT: Unlimited

PACIFIC FLYWAY

REGULAR SEASON

NEW! WESTERN ZONE:

AREA: West of Continental Divide not included in Eastern Zone

DATES: Oct. 1-Oct. 10; Nov. 5-Jan. 29, 2017

DARK GEESE —

DAILY BAG LIMIT: 4

POSSESSION LIMIT: 12

LIGHT GEESE —

DAILY BAG LIMIT: 10

POSSESSION LIMIT: 30

NEW! EASTERN ZONE:

AREA: Routt, Grand, Summit, Eagle and Pitkin counties, part of the Saguache, San Juan, Hinsdale and Mineral counties west of Continental Divide, and part of Gunnison County except the North Fork of the Gunnison River Valley (GMUs 521, 53 and 63).

DATES: Oct. 1-Jan. 4, 2017

DARK GEESE —

DAILY BAG LIMIT: 4

POSSESSION LIMIT: 12

LIGHT GEESE —

DAILY BAG LIMIT: 10

POSSESSION LIMIT: 30

EARLY CANADA GOOSE SEASON

AREAS: West of Continental Divide

DATES: Sept. 1-9 annually

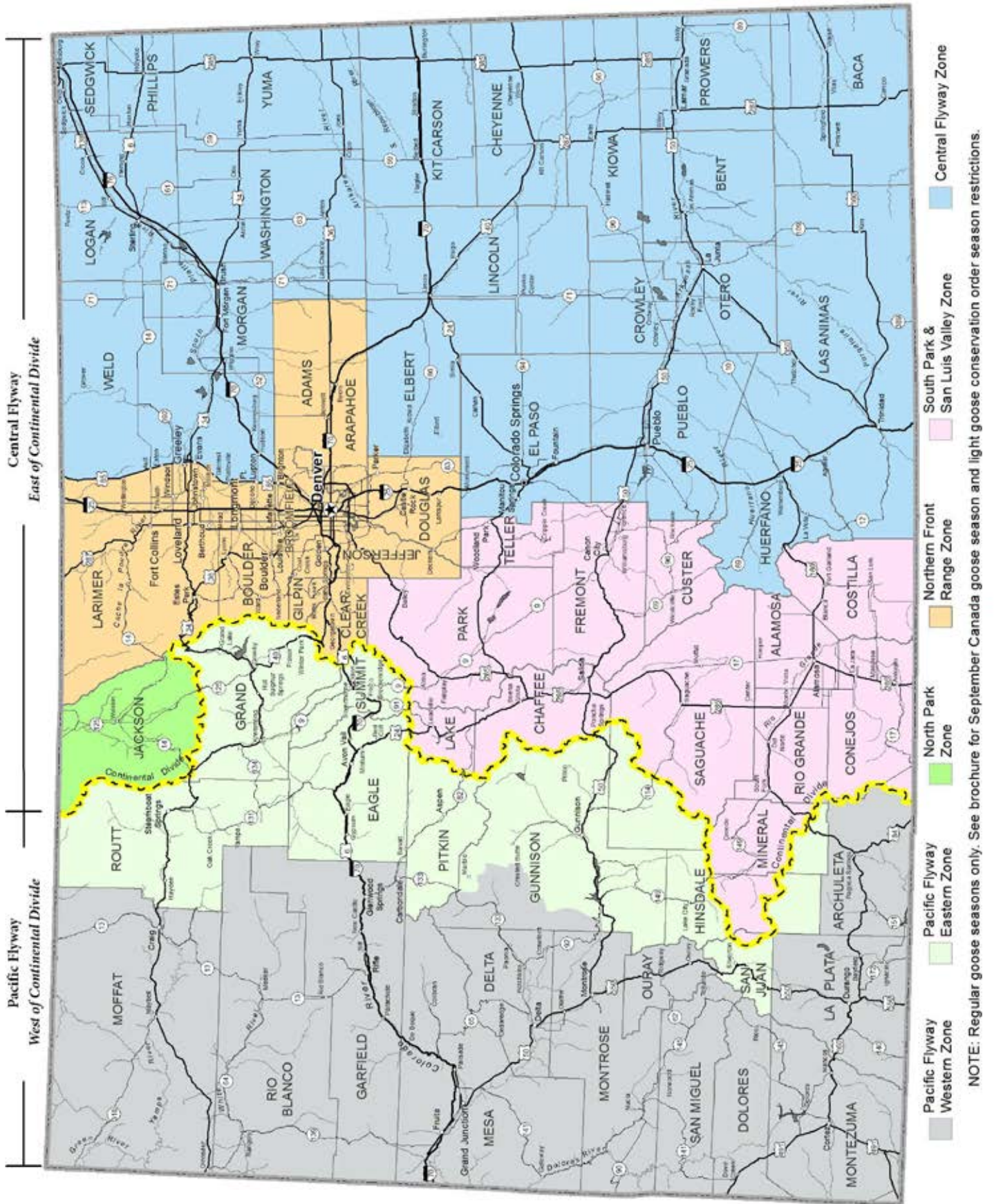
DAILY BAG LIMIT: 4 Canada geese

POSSESSION LIMIT: 12 Canada geese



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GOOSE SEASONS IN COLORADO



NOTE: Regular goose seasons only. See brochure for September Canada goose season and light goose conservation order season restrictions.



DUCK & COOT SEASON REGULATIONS, BAG LIMITS

CENTRAL FLYWAY

NORTHEAST ZONE

AREA: East of I-25 and north of I-70

DATES: Oct. 8-Nov. 28; Dec. 17-Jan. 29, 2017

DAILY BAG LIMIT —

DUCKS: 6, excluding mergansers. Up to 5 can be mallards, but no more than 2 can be female mallards. Included in the daily bag limit of 6, you can have no more than 2 pintail, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads, 3 wood ducks and 3 scaup.

COOTS: 15

MERGANSERS: 5; only 2 can be hooded mergansers

POSSESSION LIMIT: 3 daily bag limits

SOUTHEAST ZONE

AREA: East of I-25 and south of I-70, and all of El Paso, Pueblo, Huerfano and Las Animas counties

DATES: Oct. 26-Jan. 29, 2017

DAILY BAG LIMIT —

DUCKS: 6, excluding mergansers. Up to 5 can be mallards, but no more than 2 can be female mallards. Included in the daily bag limit of 6, you can have no more than 2 pintail, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads, 3 wood ducks and 3 scaup.

COOTS: 15

MERGANSERS: 5; only 2 can be hooded mergansers

POSSESSION LIMIT: 3 daily bag limits

MOUNTAIN/FOOTHILLS ZONE

AREA: West of I-25 and east of Continental Divide, except El Paso, Pueblo, Huerfano and Las Animas counties

DATES: Oct. 1-Nov. 28; Dec. 24-Jan. 29, 2017

DAILY BAG LIMIT —

DUCKS: 6, excluding mergansers. Up to 5 can be mallards, but no more than 2 can be female mallards. Included in the daily bag limit of 6, you can have no more than 2 pintails, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads, 3 wood ducks and 3 scaup.

COOTS: 15

MERGANSERS: 5; only 2 can be hooded mergansers

POSSESSION LIMIT: 3 daily bag limits

PACIFIC FLYWAY

NEW! WESTERN ZONE:

AREA: West of Continental Divide not included in the Eastern Zone.

DATES: Oct. 1-Oct. 19; Nov. 5-Jan. 29, 2017

DAILY BAG LIMIT —

SEPTEMBER TEAL SEASON

AREAS: Lake and Chaffee counties and all areas east of I-25.

DATES: Sept. 10-18

DAILY BAG LIMIT: 6

POSSESSION LIMIT: 18



DUCKS & MERGANSERS: 7 in aggregate. Of these, no more than 2 can be female mallards, 2 pintails, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads, and 3 scaup. No scaup can be taken after Jan. 10, 2017.

COOTS: 25

POSSESSION LIMIT: 3 daily bag limits

NEW! EASTERN ZONE:

AREA: Routt, Grand, Summit, Eagle and Pitkin counties, part of the Saguache, San Juan, Hinsdale and Mineral counties west of Continental Divide, and part of Gunnison County except the North Fork of the Gunnison River Valley (GMUs 521, 53 and 63).

DATES: Oct. 1-Jan. 13, 2017

DAILY BAG LIMIT —

DUCKS & MERGANSERS: 7 in aggregate. Of these, no more than 2 can be female mallards, 2 pintails, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads, and 3 scaup. No scaup can be taken after Dec. 25, 2016.

COOTS: 25

POSSESSION LIMIT: 3 daily bag limits

DUCKS OF COLORADO

The winter male plumage of some commonly encountered ducks are depicted here.

For more on identifying waterfowl, go to www.ducks.org/hunting/waterfowl-id.



Mallard



Redhead



American wigeon



Gadwall



Wood duck



Hooded merganser



Green-winged teal



Canvasback



Pintail

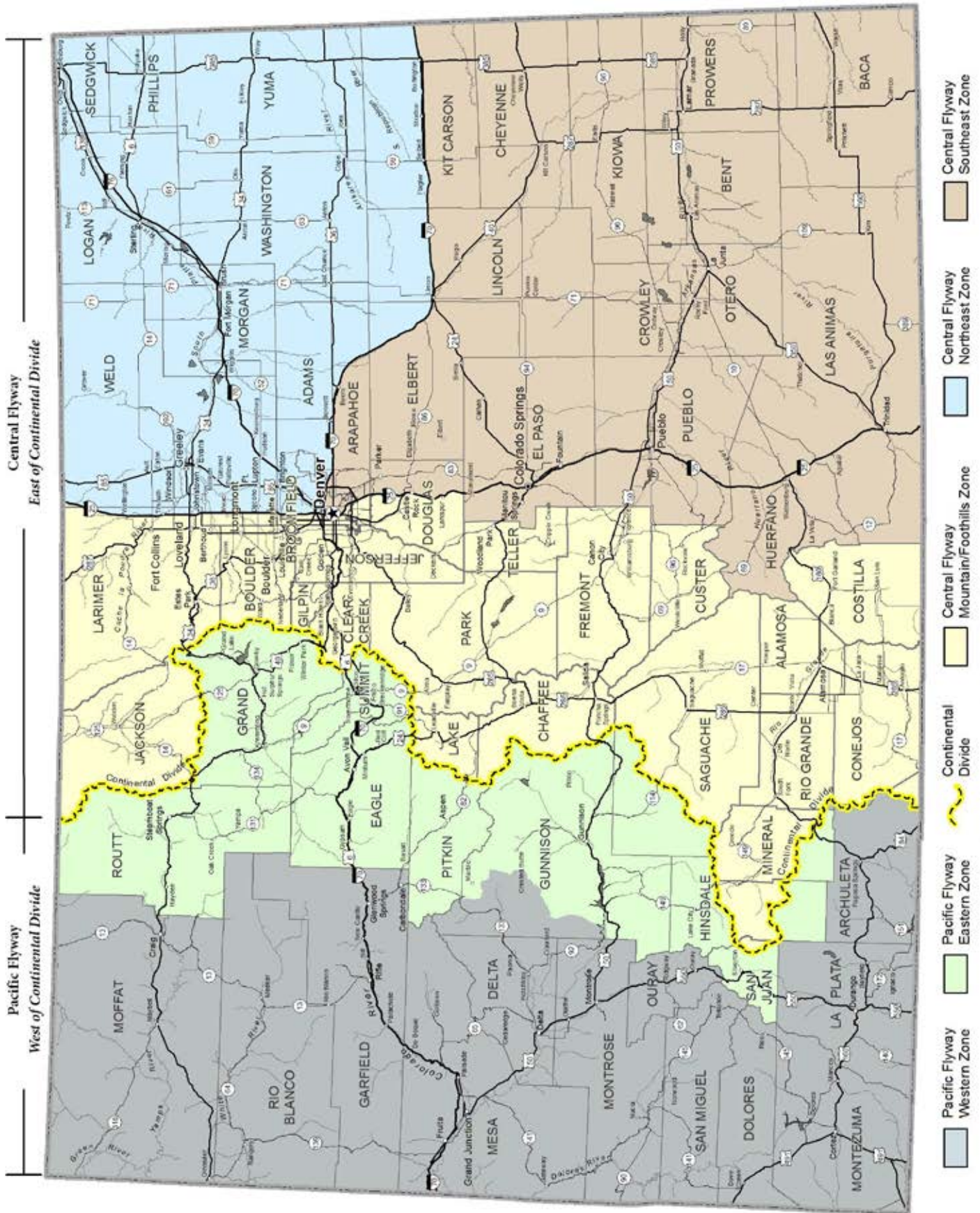


Lesser scaup



Blue-winged teal

DUCK SEASON FLYWAYS AND ZONES



NOTE: Regular duck seasons only. See brochure for September teal season area restrictions.



YOUTH HUNT REGULATIONS

NOTE: Hunting in youth seasons is restricted to youths age 17 and younger with a mentor. Mentors cannot hunt during youth seasons. Other rules apply. See "Youth Licenses," page 1.

CENTRAL FLYWAY

DAILY BAG LIMITS FOR ALL ZONES IN CENTRAL FLYWAY —

DUCKS, COOT, MERGANSERS: Daily bag and possession limits are the same as regular Central Flyway regulations, see page 8.

GEESE — DAILY BAG LIMIT: 5 dark geese

POSSESSION LIMIT: 3 daily bag limits

NORTHEAST ZONE

AREA: East of I-25 and north of I-70

DATES: Oct. 1-2

SOUTHEAST ZONE

AREA: East of I-25 and south of I-70, and all of El Paso, Pueblo, Huerfano and Las Animas counties

DATES: Oct. 22-23

MOUNTAIN/FOOTHILLS ZONE

AREA: West of I-25 and east of the Continental Divide, except El Paso, Pueblo, Huerfano and Las Animas counties

DATES: Sept. 24-25

PACIFIC FLYWAY

NEW! WESTERN ZONE:

AREA: West of Continental Divide not included in the Eastern Zone.

DATES: Oct. 29-30

DAILY BAG LIMITS —

DUCKS & MERGANSERS: 7 in aggregate. Of these, no more than 2 can be female mallards, 2 pintails, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads, and 3 scaup. No scaup can be taken after Jan. 10, 2017.

COOTS: 25

GEESE — DAILY BAG LIMIT:

4 dark geese, 10 light geese

POSSESSION LIMIT: 3 daily bag limits

NEW! EASTERN ZONE:

AREA: Routt, Grand, Summit, Eagle and Pitkin counties, part of the Saguache, San Juan, Hinsdale and Mineral counties west of Continental Divide, and part of Gunnison County except the North Fork of the Gunnison River Valley (GMUs 521, 53 and 63).

DATES: Sept. 24-25

DAILY BAG LIMIT —

DUCKS, COOT, MERGANSERS: 7 in aggregate.

Of these, no more than 2 can be female mallards, 2 pintails, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads, and 3 scaup. No scaup can be taken after Dec. 25, 2017.

GEESE — DAILY BAG LIMIT: 4 dark geese, 10 light geese

POSSESSION LIMIT: 3 daily bag limits



HAWKING & FALCONRY REGULATIONS:

CENTRAL AND PACIFIC FLYWAYS

DATES: Coincide with regular seasons in this brochure

DAILY BAG LIMIT: 3 singly or in aggregate

POSSESSION LIMIT: 9 singly or in aggregate

NOTE: The falconry bag and possession limit is not in addition to the gun bag and possession limit.

NONTOXIC SHOT REGULATIONS

1. It is illegal to use or have toxic (lead) shot, either in shotshells or as loose shot for muzzleloading, while taking or attempting to take ducks, geese or coots in Colorado. This includes national wildlife refuges open to hunting. Toxic shot, either in shotshells or as loose shot for muzzleloading, cannot be in a hunter's gun, on his/her person or near a hunter taking or attempting to take waterfowl. Store lead shot in your vehicle. You can store lead shot elsewhere if it's not readily accessible while hunting waterfowl.
2. Nontoxic shot is required in commercial wildlife parks, field trials and dog-training while hunting captive-reared mallards.
3. Nontoxic shot is any type approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Go to: <https://www.fws.gov/birds/bird-enthusiasts/hunting/nontoxic.php>
4. It is illegal to have or use nontoxic shot larger than size T to hunt ducks, geese or coots.

©TOM ROSTER'S 2013 NONTOXIC SHOT LETHALITY TABLE©							
Proven Nontoxic Shot Loads For Waterfowl & Upland Game Birds ¹ Load Velocity: 1,225 - 1,600 FPS	Typical Shooting Range of Activity (Yards)	Most Effective Nontoxic Shot Size(s) For Birds Listed Under ACTIVITY At The Distances Listed In The Second Column	Minimum Load Weight (Ounces)	Minimum Pellet Hits Needed on Lethal Areas for Clean Kills	Minimum Pattern Count Needed at Any Distance for Clean Kills (# of Pellets in 30" Circle)	Most Effective Choke(s) Given in Lead Shot Choke Designations	NOTE: The pellets in the steel shot loads listed in this table were traditional, highly spherical ball-shaped pellets of ~ 7.86 g/cc density and 90-95 DPH hardness. The HEVI-Shot pellets were of 12.0 g/cc density and slightly harder than traditional steel pellets.
Large Geese At Long Range Giant, Western, Atlantic and Interior Canadas	50-65 50-70	Steel BBB to T HEVI-Shot 2 to B	1-1/4 1-1/2	1-2 1-2	50-55 50-55	Improved Modified Improved Modified, Full	
Large Geese Over Decoys	35-50 35-50	Steel BB to BBB HEVI-Shot 2 to B	1-1/4 1-1/2	1-2 1-2	50-55 50-55	Improved Cylinder, Modified Improved Cylinder, Modified	
Medium/Small Geese Long Range Snow, White-fronted, Lesser Canadas	50-65 50-65	Steel BB to BBB HEVI-Shot 2	1-1/4 1-1/2	1-2 1-2	60-65 60-65	Improved Modified Improved Modified, Full	
Medium/Small Geese Over Decoys	35-50 35-50	Steel 2 to BB HEVI-Shot 4 to 2	1-1/8 1-1/4	1-2 1-2	60-65 60-65	Light Modified, Modified Improved Cylinder, Modified	
Large Ducks At Long Range Mallard, Black, Pintail, Goldeneye, Gadwall	45-65 45-65	Steel 2 to 1 HEVI-Shot 4	1-1/8 1-1/4	1-2 1-2	85-90 85-90	Improved Modified, Full Improved Modified, Full	
Large Ducks Over Decoys	20-45 20-45	Steel 6 to 2 HEVI-Shot 6 to 4	3/4 - 1 1-1/8	1-2 1-2	85-90 85-90	I.C. (20-35 Yds), Mod. (35-45 Yds) I.C. (20-35 Yds), Mod. (35-45 Yds)	
Medium Ducks Over Decoys Wigeon, Scaup, Shoveler	20-45 20-45	Steel 6 to 3 HEVI-Shot 6 to 4	1 1-1/8	1-2 1-2	115-120 115-120	I.C. (20-35 Yds), Mod. (35-45 Yds) I.C. (20-35 Yds), Mod. (35-45 Yds)	
Small Ducks Over Decoys Teal, Ruddy, Bufflehead	20-45 20-45	Steel 6 to 4 HEVI-Shot 6	1 1-1/8	1-2 1-2	135-145 135-145	Mod. (20-35 Yds), Full (35-45 Yds) Mod. (20-35 Yds), Full (35-45 Yds)	
Ring-Necked Pheasants	20-50 20-50	Steel 3 to 2 HEVI-Shot 6 to 4	1 1-1/8	2-3 2-3	90-95 90-95	I.C. (20-30 Yds), Mod. (30-50 Yds) I.C. (20-30 Yds), Mod. (30-50 Yds)	
Turkeys (Head and Neck Shots)	20-40	Steel 4	1-1/4	3-4	210-230	Full or Extra Full	
Northern Bobwhite Quail	20-30	Steel 7	5/8	1-2	170-190	Imp. Cyl., Light Modified	
Swatter Load For Wounded Birds	20-30	Steel 7 to 6	1	1	175	Improved Modified, Full	

This table summarizes Tom Roster's analyses to date of the waterfowl lethality data bases for certain of the 15 U.S. steel versus lead waterfowl shooting tests run between 1968 & 1982 & one steel-only pheasant shooting test plus lethality data bases owned by ammunition companies for birds taken with nontoxic shotshell loads Roster tested for them & the CONSEP organization. Note: Steel #BBB (.190") and HEVI-Shot #2 (.150") have exhibited the best all-around performance for taking geese; steel #3 (.140") and HEVI-Shot #4 (.130") the best all-around performance for taking ducks; and steel #2 and HEVI-Shot #4 the best all-around performance for taking ring-necked pheasants.
¹These findings are derived from testing 3" 20 gauge; 2 1/4", 3" and 3 1/2" 12 gauge; and 3 1/2" 10 gauge steel loads; plus 3" 20 gauge and 2 1/4" and 3" 12 gauge HEVI-Shot loads.
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HUNTING LAWS & LEGAL METHODS OF TAKE

Safe handling of game meat

Concern has grown about diseases affecting wild animals that could potentially make humans sick. Most of the time, properly handled and prepared game meat poses no greater risk than domestic meat of causing disease in humans. Hunters are encouraged to contact their local public health department or CPW office for information on wildlife diseases that may be present where they plan to hunt. Public health officials recommend the following precautions when handling and preparing game meat:

1. Do not handle animals that are obviously sick or found dead. Report sick or dead animals you find to a CPW office near you.
2. Keep game cool, clean and dry.
3. Do not eat, drink or smoke while dressing game.
4. Use disposable gloves when cleaning game.
5. Wash your hands with soap and water or use alcohol wipes after dressing game.
6. Clean all tools and surfaces immediately afterward. Use hot soapy water, then disinfect with a 10 percent chlorine bleach solution.
7. Cook game meat to an internal temperature of at least 165° F to kill disease organisms and parasites. Juices from adequately cooked game meat should be clear.
8. Do not eat any raw portions of wild game.
9. Do not feed raw wild game to domestic pets.

LEGAL HUNTING METHODS

1. Shotguns cannot be larger than 10 gauge. They cannot hold more than 3 shells in magazine and chamber combined (except during Light Goose Conservation Order Season, *see No. 8 below*). Shotguns must be fired from the shoulder. To reduce capacity of shotguns that hold more than 3 shells in the chamber and magazine combined, the magazine must be cut off, altered or plugged with a 1-piece filler that cannot be removed unless the gun is disassembled. Slugs are illegal to hunt waterfowl.
2. Hand-held bows allowed only if the arrow or bowstring is not held or drawn mechanically. It is illegal to use bows on firing lines designated by the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission.
3. It is legal to hunt waterfowl in the open, from a blind or other concealed place except a sinkbox. When camouflaged with vegetation from agricultural crops, camouflaging cannot result in exposing, depositing, distributing or scattering grain or other feed.
4. Hunting allowed from vessels (except sinkboxes) with motors or sails if the motor is off, and/or sails are furled and forward movement has stopped. Hunting is allowed from drifting vessels and those propelled by hand. Use of motorized vessels only allowed to pick up dead or injured birds.
5. Hawking or falconry is permitted.
6. Dogs, artificial decoys, duck calls or goose calls are legal, except recorded or electronically amplified calls or sounds. Recorded or electronically amplified calls are legal to hunt common crows.
7. The most restrictive state or federal laws apply. See cpw.state.co.us/thingstodo/Pages/waterfowl.aspx or www.fws.gov/hunting/whatres.html for a detailed summary of federal regulations on migratory bird hunting. More regulations also may apply to National Wildlife Refuges opened to hunting, go to www.fws.gov/refuges for details.
8. **IN LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER SEASON:** Recorded or electronically amplified calls are allowed. Shotguns that hold more than 3 rounds in the chamber and magazine may be used in this season only. Hunting is allowed one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. A federal migratory bird stamp is not required, but a Colorado waterfowl stamp is. (*See page 6 for season dates.*)

ILLEGAL HUNTING METHODS

1. Baiting. For information on federal baiting laws, go to <https://www.fws.gov/le/waterfowl-hunting-and-baiting.html>
 - a. It is illegal to take migratory game birds and waterfowl by the aid of baiting, or on or over any baited area, if you know or reasonably should know the area is baited. It is illegal to place or direct placement of bait on or next to an area to cause, induce or allow anyone to take or attempt to take migratory birds with the help of bait or over a baited area.
 - b. Baiting means directly or indirectly placing, exposing, distributing or scattering salt, grain or other feed as an attraction for migratory game birds to, on or over where hunters are trying to hunt. An area is considered baited for 10 days after complete removal of baiting material.
 - c. It is legal to take migratory game birds, including waterfowl, coots and cranes, on or over the following lands not otherwise baited: standing or flooded stand-

ing crops; standing flooded or manipulated natural vegetation; flooded harvested crop lands; where seeds or grains were scattered solely from normal agricultural planting, harvesting, post-harvest manipulation or normal soil stabilization practice; flooded, standing agricultural crops where grain is inadvertently scattered solely by a hunter entering or exiting an area, placing decoys or retrieving downed birds.

- d. It is legal to take migratory game birds, except waterfowl, coots and cranes, on or over the following lands not otherwise baited: where grain or other feed is distributed or scattered solely from manipulation of agricultural crops or other feed, or solely from normal agricultural operations.
2. It is illegal to use any artificial light as an aid in hunting or taking wildlife.
 3. Traps, snares, nets, rifles, pistols, swivel guns, punt guns, battery guns, machine guns and fish hooks, poisons, toxicants, explosives or stupefying substances are illegal.
 4. It is illegal to use live, tame or captive ducks and geese as decoys. All tame, captive ducks and geese must be removed 10 days before hunting. They must be in an enclosure that substantially reduces the sound of their calls and conceals them from the sight of waterfowl.
 5. It is illegal to discharge a firearm or release an arrow from, on or across a public road. Hunting with rifles, handguns, shotguns firing a single slug and archery equipment prohibited within 50 feet on each side of the center line of any public road. On a divided road, the prohibition includes the median, and the 50-foot requirement is measured from the center line of both roads. Waterfowl cannot be hunted from, on or across a highway, road, designated trail or other right-of-way (public or private) in national wildlife refuges.
 6. It is illegal to carry or have a firearm (except a pistol or revolver) in a motor vehicle unless chamber is unloaded.
 7. Possession of wildlife is evidence you hunted.
 8. It is illegal to kill, capture, wound or harass wildlife from an aircraft or motor vehicle. It is also illegal to operate aircraft, discharge firearms or release arrows from aircraft or motor vehicles with the same intent.
 9. It is illegal to waste or abandon edible portions of wildlife, or to leave wounded wildlife without trying to track and kill it.
 10. It is illegal to leave decoys or things used as decoys in the field or on water overnight on state wildlife areas.

HAWKING AND FALCONRY

1. Apprentices may hunt with only one raptor at a time.
2. A resident falconry license required.
3. Nonresident falconers must buy a nonresident falconry license from the CPW's special licensing section, a one-day small-game hunting license or a nonresident small-game hunting license. Hunter education laws apply.
4. Falconers must comply with HIP.
5. Firearms prohibited while hawking.
6. Hawking prohibited from a public road.
7. Hawking on private property is illegal without permission from owner or person in charge.
8. Nonresidents also must obtain an import permit at least 30 days in advance from special licensing. It is free, but a current health certificate issued within 30 days of the proposed entry from state of origin required. Import permit applications and import permits are available on the CPW website at cpw.state.co.us.

NOTE: This list includes some regulations for waterfowl hunters. It is not a complete list of regulations for these properties. See the 2016 Colorado Recreational Lands brochure for complete regulations. **DROUGHT CONDITIONS** exist throughout portions of the state. Please check water levels at Eastern Plains reservoirs before your hunting trip, as some may be dry or at extremely low levels.

LAND RESTRICTIONS AND USE RULES

1. It is illegal to hunt on private land without permission from landowner or person in charge. It is illegal to post or indicate that public lands are private. It is illegal to hunt on State Trust Lands without permission of lessee, except on lands open for wildlife recreation.
2. It is illegal to hunt waterfowl in federal reservations; areas the U.S. government sets aside as bird, game or other wildlife reservations, breeding grounds or refuges; or areas closed by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, except as permitted. More regulations may apply on national wildlife refuges. Contact: Alamosa and Monte Vista, (719) 589-4021; Browns Park, (970) 365-3613; Arapaho, (970) 723-8202.
3. **IN THE AREAS BOUNDED** on N by Wyoming; E and S by I-76, Hwy. 71, U.S. 36 and I-70; and W by the Continental Divide and Larimer-Jackson county line; and in Bent, Crowley, Kiowa, Mesa, Otero and Prowers counties:
 - a. It is illegal to hunt waterfowl within 50 yards on either side of center line of a public road.
 - b. It is illegal to hunt waterfowl within 150 yards of a dwelling, including directly above it, without first obtaining permission from owner, occupant or person in charge of the dwelling.
4. **PUEBLO COUNTY:** It is illegal to hunt waterfowl within 150 yards of a dwelling, including directly above it, without first obtaining permission from owner, occupant or person in charge of dwelling.
5. **ALONG THE COLORADO RIVER:**
 - a. **IN GRAND COUNTY:** Closed to waterfowl hunting from Shadow Mountain dam to Twin Creek after Nov. 13.
 - b. **IN MESA COUNTY:** Closed to waterfowl hunting on Colorado River and 200 yards on either side of river from Grand Avenue bridge in Grand Junction to west end of Horsethief Canyon State Wildlife Area from Wed.-Fri., except Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day.
Also, the river and 200 yards on either side of it are closed to waterfowl hunting from Appleton Drain to Hunter Wash (at the west end of Walker SWA).

LANDS WITH SPECIAL WATERFOWL REGULATIONS

ANDRICK PONDS SWA, MORGAN CO.

1. Public access is limited to 3 a.m.-9 p.m. Sat., Sun., Wed. and legal holidays only. Access is by foot only, through designated parking areas. Night hunting is prohibited.
2. From Sept. 1-end of regular dark goose season, only open for migratory bird hunting within designated hunting areas.
3. Hunting reservations required, see "Reservation Procedures" (*below*) for details. Maximum 4 hunters per area at any time. Hunters must follow check-in and check-out procedures as posted.
Hunters with reservations may not check in until 3 a.m. before the hunt, and may only hunt the area specified on the reservation or for which they check into.
Reservations valid until sunrise. Hunters may check in on a first-come, first-served basis after a hunter with a reservation checks out, or after sunrise, if there is no check-in card in the check station.
From Sept. 1 through end of goose season, maximum of three reservations per hunter each year.
4. From the Thurs. before Sept. 1 through the end of spring turkey season, scouting permitted from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Thurs. that are not open to hunting in and prior to waterfowl and turkey seasons. All people scouting must check in and out at check station. Firearms, dogs not allowed during scouting.

5. No hunting on Clark Lake.
6. Hunting prohibited with centerfire rifles.

ARAPAHO NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE, JACKSON CO.

1. For information, call (970) 723-8202.
2. Units A and D closed to all hunting. Unit B open to migratory bird, small-game hunting through Dec. 31. Unit C closed to migratory bird hunting.

ATWOOD STL, LOGAN CO.

1. Open to public Sept. 1-May 31.
2. Hunting only on Sat., Sun., Wed., Labor Day, Columbus Day (observed), Veterans Day, (observed) Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day and Presidents Day.
3. Reservations are required for small-game and waterfowl hunting. See "Reservation Procedures" (*below*) for details. Hunters may hunt only area specified on reservation. Mandatory check in and check out as posted.
4. Three reservations may be issued per day on the up-river west side of Hwy. 63; two for the general public; one for hunters with mobility impairments. No more than four people per reservation.
5. Launching or take out of vessels prohibited from first day of teal season through dark goose season.
6. Hunting prohibited with centerfire rifles.

RESERVATION PROCEDURES

For properties that specify reservations are available or required, call **1-800-846-9453** (1-800-UGO-WILD)

- » **RESERVATIONS NOT ACCEPTED MORE THAN 14 DAYS IN ADVANCE** of hunt date nor after noon the day before the hunt date or noon Friday for hunts on Sunday and holidays falling on Monday.
- » **TO CANCEL**, hunters must do so by noon the day before the hunt date. Failing to cancel reservations or follow check-station procedures may result in losing future reservation rights for the rest of the hunting season.
- » **MAXIMUM 1 RESERVATION PER HUNT DATE** and 1 reservation per phone call. Reservations are not transferable. To make the reservation, a person must have a valid license for the species to be hunted and must be at the property the day of the hunt.
- » **HUNTERS MAY ONLY HUNT** the area specified on the reservation, unless stated otherwise in the following listings.

IN GRAND VALLEY:

Reservations must be made on these Grand Valley properties below by calling (970) 255-6161. All other reservation rules apply.

- » Colorado River Island SWA
- » Franklin Island SWA
- » Highline Lake State Park
- » Horsethief Canyon SWA
- » James M. Robb Colorado River State Park
- » Orchard Mesa SWA
- » Tilman Bishop SWA

ATWOOD SWA, LOGAN CO.

1. Public access by foot, through designated parking areas.
2. No reservations needed for waterfowl or small-game hunting.
3. Launching or take out of vessels prohibited from first day of teal season through dark goose season.

BANNER LAKES SWA, WELD CO.

1. Access by foot only, through designated parking areas.
2. Open for waterfowl hunting only from the first day of regular waterfowl season to the day before opening of pheasant season. Hunting only on Sat., Sun., Mon. and legal holidays.
 - a. Reservations available for waterfowl, but not required. See "Reservation Procedures" (page 12) for details. Hunters can only hunt the area specified on the reservation. Maximum 4 hunters per reservation.
 - b. Reservations valid during reserved day until hunter with reservation checks out. Hunters may check in on first-come, first-served basis after a hunter with a reservation checks out. If a reserved area is not claimed by legal sunrise, or if no reservation exists for a hunt area, hunters may check in after midnight the morning before the hunt.
3. Waterfowl hunters must follow check-in and check-out procedures as posted.
4. From the Thurs. before Sept. 1 through the end of dark goose season, scouting permitted from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Thurs. that are not open to hunting in and prior to waterfowl seasons. Must have reservation or letter from CPW. All people must check in and out at check station. Firearms, dogs not allowed during scouting.

BARR LAKE STATE PARK, ADAMS CO.

1. Waterfowl hunting only, and only on Sat. and Wed.
3. Hunting by reservation only. See "Reservation Procedures" (page 12) for details. Mandatory check in and check out as posted.
2. Hunting is from designated blinds only. Maximum 3 hunters per blind. Unreserved blinds will be available on first-come, first-served basis after 5 a.m. each day. Reserved blinds unoccupied by 7 a.m. are first come, first served.

BRAVO STL, LOGAN CO.

1. Access from designated parking at Bravo SWA only.
2. Launching or take out of vessels prohibited from first day of teal season through dark goose season.

BRAVO SWA, LOGAN CO.

1. Access from designated parking only.
2. Launching or take out of vessels prohibited from first day of teal season through dark goose season.

ON SCALVA PARCEL: All public access requires a reservation. See "Reservation Procedures" (page 12) for details. Limited to 3 groups of 4 hunters each per day.

- a. Access by foot only 4 a.m.-9 p.m. through designated parking and mandatory check station.
- b. From Sept. 1-May 31, only hunting is allowed and is limited to archery, muzzleloading and shotgun during established seasons. Hunting is only on

Sat., Sun., Wed., Labor Day, Columbus Day (observed), Veterans Day (observed), Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day and Presidents Day.

BROWNS PARK NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE, MOFFAT CO.

1. For information, call (970) 365-3613.
2. Butch Cassidy Lake, Hog Lake and the river corridor are open to waterfowl hunting. All other units are closed.

BRUSH SWA, MORGAN CO.

1. Public access only from 3 a.m.-9 p.m., except with night-hunting permit. Access from designated parking only.
2. No reservations needed for waterfowl or small-game hunting.
3. Launching or take out of vessels prohibited from first day of teal season through dark goose season.

BRUSH PRAIRIE PONDS SWA, MORGAN CO.

1. Public access only from 3 a.m.-9 p.m., except with night-hunting permit. Parking in designated areas only.
2. All land users must check in and check out at the designated check station at Brush Memorial Park. Maximum 4 hunters allowed in each area.
3. When open to hunting, no more than 2 vehicles allowed for each group. Before Dec. 1, hunters must park in the area they check into.
4. From Sept. 1-Nov. 30, only migratory-bird hunting allowed and only on Sat., Sun., Wed., Columbus Day (observed), Veterans Day (observed), and Thanksgiving Day.
5. From Sept. 1-Dec. 1, reservations required until sunrise. See "Reservation Procedures" (page 12) for details. Maximum 3 reservations per hunter annually. Reservations valid until sunrise, hunters may only hunt area specified on reservation or where they check into. Hunters with reservations may not check in until midnight the morning before the hunt.

Hunters may check in on first-come, first-served basis after a hunter with a reservation checks out, or after sunrise if there is no check-in card in the check station.

6. From Dec. 1 through the last day of regular goose season, only hunting is allowed. Reservations required until sunrise to hunt on Dec. 1 (first day for small-game and big-game hunting). Reservations not available from Dec. 2-end of dark goose season. Hunters may check in at one of five hunting areas on a first-come, first-served basis, after midnight the morning before the hunt. Hunters properly checked in to any of these areas may hunt anywhere on the property.
7. One hunting area is reserved for residents of the city of Brush and are awarded through lottery system. Applications to enter lottery available at the CPW office in Brush after the August Commission meeting. Hunters must have valid license for species to be hunted to enter the drawing. For complete application and hunt reservation details, call the Brush CPW office, (970) 842-6300.
8. From the Thurs. before opening of September teal season until Nov. 30, scouting permitted from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Thurs. that are not open to hunt-

ing in and prior to waterfowl seasons. Must have reservation or letter from CPW. All people must check in and out at check station. Firearms, dogs not allowed during scouting.

CENTENNIAL VALLEY SWA, WELD CO.

1. During waterfowl season, small-game and waterfowl hunting is only in designated zones.
2. Parking only in designated areas. No vehicle access outside of parking area.
3. During regular duck seasons, open only Sat., Sun., Mon. and legal holidays.
4. During regular duck seasons, reservations are required for waterfowl and small-game hunting. See "Reservation Procedures" (page 12) for details. Hunters with reservations can only hunt the area specified on the reservation. Maximum 4 hunters per reservation. Mandatory check out as posted at station for all small-game and waterfowl hunters.
5. Launching or take out of vessels prohibited from first day of teal season through dark goose season.
6. Dogs allowed only as aid to hunting.

CHUCK LEWIS SWA, ROUTT CO.

1. Open 4 a.m.-10 p.m. only, no overnight parking.
2. Waterfowl hunting permitted, except within 50 yards of CR 14F bridge.
3. Dogs allowed only as aid to waterfowl hunting or aid to a person with disabilities.
4. Launching or take out of vessels prohibited except when used for fishing.

COLORADO RIVER ISLAND SWA, MESA CO.

1. Only waterfowl hunting, and only from designated blinds.
2. Typically accessed through the "wildlife area" between 31 and 30 Roads in Grand Junction. Waterfowl hunters are asked to park at the waterfowl information sign. Two vehicles are allowed to park without purchasing the required State Park Pass.
3. Hunting by reservation only. See "Reservation Procedures" (page 12) for details. Hunters with reservations may only hunt the area specified on reservation. Mandatory check-in and check-out procedures as posted.
4. If no reservation exists for a hunt area, hunters may check in on a first-come, first-served basis after 5 a.m. the day of the hunt. Reserved areas not claimed by 7 a.m. will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. But, any area must be yielded upon request of the hunter holding a valid and active reservation for that area.
5. Dogs allowed only as aid to hunting.

CRAWFORD STATE PARK, DELTA CO.

1. Hunting prohibited as posted.

DILLON RESERVOIR, SUMMIT CO.

1. Waterfowl hunting prohibited on Labor Day and the Sat. and Sun. before Labor Day.
2. Dillon Reservoir Recreation Committee and Denver Water restrict hunting to designated areas only. For Details go to <http://co-summitcounty2.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/View/13410>

DOMELAKES SWA, SAGUACHE CO.

1. Access by foot or horseback only from designated parking. Parking allowed only in parking areas.

HUNTING CLOSURES DURING DEER SEASON

Waterfowl hunting and all other recreational activities except deer hunting are prohibited on the following lands during opening weekend of regular plains rifle deer season and on opening day and first weekend of late plains rifle deer season:

» STATE WILDLIFE AREAS:

Atwood, Bravo (and Scalva parcel), Brush, Centennial Valley, Cottonwood, Dune Ridge, Elliott, Jean K. Tool, Knudson, Messex, Overland Trail, Pony Express, Sedgwick Bar and Tamarack Ranch

» **STATE TRUST LANDS:** Atwood, Ford Bridge, Overland Trail and Red Lion Ranch

LAUNCHING VESSELS

Launching or taking out vessels from the water is prohibited from the first day of Sept. teal season until the last day of dark goose season on these properties:

» STATE WILDLIFE AREAS:

Atwood, Bravo, Brower, Brush, Centennial Valley, Cottonwood, Dune Ridge, Elliott, Jean K. Tool, Knudson, Messex, Mitani-Tokuyasu, Overland Trail, Pony Express, Sedgwick Bar and Tamarack Ranch

» STATE TRUST LANDS:

Atwood, Bravo, Ford Bridge, Overland Trail and Red Lion Ranch

2. Camping allowed during waterfowl seasons only in designated areas.
3. Dogs allowed only as aid to hunting.

ELLIOTT SWA, MORGAN CO.

1. Open to public 3 a.m.-9 p.m. daily. Open other hours only for hunters with night-hunting permit.
2. Launching or take out of vessels prohibited from first day of teal season through dark goose season.

ON UNION TRACT:

1. Open only for waterfowl hunting from designated blinds or as posted. Maximum 4 hunters per area.
2. Access from designated parking area only.
3. From September teal season through end of regular duck season, waterfowl hunting allowed on Sat., Sun., Weds., Columbus Day (observed), Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day.
4. Hunting reservations are required until sunrise, see "Reservation Procedures" (page 12) for details. Only three reservations per hunter each year. All hunters must check in and out as posted.

Hunters with reservations may not check in until 3 a.m. before the hunt, and may only hunt the area specified on the reservation or for which they check into.

Reservations are valid until sunrise. Hunters may check in on a first-come, first-served basis after a hunter with a reservation checks out, or after sunrise, if there is no check-in card in the check station. Reservations will not be posted at the check station.

5. Scouting permitted from the Thurs. before opening of September teal season until the end of regular duck season on Union Tract only. Scouting permitted from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Thurs. that are not open to hunting in and prior to duck seasons. Must have reservation number or letter from CPW. All people must check in and out at check station. Firearms and dogs not allowed during scouting.

ON HAMLIN TRACTS (N AND S):

1. Hunting is allowed every day for all game species that are in season.
2. From September teal season through end of regular duck season, hunters must check in and out of check station and may only hunt the area which they check into. Maximum 4 hunters per area at any one time. Hunters may check in on first-come, first-served basis after 3 a.m. or after another hunter checks out.
3. On Hamlin South Tract, hunters must comply with youth-mentor only restrictions as posted.
4. Outside of teal season and regular duck seasons, hunting is allowed without check in and check out requirements.

EMPIRE RESERVOIR, WELD & MORGAN COs.

1. Goose hunting prohibited below historical and recorded high-water line. Hunting also prohibited north of reservoir 20 yards above high-water line from the inlet structure, north and east to easternmost end of dike.

FLAGLER RESERVOIR SWA, KIT CARSON CO.

1. Boating prohibited during waterfowl season, except crafts propelled by hand, wind or electric motor.
2. Youth mentor hunting only. Only one mentor per youth may hunt.

FOSSIL CREEK RESERVOIR, LARIMER CO.

1. Closed to goose hunting as posted.

FRANK SWA, WELD & LARIMER COs.

1. Property closed to hunting.

2. No public access north of Poudre River.

FRANKLIN ISLAND SWA, MESA CO.

1. Only waterfowl hunting, and only from designated blinds.
2. Typically accessed from Corn Lake. A valid State Park Pass is required to enter Corn Lake.
3. Hunting by reservation only. See "Reservation Procedures" (page 12) for details. Hunters may only hunt the area specified on the reservation. Mandatory check-in and check-out procedures as posted.
4. If no reservation exists for a hunt area, hunters may check in on a first-come, first-served basis after 5 a.m. the day of the hunt. Reserved areas not claimed by 7 a.m. will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. But, any area must be yielded upon request of the hunter holding a valid and active reservation for that area.
5. Dogs allowed only as aid to hunting.

GRAND LAKE, WINDY GAP RESERVOIR, GRAND CO.

1. Closed to goose hunting on lakes and within 100 yards of high-water lines.

GUNNISON RIVER SWA, GUNNISON CO.

1. Access is by foot only.
2. Only waterfowl hunting with shotguns allowed.

GYPSON PONDS SWA, EAGLE CO.

1. Dogs are prohibited from March 15-June 15 and on the eastern ponds, except when used for waterfowl hunting.
2. Launching or take out of vessels prohibited.

HIGEL SWA, ALAMOSA CO.

1. Open only Sat., Sun., Weds. and legal holidays from Sept. 1-Feb. 14, and only with permit.
2. Maximum 25 permits issued free daily on first-come, first-served basis. From Sept. 1-30 and Nov. 11-Feb. 14, get free permits at the CPW office in Monte Vista, or through reservation system by calling (719) 587-6923. From Oct. 1-Nov. 10, permits available by phone reservations only. Contact the Monte Vista CPW office for details.

HIGHLINE LAKE STATE PARK, MESA CO.

1. Waterfowl and small game hunting only Mon.-Fri., except for youth hunting waterfowl during the youth waterfowl weekend season, Oct. 29-30. Hunting only in designated blinds; maximum 4 hunters per blind. Other small game hunting limited to state park on the north and east by the park boundary; on the south by the no wake bouy line; on the west by Mack Mesa Reservoir.
2. Waterfowl hunting by reservation only. See "Reservation Procedures" (page 12) for details. Mandatory check-in and check-out procedures as posted.
3. If no reservation exists for a waterfowl hunt area, hunters may check in on a first-come, first-served basis after 5 a.m. the day of the hunt. Reserved areas not claimed by 7 a.m. will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. But, any area must be yielded upon request of the hunter holding a valid and active reservation for that area.

HORSETHIEF CANYON SWA, MESA CO.

1. Open to public 5 a.m.-9 p.m. Open 24 hours for fishing only.
2. Waterfowl hunting is prohibited Weds.-Fri., except on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day.
3. Hunting with shotguns, hand-held bows and muzzleloaders only.
4. Quail hunting is prohibited.
5. Reservations not required for waterfowl hunting 100 yards east of Blind No. 1 to the eastern property boundary, including Skipper's Island.
6. From 100 yards east of Blind No. 1 to western boundary of the property, waterfowl hunting on Sat. is youth/mentor hunting only.
7. Waterfowl hunters on west end of property must reserve a blind and must hunt from or within 100 yards of that blind. Maximum 4 hunters per blind. See "Reservation Procedures" (page 12) for details. Hunters may only hunt area specified on the reservation. Mandatory check-in and check-out procedures as posted.
8. If no reservation exists for a hunt area, hunters may check in on a first-come, first-served basis after 5 a.m. the day of the hunt. Reserved areas not claimed by 7 a.m. will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. But any area must be yielded upon request of the hunter holding a valid, active reservation for that area.

JACKSON LAKE SWA, MORGAN CO.

1. Access only from designated parking areas.
2. During regular duck season, all hunters must check in and check out at check station.
3. Hunters may only hunt the area they check into. Hunters may check in on a first-come, first-served basis after 3 a.m. or after another hunter checks out of an area.
4. During regular duck season, small-game hunters are not allowed to hunt around ponds occupied by waterfowl hunters.
5. Waterfowl hunting boat reservations are no longer in place. Hunting is still allowed from boats until Nov. 1.

JAMES M. ROBB COLORADO RIVER STATE PARK, MESA CO.**ISLAND ACRES AND PEAR PARK SECTIONS**

1. Park in designated parking areas only. A State Parks Pass is required on all motor vehicles in the Island Acres section.
2. Waterfowl hunting only, and only from designated blind. Maximum of 4 hunters per blind.
3. Blind may be occupied from one-half hour prior to sunrise to one-half hour prior to sunset.
4. Hunting by reservation takes priority. See "Reservation Procedures" (page 12) for details.
5. If no reservation exists for a hunt area, hunters may hunt on a first-come, first-served basis.

34 ROAD SECTION

1. Park in designated parking areas only.
2. Waterfowl hunting only, and only from designated blind. Maximum of 2 hunters per blind.
3. Hunting by reservation only. See "Reservation Procedures" (page 12) for details. If you do not have a reservation, then you will not be able to hunt this property.

Tips for hunting ducks on Colorado's public lands

by Jerry Neal, editor for *Colorado Outdoors Online*

For most waterfowl hunters, finding a place to hunt is often more challenging than the hunt itself. These days, unless you have deep pockets for a private hunting lease or duck-club membership, the cost of entry can leave the average duck hunter out in the cold. Thankfully, Colorado offers a variety of opportunities to hunt waterfowl on public land.

Whether you're a beginner who is planning your first hunt or a more experienced waterfowler who has been away from the duck blind for a while, these tips and strategies will help you have a more enjoyable and successful season.

1. Locating a Location

Fortunately, many of Colorado's state wildlife areas, state parks, state-trust lands and WIA properties offer good waterfowl hunting. In fact, some of these areas provide top notch shooting that rivals the best private duck-clubs. Not all locations are created equal, however, so it's important to put in some time scouting to determine which areas hold birds and which are busts.

2. 'Fowl' Weather

Once you've selected a location, it's important to plan your hunt around the weather. Weather, more than any other variable, impacts hunting success. In general, the colder and nastier the conditions the better the duck hunting. Ducks are more active in cold weather, and the low visibility during storms makes them more receptive to decoys and calling.

3. Dress for Success

Waterfowl hunting requires you to remain stationary for long hours, making it extremely difficult to stay warm. A pair of heavy-duty, insulated chest waders is a must-have item for any waterfowl hunter. Not only will waders keep you dry while you're setting out decoys, but the thick, insulated material (neoprene or rubber) will keep you comfortable even on the coldest days.

4. Decoys

Decoys are a must-have item to bring ducks within shotgun range of the blind. A dozen mallards (a mix of hens and drakes) is a good place to start and are usually enough decoys for hunting smaller sloughs, marshes or rivers. For large lakes, reservoirs or agricultural fields, usually several dozen decoys are required to get ducks to commit to your location. For the best results, mix a few "feeders" and "sleepers" with your regular floating decoys.

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- Hunting is only available on weekends (Saturday and Sunday) during established waterfowl seasons.
- Blind may be occupied from one-half hour prior to sunrise to one-half hour prior to sunset.
- Please respect private property in this area and remain on CPW property for the duration of your visit.

JEAN K. TOOL SWA, MORGAN CO.

- Access through designated parking areas only, from 3 a.m.-9 p.m., except with night-hunting permit.
- No reservations needed for waterfowl or small-game hunting.
- Launching or take out of vessels prohibited from first day of teal season through dark goose season.

JOHN MARTIN RESERVOIR SWA, BENT CO.

- Open only to retrieve downed waterfowl from Nov. 1 through last day of waterfowl season as posted on U.S. Army Corps of Engineers property leased by CPW to provide for resting waterfowl, depending on water levels, weather and presence of birds.

JOHNSON POND, SEDGWICK CO.

- Goose hunting prohibited in area of Sedgwick Co. including: Hwy. 138 on N, Hwy. 385 on E, I-76 on S and CR 29 on W.
- Light goose hunting is allowed within the Johnson Pond Special Goose Closure only during special late light goose season and Light Goose Conservation Order.

JUMBO RESERVOIR SWA, LOGAN & SEDGWICK COs.

- Closed to goose hunting in parts of Logan and Sedgwick counties bounded on N by Logan CR 70 and Sedgwick CR 3; on E by Sedgwick CR 3; on S by Logan CR 970 and Sedgwick CR 24.8, and on W by Logan CR 95, except for Red Lion SWA as posted.
- Beginning Oct. 1 until the reservoir is frozen, only boats used for fishing, placing and retrieving decoys or retrieving downed waterfowl may be launched at the east boat ramp. Boats prohibited within 50 feet of outlet structure.
- No hunting on frozen surface of lake.

NEW! JUMPING COW SWA, ELBERT, CO. ON WOODARD UNIT

- Hunting restricted to waterfowl, small game(except dove, turkey and coyote).
- Permits issued with priority to mobility-impaired hunters and youth. Mobility-impaired hunters may bring 2 non-hunting companions and may use OHV for hunting and game retrieval as specified.
- Dogs prohibited.

LOWER LATHAM RESERVOIR, WELD CO.

- Hunting prohibited as posted.

MACK MESA STATE RECREATION AREA, MESA CO.

- Hunting, trapping prohibited.

MACFARLANE RESERVOIR STL, JACKSON CO.

- Open Aug. 15-end of Feb.
- Motorized travel to the reservoir to access waterfowl hunting allowed at all times on designated routes only.

MEREDITH RESERVOIR, CROWLEY CO.

- Hunting prohibited as posted.

MITANI-TOKUYASU SWA, WELD CO.

- During duck season, parking area open only 4 a.m. until one hour after sunset. Parking in designated spaces in parking areas only.
- Waterfowl hunting access limited to occupants of vehicles legally parked in designated parking area. Reservation required to get parking space from 4 a.m.-noon. See "Reservation Procedures" (page 12). After noon, all parking spaces are on first-come, first-served basis.
- Launching or take out of vessels prohibited from first day of teal season through dark goose season.

MOGENSEN PONDS SWA, MESA CO.

- Waterfowl hunting only and only from designated blinds.

MONTE VISTA & ALAMOSA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES, ALAMOSA & RIO GRANDE COs.

- For information, call (719) 589-4021.
- Hunting in designated areas only, access through posted parking areas only.
- Two blinds available on first-come, first-served basis.
- Nontoxic shot required for shotgun hunting.
- Decoys cannot be left unattended and blinds must be removed daily.
- Dogs allowed as an aid to hunting.

NEW WINDSOR RESERVOIR, WELD CO.

- Hunting prohibited as posted.
- Closed to waterfowl hunting within 400 yards

of occupied dwelling, without first obtaining permission from owner or person in charge, or within 0.25 of a mile from center line of these roads: from CR 74 and Colo. 257, north to CR 78; east to CR 21; south to CR 74; then west to Colo. 257, including the area within shape formed by these roads.

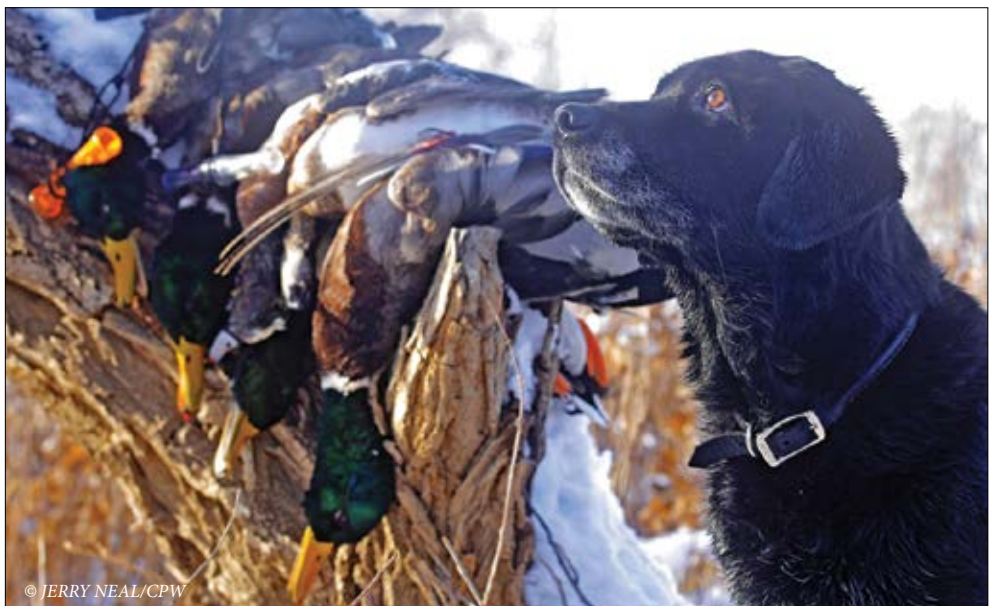
- Closed to waterfowl hunting within 150 yards of center line of Colo. 257 between CRs 78 and 74; CR 74 between Colo. 257 and CR 21.

ORCHARD MESA SWA, MESA CO.

- Open for public access July 15-March 14. Waterfowl hunting only, no small-game hunting.
- Only access is from parking area on "C" Rd., between roads 30 and 31. Vehicles prohibited beyond parking area.
- Waterfowl hunters must hunt from designated blinds or in the zone identified for each blind. Maximum 4 hunters per blind.
- Must hunt with bows and/or shotguns with shotshells only.
- Dogs allowed only as an aid to hunting.
- Waterfowl hunting by reservation only. See "Reservation Procedures" (page 12) for details. Hunters may only hunt the area specified on the reservation. Mandatory check-in and check-out procedures as posted.
- If no reservation exists for a hunt area, hunters may check in on a first-come, first-served basis after 5 a.m. the day of the hunt. Reserved areas not claimed by 7 a.m. will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. But, any area must be yielded upon request of the hunter holding a valid and active reservation for that area.

OVERLAND TRAIL SWA, LOGAN CO.

- Foot access only, from designated parking area.
- During regular duck season, waterfowl and small-game hunters must check out at designated check station.
- Launching or take out of vessels prohibited from first day of September teal season through dark goose season.



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PONY EXPRESS SWA, SEDGWICK CO.

1. Launching or take out of vessels prohibited from first day of teal season through dark goose season.
2. Goose hunting prohibited in area of Sedgwick Co. including: Hwy. 138 on N, Hwy. 385 on E, I-76 on S and CR 29 on W.

PREWITT RESERVOIR SWA, LOGAN & WASHINGTON COs.

1. Waterfowl hunting prohibited as posted to provide for waterfowl resting depending on water levels, weather and presence of birds.
2. Boating prohibited from Oct. 1 through last day of regular goose season, except hand-propelled crafts used in waterfowl hunting for putting out, picking up decoys, retrieving downed waterfowl.
3. Hunting prohibited from any floating device.

QUEENS SWA, KIOWA CO.

1. Boating prohibited if it creates a whitewater wake in channel between Lower and Upper Queens reservoirs.

ON UPPER QUEENS (including the channel), NEE NOSHE, NEE GRONDA:

- a. Mandatory check in and check out when check station is open.
- b. Open only to retrieve downed waterfowl Nov. 1 through last day of waterfowl season as posted.

ON LOWER QUEENS:

- a. Boating prohibited if it creates whitewater wake from opening day of waterfowl season until Dec. 1.
- b. Mandatory check in and check out when check station is open.
- c. Open only to retrieve downed waterfowl Dec. 1 through last day of waterfowl season as posted.

ON NEE SO PAH:

- a. Open only to retrieve downed waterfowl from Nov. 1 through last day of waterfowl season.

RAMAH SWA, EL PASO CO.

1. Only float tubes or crafts propelled by hand, wind or electric motor are allowed from Nov. 1 through the last day of waterfowl season.
2. Shotguns or bows allowed for hunting.

RED LION SWA, LOGAN CO.

1. Access from parking areas only.
2. Reservations no longer required to hunt.
3. Only float-tubes or carry-on crafts propelled by hand allowed for hunting or fishing purposes only. Hunting from any vessel or floating device is prohibited.

RIVERSIDE RESERVOIR, WELD CO.

1. Goose hunting prohibited as posted.

RUSSELL LAKES SWA, SAGUACHE CO.

1. Parking only in established areas.
2. Closes at 1 p.m. during first split waterfowl season.
3. Public access is prohibited from February 15-July 15 to protect wintering and nesting waterfowl and to protect administrative areas. Sect. 29 closed during waterfowl seasons.

SOUTH REPUBLICAN SWA, YUMA CO.

1. Parking only in designated areas. Waterfowl hunting access prohibited on downstream face of dam.
2. Waterfowl hunting prohibited as posted to pro-

vide resting areas for wintering waterfowl.

SWEITZER LAKE, DELTA CO.

1. Hunting waterfowl allowed on opening day and thereafter on Sat., Sun., Wed. and legal holidays.

TAMARACK RANCH SWA, LOGAN CO.

1. Hunters must park vehicle at parking area they are checked into and are restricted to that area until 9 a.m., at which time they may walk into and hunt adjacent areas.
2. Reservations are available but not required. See "Reservation Procedures" (page 12) for details. Reservations available for weekends and Columbus Day (observed), Veterans Day (observed), Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day and Presidents Day.
3. The first hunt date available for reservations is the Sat. after Oct. 24 and the last date available is the last Sun. of regular duck season. Weekdays, weekends and holidays outside the reservation period and any unreserved or open units are available for hunting without reservations and are regulated through check station. Hunters with reservations can only hunt area specified on reservation. Mandatory check in and check out as posted at station.
4. Launching or take out of vessels prohibited from first day of teal season through dark goose season.

5. ON AUGMENTATION PONDS:

- a. Waterfowl hunting is by a limited draw lottery reservation system from the opening day of second duck season through the end of regular dark goose season.
- b. Hunting allowed only on a specific pond/hunt areas on specific days. If a blind is provided, hunters must hunt from the blind. Shooting out of rear of the blind is prohibited.

Hunters must park in designated parking areas but may drop off and pick up decoys via existing 4-wheel-drive roads as posted. Hunters must stay on roads.

- c. Maximum 4 hunters per group per hunt day. No hunters may fill a spot if a reservation holder does not use the reservation. No additional parties are allowed to hunt after the lottery hunter has completed their hunt for the day. The hunter drawing the access permit must be present for the hunt. All hunters must check in at the existing check station.
- d. To enter drawing, send a postcard or letter with name, address, phone number, CID number and desired reservation dates to: CPW, Tamarack Ranch drawing, 122 E. Edison St., Brush, CO 80723. Must be postmarked by Sept. 30. Successful applicants notified by Oct. 21.

Hunters must possess a valid license for the species to be hunted to enter a drawing. Hunters may apply for multiple hunt dates on one postcard.

Failure to hunt a reserved area without prior cancellation, or to follow check station procedures, may disqualify a person from making reservations for the remainder of the hunting season.

- e. Ponds open to hunting without a reservation during the spring light goose conservation order season. All hunters must follow check-in and check-out procedures as posted.

TILMAN BISHOP SWA, MESA CO.

1. Open for public access July 15-March 14.
2. Mandatory check-in and check-out procedures

for hunters at entrance station.

3. Hunting with bows and/or shotguns with shotshells only.
4. Dogs allowed only as aid to hunting.
5. Waterfowl hunting by reservation only. See "Reservation Procedures" (page 12) for details.
6. Waterfowl hunters must hunt from designated blinds or in the zone identified for each blind. Maximum 4 hunters per blind.
7. If no reservation exists for a hunt area, hunters may check in on a first-come, first-served basis after 5 a.m. the day of the hunt. Reserved areas not claimed by 7 a.m. will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. But, any area must be yielded upon request of the hunter holding a valid and active reservation for that area.

TRINIDAD STATE PARK, LAS ANIMAS CO.

1. Waterfowl hunting prohibited as posted.

TURK'S POND SWA, BACA CO.

1. From the first split of waterfowl seasons through last day of waterfowl seasons, the following regulations are in effect in sections 20, 21, 28, 29, 32 & 33 in Township 29 South, Range 44 West, 6th P.M. as posted:
 - a. On SWA land within 0.25 of a mile of ordinary high-water line, hunting prohibited as posted.
 - b. It is illegal to discharge firearms or arrows from, on or across 50 yards on each side of center line of public roads.
2. Boating prohibited except float tubes or crafts propelled by hand, wind or electric motor.
3. Open near pond and administrative building only to retrieve downed waterfowl from opening day of waterfowl season through end of February.

VANCIL RESERVOIR, MORGAN CO.

1. Waterfowl hunting prohibited as posted to provide for waterfowl resting as necessary depending on water levels, weather and presence of birds.

WELLINGTON SWA, LARIMER & WELD COs.

1. From first day of regular waterfowl season to first day of pheasant season Wellington Unit open only on Sat., Sun., Mon. and legal holidays.
2. Only hand-propelled vessels may be used, and only when hunting waterfowl.

WHITEHORSE SWA, ADAMS CO.

1. Closed except for youth/mentor waterfowl hunting when authorized by area wildlife manager as participants in CPW youth hunter program.
2. Reservations required. See "Reservation Procedures" (page 12) for details. Hunters with reservations can only hunt area specified on reservation, except in areas where reservations are not required or are unreserved and unoccupied.
3. Mandatory check in and check out as posted at check station.

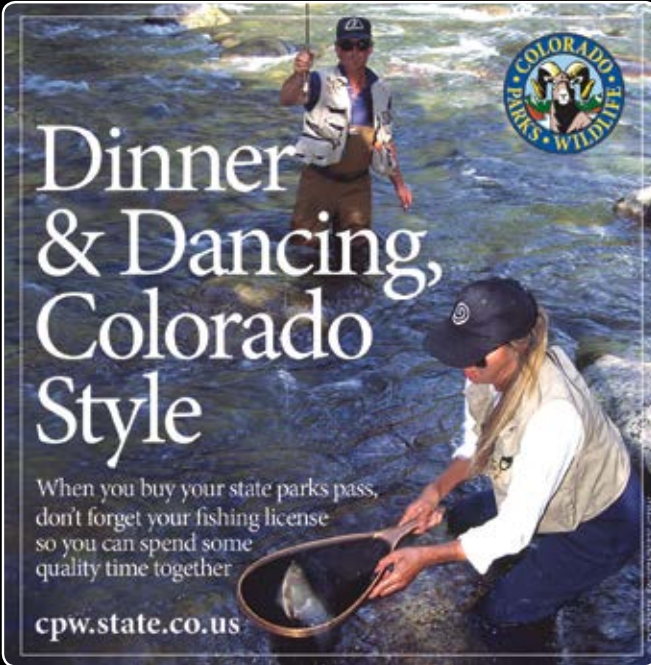
WILLIAMS FORK RESERVOIR, GRAND CO.

1. Denver Water restricts hunting to designated areas only. For Details go to http://www.denverwater.org/docs/assets/6672DE69-155D-01CB-0C9E609BE6137D12/WF_HuntingAccess.pdf



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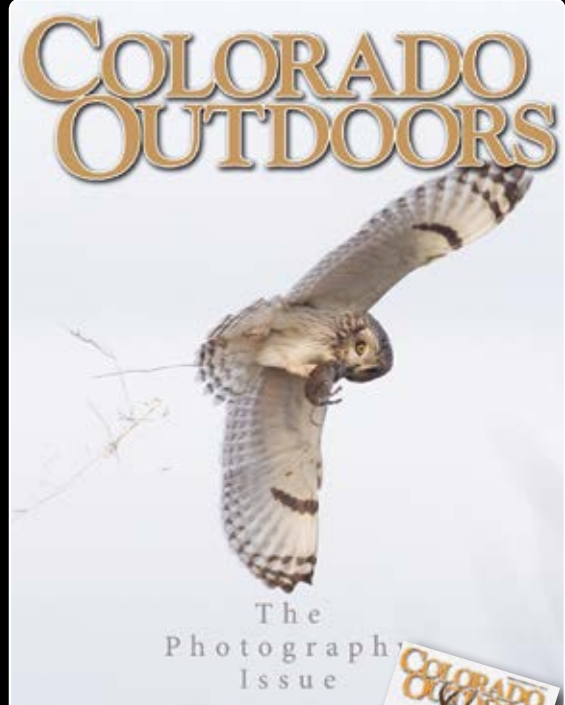


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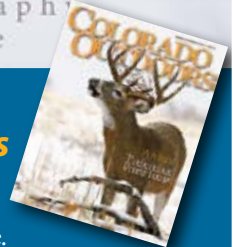


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