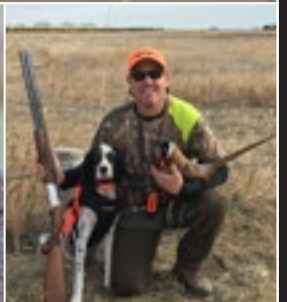
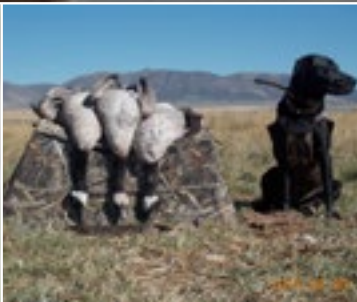


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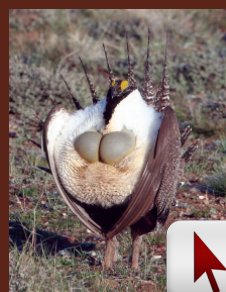
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## CPW OFFICE LOCATIONS

**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 parks locations that can also sell licenses, issue duplicate licenses and accept licenses for refunds.

**ADMINISTRATION**  
 1313 Sherman St., #618  
 Denver, 80203  
 303-297-1192

**GLENWOOD SPRINGS**  
 0088 Wildlife Way  
 Glenwood Springs, 81601  
 970-947-2920

**MONTE VISTA**  
 0722 S. Road 1 E.  
 Monte Vista, 81144  
 719-587-6900

**BRUSH** (closed until further notice)  
 122 E. Edison  
 Brush, 80723  
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**GRAND JUNCTION**  
 711 Independent Ave.  
 Grand Junction, 81505  
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 300 W. New York Ave.  
 Gunnison, 81230  
 970-641-7060

**PUEBLO**  
 600 Reservoir Road  
 Pueblo, 81005  
 719-561-5300

**DENVER**  
 6060 Broadway  
 Denver, 80216  
 303-291-7227

**HOT SULPHUR SPRINGS**  
 346 Grand County Rd. 362  
 Hot Sulphur Springs, 80451  
 970-725-6200

**SALIDA**  
 7405 Hwy. 50  
 Salida, 81201  
 719-530-5520

**DURANGO**  
 151 E. 16th St.  
 Durango, 81301  
 970-247-0855

**LAMAR**  
 2500 S. Main St.  
 Lamar, 81052  
 719-336-6600

**STEAMBOAT SPRINGS**  
 925 Weiss Dr.  
 Steamboat Springs, 80487  
 970-870-2197

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

**MEEKER**  
 73485 Hwy. 64  
 Meeker, 81641  
 970-878-6090

# WHAT'S NEW: 2017

## REGULATION CHANGES & NEW INFORMATION

▶ **NEW BROCHURE:** To be more effective and efficient, we've combined the Small Game and Waterfowl brochures into one brochure. All of the information you'll need to hunt each of the species found in both brochures can now be found right here in one neat package. Also find the newly condensed brochure online: [cpw.state.co.us/sgwf/brochure](http://cpw.state.co.us/sgwf/brochure)

▶ **CPW LICENSING SYSTEM CHANGES:** We're in the process of transitioning to an upgraded licensing, pass, registration and reservation system in 2018. All customers will need to have an individual email address and password to apply for or purchase CPW products with the new system; make sure your contact information and email are correct now when you purchase your small game or furbearer license. Find more information on our website soon: [cpw.state.co.us](http://cpw.state.co.us)

▶ **LIVE TRAPS MUST BE LABELED:** All live traps — limited to cage or box traps — placed on public lands must be labeled clearly with the trapper's Customer Identification number (CID), in a place that can be easily seen without needing to move the trap to see the label. Trappers who don't have a CID must legibly label the traps with the trapper's name. Labeling live traps helps protect trappers' equip-

ment and their take. Live traps that aren't labeled properly may be confiscated by any Wildlife Officer. *See more about legal trapping methods on page 5.*

▶ **MOURNING DOVE & WHITE-WINGED DOVE SEASON EXTENDED 20 DAYS:** Hunt these two species of dove statewide in the now-extended 90-day season. *See page 10 for bag and possession limits.*

▶ **PINTAIL BAG LIMIT CHANGED:** The daily bag limit for pintail in both the Central and Pacific flyways has been lowered from two ducks to one duck. *See pages 12 and 16.*

▶ **EL PASO COUNTY ADDED TO QUAIL SEASON 1:** Adding El Paso Co. to the first quail season, Nov. 11, 2017–Jan. 31, 2018, gives hunters in this area west of I-25 a longer season for quail hunting opportunities. *See page 11 for bag and possession limits.*

▶ **CPW'S FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY BILL (HB 17-1321) DID NOT PASS:** The bill would have allowed the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission to approve resident license fee increases, but did not pass through the 2017 Colorado General Assembly. Resident license prices have not been raised for 2018. *See back cover for more information on financial sustainability.*

# LICENSE INFORMATION

## 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
▶ Furbearer only.....	\$21	\$56
▶ Colorado Waterfowl Stamp.....	\$5	\$5
▶ Federal Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp (Duck Stamp).....	\$25	\$25
▶ Military.....	free	n/a
<i>(60 percent or more disability, see page 2)</i>		
▶ 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.*

## WHAT YOU NEED TO BUY A LICENSE AND HUNT

1. **ID.** Secure and verifiable ID. A Social Security number is required for new hunters ages 12 and older.
2. **PROOF** of hunter education. (See below left.)
3. **PROOF** of residency for Colorado residents. (See page 2.)
4. **HABITAT STAMP.** A 2017 Habitat Stamp is required prior to applying for the draw or buying a license. (See below.)

## 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 are approved for the Big Game Mobility Impaired Hunting Program is exempt from the Habitat Stamp requirement. See [cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/Accessibility.aspx](http://cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/Accessibility.aspx).

## RESTRICTIONS

### 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 those suspended for noncompliance with child support. Any current licenses become invalid if held by an individual who is 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 the laws apply to you.

## HUNTER EDUCATION

### HUNTER EDUCATION (SAFETY) REQUIREMENTS

1. Anyone born on or after January 1, 1949, must have a hunter education card to hunt in Colorado.
2. A hunter education card is needed to apply for or buy a license.
3. Your hunter education card must be carried while hunting, unless verified and marked with a "V" on your license.
  - ▶ To get your hunter education verified, take your hunter education card to a CPW office.
4. CPW honors hunter education cards from other states and provinces.

### HUNTER EDUCATION EXEMPTIONS

1. Individuals over age 50 or active duty US military and veterans can obtain a hunter education certificate by testing out\* of hunter education.
2. A one-time apprentice certificate\* can be obtained for hunters who are at least 10 years old and who must be accompanied by a mentor\*.

\*Please see the CPW website for more information on hunter education exemptions or to find hunter education courses: [cpw.state.co.us/HunterEd](http://cpw.state.co.us/HunterEd)

## 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.
- 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.
- In order to hunt small game in any seasons that continue beyond March 31, 2018, (see *Small-Game dates, pages 9–11*), you must purchase a 2018 small-game license.
- TO HUNT AND TAKE SMALL GAME**, you need a small-game license, a combination small-game and fishing or a lifetime small-game and fishing license. Small-game hunters must register with HIP before their first hunt. See details about the Harvest Information Program (HIP) below.
- TO HUNT EURASIAN COLLARED-DOVES**, and other invasive species, you must have a hunter education card; however, a hunting license is not required. See page 7, *Hunting Invasive Birds*.
- TO HUNT FURBEARERS**, you must have a small-game or furbearer license.
- TO HUNT COMMON SNAPPING TURTLES**, you need a small-game license or fishing license.
- YOU CAN HUNT COYOTES** without a small-game license during big-game seasons if you have an unfilled big-game license for the same season and unit. You must use the same method of take for coyotes as your big-game license allows. Once the big-game license has been filled, hunters must purchase a small-game license to continue hunting coyotes, and if using a rifle, it must be .23 caliber or smaller. If you're not hunting big game, a small-game license is required to hunt coyotes.
- TO HUNT WATERFOWL**, you need a small-game hunting license. If you are 16 or older, you also 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. Please note that the gum-backed stamp is not valid for hunting.

**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.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: see *Legal Migratory Bird Hunting Methods, no. 8 on page 6*.
- TO HUNT SANDHILL CRANES**, a separate federal permit number, available through HIP (see below), is required.
- TO HUNT BAND-TAILED PIGEONS**, a permit (\$5) is required in addition to the small-game license. The permit is available at CPW offices.
- If a license is restricted to a specific area, you can hunt only that area.
- Licenses 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 half the license fee, not to exceed \$25.00. Forms are available at CPW offices, state parks, license agents and online.

## HARVEST INFORMATION PROGRAM (HIP)

Small-game, furbearer and migratory bird hunters, including falconers, must sign up with HIP each year before their license is valid. Write the new HIP number on your license. **To sign up with HIP, call 1-866-265-6447 (1-866-COLOHIP), or go to [www.colohip.com](http://www.colohip.com).** You will be asked for basic information, including how many birds you harvested the previous season and the species you plan to hunt this year. A season means Sept. 1 through March 15 of the next year.

## RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS

- 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 at least 6 months prior to buying or applying for a license. If your ID or driver's license was issued or renewed less than 6 months prior, you must provide documentation that proves you have been 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 qualify. This includes people who were Colorado 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 qualify. 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.

## SPECIAL LICENSE INFORMATION

### YOUTH LICENSES & MENTOR HUNTING

People under age 18 must have a license to hunt small game. A youth small-game license is for hunters 17 and younger, and costs \$1, plus surcharge. All youths must meet hunter education requirements, and youths 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.

# GENERAL INFORMATION

## WALK-IN ACCESS PROGRAM (WIA)

The Walk-In Access (WIA) program provides opportunities to hunt small game, migratory game birds and furbearers on enrolled properties, only during established season dates. Properties are closed to hunting Gambel's quail, Gunnison's sage-grouse and greater sage-grouse.

The regular season walk-in properties are open Sept. 1 through the end of February. The late cropland season properties are open from the 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 2017–18 will be published. The early version, the **2017 SMALL GAME WALK-IN ATLAS**, is available in late August, and includes properties open Sept. 1. The **2017 LATE CROPLAND ATLAS** will be available in late October, and includes an updated property list.

**NOTE:** Some WIA properties in southeast Colorado will be open for both small-game and big-game hunting as part of a Big Game Access Pilot Program. See the **2017 SMALL GAME WALK-IN ATLAS** for more details.

## SMALL-GAME SURVEYS

Colorado Parks and Wildlife conducts several small-game harvest surveys annually to estimate harvest, hunter numbers and recreation days, in addition to assessing satisfaction and crowding. Past surveys are available on the CPW website at [cpw.state.co.us/thingstodo/Pages/Small-GameStatistics.aspx](http://cpw.state.co.us/thingstodo/Pages/Small-GameStatistics.aspx) and updated reports are available after annual surveys conclude. Hunters are selected randomly to participate. Small-game surveys are by telephone or by email. If contacted, your participation is not required, but responding — even if you did not hunt or harvest an animal — helps CPW manage small game.

## DONATING WILDLIFE

You can donate edible parts of wildlife to a like-license holder anywhere or to anyone at 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 Birds, page 7*.

## BOBCAT SEALS

All bobcats or their pelts must be personally presented by the hunter for inspection and sealing by CPW within 30 days after take, or within five days after the season closes; whichever is sooner. *Any bobcat hide/pelt without a seal within five days after the season closes is illegal and becomes the property of the state.* Seals will be placed only on bobcats taken legally in Colorado.

Inspection and sealing is free, and seals must stay attached to hide until processed. Bobcat hides/pelts cannot be transported, shipped or otherwise taken from Colorado until inspected and sealed. It is illegal to buy, sell, trade or barter an untanned bobcat hide/pelt without a seal. One seal per hide/pelt. Contact a nearby CPW office for details (*offices listed on inside front cover*).

## ATTENTION HUNTERS!

We released Canada lynx in southwest Colorado several years ago, which may be found elsewhere in the state. If you see one, please report it to a CPW office. Bobcat hunters should make sure they don't shoot a lynx. Lynx differ from bobcats in several ways:



- THE TIP OF A LYNX TAIL** is black all around. On a bobcat, the underside of the tip of its tail is white.
- THE BELLY FUR** on a lynx is tawny colored. On a bobcat, it is white.
- THE EAR TUFTS** of lynx are more than 1 inch long.
- LYNX TRACKS** are 3 1/2 to 4 1/2 inches wide. Bobcat tracks are smaller than 2 1/2 inches wide.

## 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.

## 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:

- Do not handle animals that are obviously sick or found dead. Report sick or dead animals you find to a CPW office.
- Keep game cool, clean and dry.
- Do not eat, drink or smoke while dressing game.
- Use disposable gloves when cleaning game.
- Wash your hands with soap and water, or use alcohol wipes after dressing game.
- Clean all tools and surfaces immediately afterward. Use hot, soapy water, then disinfect with a 10 percent chlorine bleach solution.
- 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.
- Do not eat any raw portions of wild game.
- Do not feed raw wild game to domestic pets.

**LEGAL HUNTING HOURS**

Legal times to hunt small game and/or waterfowl are one-half hour before sunrise to sunset.

An exception is made for furbearers, which can be hunted from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. Raccoons, coyotes, bobcats, striped skunks, beavers and red, gray or swift foxes can be hunted at night. See *Furbearers under Small-Game Hunting Laws on page 5 for details.*

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.)*


2017-2018 SUNRISE/SUNSET TABLE (DENVER)							
	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	JAN. 2018	FEB. 2018	MAR. 2018
	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.
<b>DAY</b>							
1	6:28 7:31	6:56 6:42	7:29 5:58	7:02 4:36	7:21 4:46	7:08 5:20	6:33 5:52
2	6:29 7:29	6:57 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	6:58 6:39	7:31 5:55	7:04 4:36	7:21 4:48	7:06 5:22	6:30 5:54
4	6:31 7:26	6:59 6:37	7:32 5:54	7:05 4:35	7:21 4:49	7:05 5:23	6:28 5:55
5	6:32 7:24	7:00 6:35	7:33 5:53	7:06 4:35	7:21 4:50	7:04 5:25	6:27 5:56
6	6:33 7:23	7:01 6:34	6:35 4:52	7:07 4:35	7:21 4:51	7:03 5:26	6:25 5:58
7	6:34 7:21	7:02 6:32	6:36 4:51	7:08 4:35	7:21 4:52	7:02 5:27	6:24 5:59
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*DST=(Daylight saving time)*

TIME ADJUSTMENT FOR OTHER COLORADO CITIES	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

*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.*

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by Richard Clifton

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# GENERAL HUNTING LAWS

- Colorado Parks and Wildlife can post firing lines at its properties.
- It is illegal to kill, capture, injure or harass wildlife from an aircraft or motor vehicle. It is also illegal to operate aircraft with intent to injure, harass, drive or rally wildlife. It is illegal to discharge a firearm or release an arrow from an aircraft or motor vehicle.
- 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 is 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.
- It is illegal to carry or have a firearm, except a pistol or revolver, in or on a motor vehicle unless the chamber is unloaded. While using artificial light from a vehicle, it is illegal to have a firearm with cartridges in the chamber or magazine, or possess a strung bow unless the bow is cased.
- You must take edible parts of game meat home to eat or provide it for human consumption. Do not leave wounded wildlife (or wildlife that might be wounded) without attempting to track and kill it.
- Possession of wildlife is evidence you hunted.
- Small-game and migratory bird hunters are not required to wear solid, fluorescent orange or pink clothes. However, CPW encourages you to wear fluorescent orange or pink clothes for safety.
- You must stop at CPW check stations when told to do so.
- Violations of Colorado wildlife laws carry point values. You can face suspension of license privileges for up to five years or more if you accumulate 20 or more points in five years.
- During deer, elk, pronghorn and bear seasons, firearms (except handguns) must be unloaded in the chamber and magazine when carried on an off-highway vehicle (OHV). Firearms (except handguns) and bows carried on an OHV must be fully enclosed in a hard or soft case. Scabbards or cases with open ends or sides are prohibited. This regulation does not apply to landowners or their agents carrying a firearm on an OHV for the purpose of taking depredated wildlife on property owned or leased by them.

## AIDS IN HUNTING SMALL GAME & WATERFOWL

- Dogs are allowed to hunt small game, waterfowl and furbearers, but only to pursue, bring to bay, retrieve, flush or point. It is illegal to use dogs to hunt cottontail rabbits, snowshoe hares and tree squirrels on land where any regular deer, elk, pronghorn or moose season is in progress.
- Artificial decoys are permitted.
- European ferrets are permitted for hawking. Ferrets must be neutered, tattooed on left inguinal area and dyed along one-fourth of their body for easy field identification.
- Mechanical devices designed to call wildlife are allowed. Recorded or electronically amplified calls can be used to hunt furbearers and crows only.
- You can hunt migratory game birds over standing crops or feed used in the course of agricultural planting, harvesting or other normal agricultural practices; baiting is not allowed.

## CALIBER RESTRICTION

It is illegal to hunt game birds, small-game animals or furbearers with a centerfire rifle larger than .23 caliber in regular rifle deer and elk seasons west of I-25, unless you have an unfilled deer or elk license for the season you are hunting. A small-game license is required.

# SMALL-GAME HUNTING LAWS

## LEGAL SMALL-GAME HUNTING METHODS

### FOR SMALL-GAME MAMMALS

- Rifles or handguns.
- Shotguns cannot be larger than 10 gauge. Shotguns cannot be capable of holding more than 3 shells in magazine and chamber combined.
- Hand-held bows and crossbows.
- Pellet guns and slingshots.
- Hawking.
- NEW** All live traps (limited to cage or box traps) placed on public lands must be labeled clearly with the trapper's Customer Identification number (CID), in a place that can be easily seen without needing to move the trap to see the label. Trappers who don't have a CID must legibly label the traps with the trapper's name. Labeling live traps helps protect trappers' equipment and their take. Live traps that aren't labeled properly may be confiscated by any Wildlife Officer. This law also applies to furbearers.

### FOR SMALL-GAME BIRDS

(EXCEPT MIGRATORY BIRDS: SEE PAGE 6-7)

- Rifles or handguns allowed for dusky grouse and ptarmigan.
- Shotguns cannot be larger than 10 gauge not firing a single slug. Shotguns cannot be capable of holding more than 3 shells in magazine and chamber combined.
- Hand-held bows and crossbows.
- Pellet guns and slingshots allowed for dusky grouse and ptarmigan.
- Hawking.

### FOR FURBEARERS

- Any rifle, handgun, shotgun, handheld bow or cross-bow or live traps — limited to cage or box traps.
- Use of bait. It must be made solely of plants or animals. Bait cannot contain metal, glass, porcelain, plastic, cardboard or paper. Wildlife used as bait can be carcasses or parts of legally taken furbearers, carp, shad, white and longnose suckers, and inedible parts of legally obtained game mammals, birds or game fish.
- Use of electronic calls.
- You must check traps in person, at least daily. In lynx recovery areas, or where lynx are, you must check traps every 24 hours. More on lynx: [cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/SOC-LynxResearch.aspx](http://cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/SOC-LynxResearch.aspx)
- Any accidentally captured live animals for which trapping season is open must be killed or released immediately upon checking the trap.
- If wildlife (except Canada lynx, see No. 7 in this list) is accidentally captured alive when trapping season is closed or is illegal for that species, you must release

## ILLEGAL SMALL-GAME HUNTING METHODS

- The use of toxicants, drugs, explosives, stupefying substances or leghold traps, instant kill body-gripping design traps or snares to hunt, kill, capture, injure or harass wildlife are illegal, except with permits issued by CPW or the Colorado Department of Agriculture.
- Use of electronic calls is not allowed to hunt small game. (Electronic calls are legal to hunt furbearers.)
- Use of any artificial light as an aid in hunting wildlife, except as in Legal Small-Game Hunting Methods (above) is not allowed.
- Use of bait to hunt small-game mammals, game birds and migratory birds is not allowed.
- Use of visual lures, fresh meat baits, fish oil and anise oil lures to attract felids in lynx recovery areas or where lynx are found is not allowed.
- Except when legally placed on private property by permit, it is illegal to set traps or snares within 50

- feet of either side of the travelled part of state or federal highways or county roads.
- It is illegal to destroy or damage beaver or muskrat houses, dens or dams, except to maintain water flow or prevent property damage.
- It is illegal to promote, conduct, offer to conduct or participate in a competitive event that involves killing small game or furbearers for which there is no bag and possession limit (including coyotes and prairie dogs). Contests are allowed if no more than 5 of each species are killed by each participant during the event. Contests of marked or tagged small game and game birds for money or valuable prizes also are illegal. Tokens of recognition without significant monetary value are not considered valuable prizes. This does not apply to wildlife parks and field trials licensed by CPW.
- If you accidentally capture a Canada lynx and it's not injured, you must release it immediately and report it to CPW within 24 hours. If a lynx is accidentally injured, but not in your possession, you must report it to CPW within 24 hours. If you capture a lynx accidentally and injure it, take the lynx to CPW or a licensed veterinarian, and report it to CPW within 24 hours. If you accidentally kill a lynx, you must report it to CPW within 24 hours, and take the carcass to CPW within 3 days after the report. Failing to follow these rules is considered unlawful take and possession. You will not be charged if you comply with these requirements or use the plan's best management practices to avoid accidentally taking a lynx. Guidelines available on the CPW website, search for "Avoid Lynx Take."
- On private land, artificial light is allowed at night to hunt beavers, raccoons, coyotes, bobcats, striped skunks and red, gray or swift foxes, with permission of landowner or agent.
- On public land, artificial light is allowed at night with permit from local district or area wildlife manager, to hunt raccoons, coyotes, bobcats, striped skunks, beavers and red, gray or swift foxes. Permits are valid for time and place specified.
  - Permits are not valid 24 hours before or during deer, elk or pronghorn rifle seasons, nor opening weekend of grouse, pheasant, quail and waterfowl seasons.
  - It is illegal to hunt with a light permanently attached to a vehicle, or to project light from inside a vehicle.
  - It is illegal to take furbearers within 500 yards of a dwelling, building, campground or other structure, or in areas that jeopardize human safety.
  - You must carry and show the permit while hunting if requested by a law enforcement officer.
  - CPW can deny a permit for management purposes.
  - Night-hunting permits are not issued for bobcat on public land in Canada lynx recovery areas or where lynx are. If a bobcat hunter kills a Canada lynx during bobcat hunting season, CPW will not issue any more night-hunting permits for bobcat for the rest of the calendar year in the recovery areas or where the lynx was killed. CPW also will revoke all night-hunting permits previously issued for bobcats.

## HUNTING TERMS & DEFINITIONS: SMALL GAME

**AGGREGATE:** Total number of animals allowed to be taken in one day, by one person.

**CANADA LYNX RECOVERY AREA:** in San Juan and Rio Grande national forests, and associated land above 9,000 feet, west from a north-south line passing through Del Norte and east from a north-south line passing through Dolores; and from New Mexico north to the Gunnison basin, including Taylor Park east to the Collegiate Range. The recovery area includes Game Management Units 55, 65-68, 70, 71, 74-81, 551, 681, 711 and 751.

**CROSSBOW:** bow fired from the shoulder, attached perpendicularly to its stock. Has mechanical device to hold string cocked.

**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** maximum number of wildlife you can take in a day, including any eaten or donated during the day they're taken.

**FALCONRY (OR HAWKING):** hunting with a trained raptor.

**FURBEARERS:** mink, pine marten, badger, red fox, gray fox, swift fox, striped skunk, western spotted skunk, beaver, muskrat, long-tailed weasel, short-tailed weasel, coyote, bobcat, opossum, ring-tailed cat, raccoon.

**HAND-HELD BOW:** long bow or compound bow with a manually held or drawn string.

**HANDGUN:** pistol, revolver, without shoulder stock or attachment.

**LIKE LICENSE:** license to take the same wildlife in same manner at same time.

**LIVE TRAPS:** "Traps specifically designed not to kill," meaning padded steel jawed leghold traps, box traps and cage traps (see *What's New: 2017, page 1*).

**PELLET GUN:** handgun or rifle powered by compressed air or gas that is .177 caliber or larger and fires pellets.

**PELT:** skin of a furbearer with hair intact.

**POSSESSION LIMIT:** maximum number of wildlife you can have at any time, including in the field, in transport, at home or in storage.

**RELOCATION:** moving live wildlife to a site not contiguous to the capture site.

**RIFLE:** firearm fired from the shoulder with a rifled bore, at least a 16-inch or longer barrel and at least 26 inches in overall length.

**SHOTGUN:** firearm fired from the shoulder with a smooth bore, at least an 18-inch barrel and at least 26 inches in overall length.

**SLINGSHOT:** hand-held device manually drawn or held with elastic band attached to arms, or attachment points for propelling stones or metal projectiles. Wrist-brace attachments and non-elastic projectile pouches are normal parts of a slingshot.

**SMALL-GAME BIRDS:** grouse, ptarmigan, pheasant, quail, partridge, greater prairie-chicken, chukar.

**SMALL-GAME MAMMALS:** cottontail rabbit, snowshoe hare, jackrabbit, marmot, fox squirrel, pine squirrel, Abert's squirrel, prairie dog, Wyoming (Richardson's) ground squirrel.

**OTHER SMALL GAME:** prairie rattlesnake, common snapping turtle.

**TRAPPING:** taking or attempting to take wildlife with a trap.

# MIGRATORY BIRD HUNTING LAWS

In Colorado, the Pacific Flyway is west of the Continental Divide, and the Central Flyway is east of the Continental Divide. Federal and state laws apply.

## LEGAL MIGRATORY BIRD HUNTING METHODS

- Shotguns cannot be larger than 10 gauge. They cannot be capable of holding more than three shells in magazine and chamber combined. They must be fired from the shoulder. To reduce capacity of shotguns that hold more than three shells in the chamber and magazine combined, the magazine must be cut off, altered or plugged with a one-piece filler that cannot be removed unless the gun is disassembled. Slugs are illegal to hunt waterfowl.
- Hand-held bows are 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 Parks and Wildlife Commission.
- It is legal to hunt waterfowl in the open, from a blind or other concealed place (except a sink box). When camouflaged with vegetation from agricultural crops, camouflaging cannot result in exposing, depositing, distributing or scattering grain or other feed.
- It is legal to take migratory birds, including waterfowl, coots and cranes, on or over the following lands not otherwise baited: standing or flooded standing 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.  
It is also legal to take migratory 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.  
"Baiting" means the direct or indirect placing, exposing, depositing, distributing or scattering of salt, grain or other feed that could serve as a lure or attraction for migratory game birds to, on or over any areas where hunters are attempting to take them. "Baited area" means any area on which salt, grain or other feed has been placed, exposed, deposited, distributed or scattered, if that salt, grain or other feed could serve as a lure or attraction

## ILLEGAL MIGRATORY BIRD HUNTING METHODS

- Baiting is illegal (*see description of baiting above, number 4*). For information on federal baiting laws, go to <https://www.fws.gov/le/waterfowl-hunting-and-baiting.html>.  
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.
- It is illegal to use any artificial light as an aid in hunting or taking wildlife.
- Traps, snares, nets, rifles, pistols, swivel guns, punt guns, battery guns, machine guns and fish hooks, poisons, toxicants, explosives or stupefying substances are illegal.
- 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.
- It is illegal to leave decoys or things used as decoys in the field or on water overnight on state wildlife areas.
- You cannot hunt migratory birds on a federal reservation, federal land set aside as a wildlife reservation, breeding ground or refuge or federal land closed by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, except as permitted.
- It is illegal to hunt migratory birds from, on or across a highway, road, trail, public or private right-of-way in national wildlife refuges. Stricter regulations may apply on wildlife refuges. Contact: Alamosa and Monte Vista NWR, 719-589-4021; Browns Park NWR, 970-365-3613; Arapaho NWR, 970-723-8202.

for migratory game birds to, on, or over areas where hunters are attempting to take them. Any such area will remain a baited area for ten days following the complete removal of all such salt, grain or other feed.

- Hunting is allowed from vessels (except sink boxes) with motors or sails if motor is off, and/or sails furled and forward movement has stopped. Hunting is allowed from drifting vessels and those propelled by hand. Motorized vessels are only allowed to pick up dead or injured birds, or to put out and retrieve decoys.
- Hawking or falconry permitted.
- 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.
- 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 14 for season dates.*)
- You don't need a permit to have and transport plumage or skins of legally taken migratory birds for your use.
- You don't need a permit to have, dispose and transport feathers from wild ducks and wild geese legally killed, or from birds seized and condemned by wildlife authorities. It is legal to use feathers to make fishing flies, bed pillows, mattresses and similar commercial items, except for millinery or ornamental use.
- The most restrictive state or federal laws apply. See [cpw.state.co.us/thingstodo/Pages/waterfowl.aspx](http://cpw.state.co.us/thingstodo/Pages/waterfowl.aspx) or [www.fws.gov/hunting/whats.html](http://www.fws.gov/hunting/whats.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](http://www.fws.gov/refuges) for details.

- In the areas bounded on north by Wyoming; east and south by I-76, Hwy. 71, U.S. 36 and I-70; and west by the Continental Divide and Larimer-Jackson county line; and in Bent, Crowley, Kiowa, Mesa, Otero and Prowers counties:
  - It's illegal to hunt waterfowl within 50 yards on either side of center line of a public road.
  - 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.
- You cannot kill, have, transport, import or export migratory birds, their parts, nests or eggs that were taken, bought, sold, transported, possessed or exported illegally.
- It is illegal to have or transport live migratory birds or waterfowl, including wounded birds. You must kill migratory birds immediately after you injure them, and they become part of your bag limit.
- It is illegal to buy, sell, barter or offer to buy or sell feathers or mounted specimens of migratory birds.
- It is illegal to receive or have someone else's migratory birds unless they are tagged as required.
- SANDHILL CRANE HUNTERS:** Whooping cranes are federally endangered and illegal to hunt. They may be in Colorado during sandhill crane season.
- The most restrictive state or federal laws apply. See [www.fws.gov/hunting/whatres.html](http://www.fws.gov/hunting/whatres.html) for more.

## TAGGING, SHIPPING & IMPORTING BIRDS

- A carcass tag must be attached to wildlife requiring one.
- Licensees must accompany wildlife not requiring a carcass tag (*except as in No. 4*).
- One fully feathered wing or head must be attached to birds in transit until they arrive at hunter's home or commercial processing facility.
- 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.
- 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 and include your address, total number and species of birds, date of kill and your hunting license number.
- Migratory bird preservation facilities:
  - 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.
  - You must keep records 1 year after the last entry.
  - You must allow people authorized to enforce this regulation to enter the facilities
- 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 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.
- 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.
- It is illegal to have or transport live migratory birds, including wounded birds. You must kill migratory game birds immediately after recovering them.
- No permit is required to have or transport plumage and skins of legally taken migratory birds for your own use.
- No permit is 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.
- It is illegal to buy, sell, barter or offer to buy or sell feathers or mounted specimens of migratory game birds.

at reasonable hours to inspect records and premises.

## BIRD SPECIES IDENTIFICATION

A fully feathered wing or head must be attached to all birds, except turkeys, doves and band-tailed pigeons, in transit to hunter's home or commercial processor. For pheasants, a foot with visible spur can be substituted.

**NOTE:** While in the field or during transport, all dressed (not fully feathered) doves count against the daily bag and possession limit for mourning and white-winged doves during the Sept. 1–Nov. 29 dove season. Eurasian collared-doves must be fully feathered while in the field or during transport at all other times.

## HUNTING INVASIVE BIRDS

As of Sept. 1, 2014, **Eurasian collared-doves, European starlings and house (English) sparrows** are considered invasive species in Colorado. Because of this designation, these species may be hunted year-round. No license or Habitat Stamp is required to hunt invasive species; however hunters must have and carry with them a hunter education card.

Hunters may harvest any number of each of these species and by any method of take approved for big- or small-game hunting. These

species may be taken at night with the use of artificial light and night vision equipment.

Commercial hunting of invasive species is prohibited, as is receiving or attempting to receive compensation by hunting these species.

Eurasian collared-doves must remain fully feathered while in the field or during transport, except when counted as part of the mourning or white-winged dove bag and possession limit during the dove season that runs from Sept. 1–Nov. 29. *See page 10 for season dates and bag limits.*

## WATCH FOR BANDED BIRDS

Wildlife managers need help gathering information about the migratory bird populations.

If you kill or find a banded bird, please report it to the USGS Bird Banding Lab:

[www.reportband.gov](http://www.reportband.gov)

## HUNTING TERMS & DEFINITIONS: MIGRATORY BIRDS

**AGGREGATE:** Total number of animals allowed to be taken in one day, by one person, regardless of species.

**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** maximum number of wildlife you can take in a day, including any eaten or donated during the day they're taken.

**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 8 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 wildlife you can have at any time, including in the field, in transport, at home or in storage.

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



# MIGRATORY & SMALL-GAME BIRDS

## SEASON DATES & BAG LIMITS

- ▶ **BAND-TAILED PIGEON**  
**SEASON:** Sept. 1–14  
**AREA:** Statewide  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 2  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 6  
*NOTE: Permit required through HIP. See page 2 for more. A band-tailed pigeon permit (\$5) is now required in addition to the small-game license.*
- ▶ **CHUKAR PARTRIDGE**  
**SEASON:** Sept. 1–Nov. 30  
**AREA:** Statewide  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 4  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 12
- ▶ **CROW**  
**SEASON:** Nov. 1–end of Feb. 2018  
**AREA:** Statewide  
**BAG & POSSESSION LIMITS:** Unlimited  
*NOTE: Recorded or electronically amplified calls may be used during this season.*
- ▶ **DOVES: MOURNING, WHITE-WINGED**  
**NEW SEASON:** Sept. 1–Nov. 29  
**AREA:** Statewide  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 15 singly or in aggregate for either species  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 45 singly or in aggregate  
*NOTE: See Bird Species Identification on page 7 for transit requirements. See Eurasian note on this page for influence on bag limits.*
- ▶ **DOVES: EURASIAN COLLARED**  
**SEASON:** Year-round  
**AREA:** Statewide  
**BAG & POSSESSION LIMITS:** Unlimited  
*NOTE: Eurasians must be fully feathered while in the field and during transport, unless counted as part of the mourning and/or white winged dove bag limits. See page 7.*  
*NOTE: A license is not required, these are considered an invasive species. See page 7, Hunting Invasive Birds.*
- ▶ **EUROPEAN STARLING, HOUSE (ENGLISH) SPARROW**  
**SEASON:** Year-round  
**AREA:** Statewide  
**BAG & POSSESSION LIMITS:** Unlimited  
*NOTE: A license is not required, these are considered an invasive species. See page 7, Hunting Invasive Birds.*
- ▶ **GREATER PRAIRIE-CHICKEN**  
**SEASON:** Oct. 1–Jan. 7, 2018  
**AREA:** Only GMUs 93, 97, 98, 100, 101 and 102  
**BAG & POSSESSION LIMIT:** 2 per year
- ▶ **GROUSE: DUSKY (BLUE)**  
**SEASON:** Sept. 1–Nov. 19  
**AREA:** West of I-25  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 3  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 9
- ▶ **GROUSE: GREATER SAGE**  
**SEASON 1:** Sept. 9–15  
**AREA:** GMUs 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 13, 18 *except east of Colo. 125 in Grand County, 27, 28 except north and east of Grand CR 50 (Church Park Rd.), 37, 181, 201, 211, 301 and 441.*  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 2  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 4  
**SEASON 2:** Sept. 9–10  
**AREA:** Only GMUs 6, 16, 17, 161, 171 (North Park)  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 2  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 2  
*NOTE: See map, bottom of page 11.*
- ▶ **GROUSE: MOUNTAIN SHARP-TAILED**  
**SEASON:** Sept. 1–17  
**AREA:** Only GMUs 4, 5, 12, 13, 14, 131, 211, 214 and 441  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 2  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 4
- ▶ **PHEASANT**  
**SEASON 1:** Nov. 11–Jan. 31, 2018  
**AREA:** East of I-25  
**SEASON 2:** Nov. 11–Jan. 7, 2018  
**AREA:** West of I-25  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 3 cocks  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 9 cocks

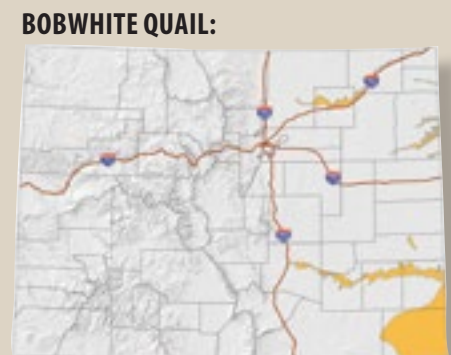
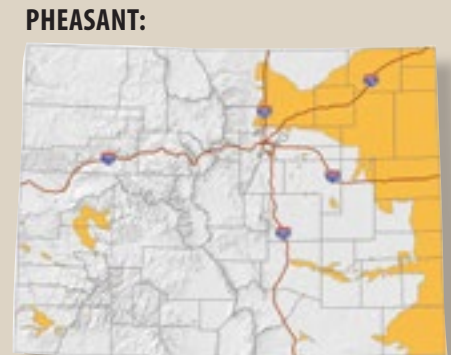
- ▶ **QUAIL: NORTHERN BOBWHITE, SCALED, GAMBEL'S**  
**SEASON 1:** Nov. 11–Jan. 31, 2018  
**AREA:** East of I-25 and south of I-70 from I-25 to Byers and Hwy. 36 from Byers to Kansas, and the parts of the following counties that are west of I-25: Pueblo, Fremont, Huerfano, **NEW** El Paso and Las Animas counties.  
**SEASON 2:** Nov. 11–Jan. 7, 2018  
**AREA:** East of I-25 and north of I-70 from I-25 east to Byers and Hwy. 36 from Byers to Kansas.  
**SEASON 3:** Nov. 11–Jan. 7, 2018  
**AREA:** West of I-25 except those areas west of I-25 in Pueblo, Fremont, Huerfano, **NEW** El Paso and Las Animas counties.  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 8 of each species  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 24 of each species
- ▶ **SANDHILL CRANE**  
**SEASON:** Sept. 30–Nov. 26  
**AREA:** East of the Continental Divide except North Park (Jackson County) and San Luis Valley.  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 3  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 9  
*NOTE: Permit required through HIP. See page 2 for more information.*
- ▶ **SORA & VIRGINIA RAIL**  
**SEASON:** Sept. 1–Nov. 9  
**AREA:** Statewide  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 25 singly or aggregate  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 75 singly or aggregate
- ▶ **WHITE-TAILED PTARMIGAN**  
**SEASON 1:** Sept. 9–Oct. 1  
**AREA:** Statewide except GMUs 44, 45, 53, 54, 66, 67, 68, 70, 71, 74-81, 444 and 751  
**SEASON 2:** Sept. 9–Nov. 19  
**AREA:** Only GMUs 44, 45, 53, 54, 66, 67, 68, 70, 71, 74-81, 444 and 751  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 3  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 6
- ▶ **WILSON'S SNIPE**  
**SEASON:** Sept. 1–Dec. 16  
**AREA:** Statewide  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 8  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 24



Ptarmigan © Wayne Lewis, CPW

## HABITAT RANGES: COMMON SMALL-GAME BIRDS

The ranges of popular Colorado birds to hunt are shaded in yellow below. The red lines through the state indicate I-70 east and west, I-25 north and south, and I-76 northeast from Denver.









## COLORADO DOVE IDENTIFICATION

There are three types of doves in Colorado.

Knowing how to identify each is important to avoid violating the law while hunting. White-winged doves are not common in Colorado, and live mostly along the Front Range. The white-winged dove is pioneering new habitats north of its historic range in the southwest U.S. Eurasian collared-doves are sporadic throughout the state. It is an exotic introduced into the United States, and is considered an invasive species.

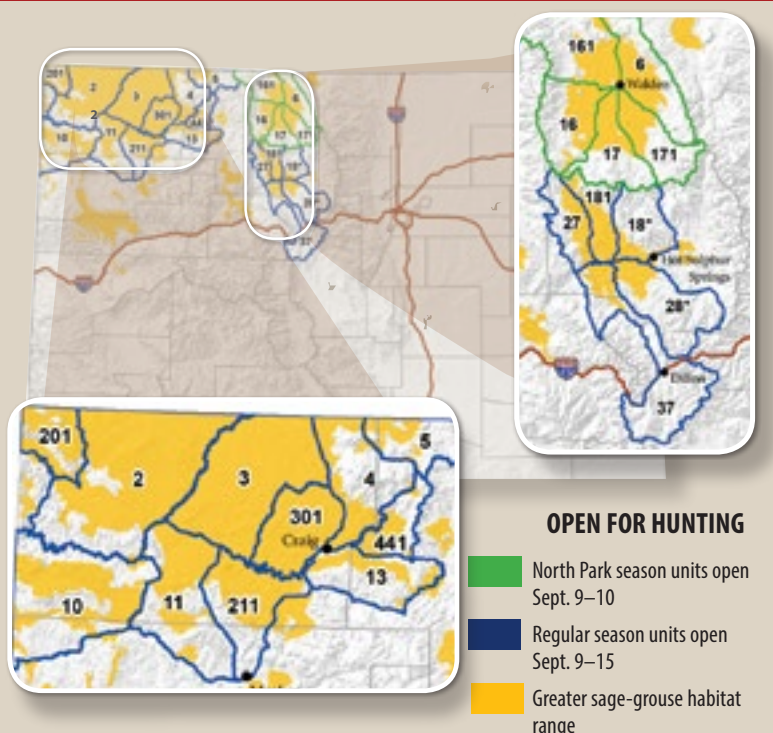
**DOVE BANDING**  
 Mourning doves are banded in Colorado and other states as part of a program to monitor their status. Hunters should report banded mourning doves to the USGS Bird Banding Lab:  
[www.reportband.gov](http://www.reportband.gov)

	<p><b>MOURNING DOVE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ 12 inches long from tip of beak to end of tail</li> <li>▶ Grayish-brown color</li> <li>▶ Long, pointed tail</li> <li>▶ Rapid wing beat, erratic flight path</li> <li>▶ Soft call — “cooAho” — followed by several coos</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>WHITE-WINGED DOVE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Slightly larger than mourning dove</li> <li>▶ Gray-brown color</li> <li>▶ Long, moderately rounded tail</li> <li>▶ White bar on upper wing surface</li> <li>▶ Soft call — “hoohoo hoohoo” — with the last note descending</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>EURASIAN COLLARED-DOVE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ 15 inches from tip of beak to end of tail</li> <li>▶ Larger, heavier than mourning dove</li> <li>▶ Dark grayish-brown</li> <li>▶ Long, squared tail</li> <li>▶ Thin black band on neck with white upper border</li> <li>▶ Gray belly and undertail coverts with black on tail</li> <li>▶ Rapid, three-part cooing — “coo-coo-coo” — middle coo is longest</li> </ul>	

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## GREATER SAGE-GROUSE HUNTING

The areas of the state open to greater sage-grouse hunting were recently modified based on grouse populations. Units open to greater sage-grouse hunting include GMUs 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 13, part of 18, 27, part of 28, 37, 181, 201, 211, 301 and 441. Also, the North Park season is open in units 6, 16, 17, 161 and 171.





# WATERFOWL: DUCKS & COOTS



Mallard duck © Wayne Lewis, CPW

## SEASON DATES & BAG LIMITS

### CENTRAL FLYWAY

#### ► NORTHEAST ZONE

**AREA:** East of I-25 and north of I-70  
**DATES:** Oct. 7–Nov. 27; Dec. 16–Jan. 28, 2018  
**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 **NEW 1 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. 25–Jan. 28, 2018  
**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 **NEW 1 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:** Sept. 30–Nov. 27; Dec. 23–Jan. 28, 2018  
**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 **NEW 1 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

### PACIFIC FLYWAY

#### ► WESTERN ZONE

**AREA:** West of Continental Divide not included in the Eastern Zone.  
**DATES:** Sept. 30–Oct. 18; Nov. 4–Jan. 28, 2018  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:**  
**DUCKS & MERGANSERS:** 7 in aggregate. Of these, no more than 2 can be female mallards, **NEW 1 pintail**, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads and 3 scaup. *No scaup can be taken after Jan. 9, 2018.*  
**COOTS:** 25  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 3 daily bag limits

#### ► EASTERN ZONE

**AREA:** Routt, Grand, Summit, Eagle and Pitkin counties, those parts of 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. 30–Jan. 12, 2018  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:**  
**DUCKS & MERGANSERS:** 7 in aggregate. Of these, no more than 2 can be female mallards, **NEW 1 pintail**, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads and 3 scaup. *No scaup can be taken after Dec. 24, 2017.*  
**COOTS:** 25  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 3 daily bag limits

### SEPTEMBER TEAL SEASON

#### SEASON DATES & BAG LIMITS:

**AREAS:** Lake and Chaffee counties and all areas east of I-25.  
**DATES:** Sept. 9–17  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 6 teal — blue-winged, green-winged and cinnamon teal in aggregate  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 18  
**NOTE:** Only teal can be harvested during this season. Teal can also be harvested during all other duck seasons, including Youth hunt season. Check daily bag limits on pages 12 and 16.

## DUCKS OF COLORADO

Illustrations of some commonly encountered ducks are depicted here. More on identifying waterfowl: [www.ducks.org/hunting/waterfowl-id](http://www.ducks.org/hunting/waterfowl-id)



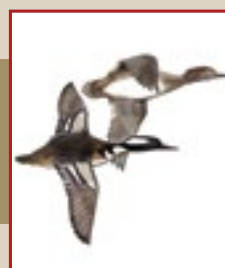
GADWALL



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AMERICAN WIGEON



BLUE-WINGED TEAL



CANVASBACK



WOOD DUCK



REDHEAD



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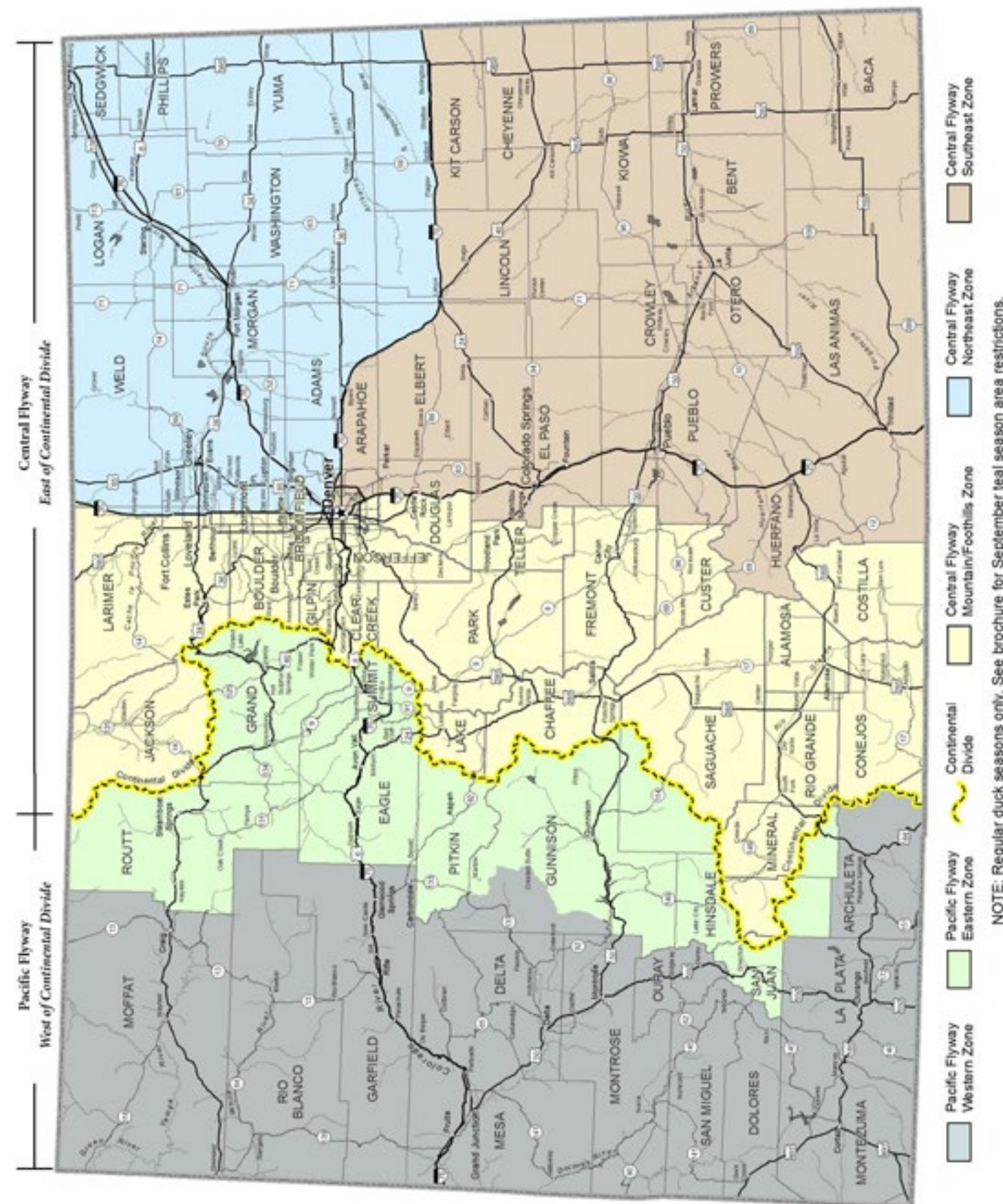


GOLDENEYE



GREEN-WINGED TEAL

# DUCK SEASONS: FLYWAYS & ZONES



# WATERFOWL: GEESE

## SEASON DATES & BAG LIMITS



Canadian goose © Wayne Lewis, CPW

### 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:** Nov. 6–Feb. 18, 2018  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 5  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 15  
**LIGHT GEESE:**  
**DATES:** Nov. 4–Feb. 18, 2018  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 50  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** Unlimited

- ▶ **LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER SEASON**  
**AREAS:** East of I-25  
**DATES:** Feb. 19–April 30, 2018  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** Unlimited  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** Unlimited  
**NOTE:** See page 6, No. 8 of *Legal Migratory Bird 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:** Sept. 30–Oct. 11; Nov. 18–Feb. 18, 2018  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 5  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 15  
**LIGHT GEESE:**  
**DATES:** Nov. 4–Feb. 18, 2018  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 50  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** Unlimited

- ▶ **NORTH PARK SEASON**  
**AREA:** Jackson County  
**DARK GEESE:**  
**DATES:** Sept. 30–Oct. 11; Nov. 18–Feb. 18, 2018  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 5  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 15  
**LIGHT GEESE:**  
**DATES:** Nov. 4–Feb. 18, 2018  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 50  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** Unlimited

- ▶ **SOUTH PARK/SAN LUIS VALLEY SEASON**  
**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:** Sept. 30–Oct. 11; Nov. 18–Feb. 18, 2018  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 5  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 15  
**LIGHT GEESE:**  
**DATES:** Nov. 4–Feb. 18, 2018  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 50  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** Unlimited

### PACIFIC FLYWAY

- ▶ **WESTERN ZONE**  
**AREA:** West of Continental Divide not included in Eastern Zone.  
**DATES:** Sept. 30–Oct. 9; Nov. 4–Jan. 28, 2018  
**DARK GEESE:**  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 4  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 12  
**LIGHT GEESE:**  
**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 10  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 30
- ▶ **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. 30–Jan. 3, 2018  
**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  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 12

## ATTENTION: SNOW GOOSE HUNTERS

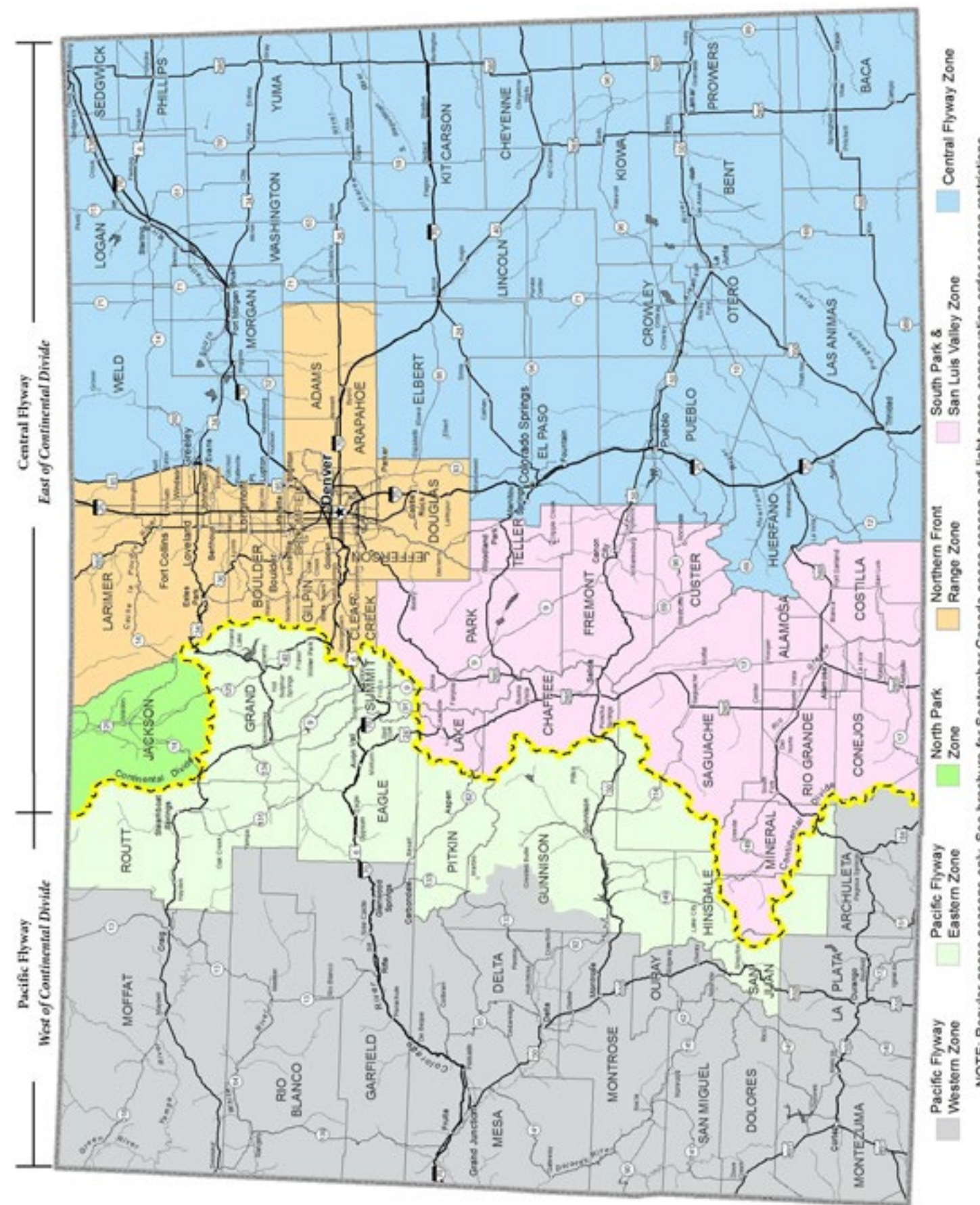
If you removed the plug from your shotgun to hunt during the 2017 Spring Conservation Action, remember to replace the plug before hunting in the fall small-game and waterfowl seasons.

Thank you. Your hunting and fishing licenses pay to protect Colorado wildlife.



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# GEESE SEASONS: FLYWAYS & ZONES



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

# WATERFOWL: YOUTH HUNT

**NOTE:** Hunting in youth seasons is restricted to youths aged 17 and younger with a mentor. Mentors cannot hunt during youth waterfowl seasons. See **Special License Information, page 2.**

## SEASON DATES & BAG LIMITS

### CENTRAL FLYWAY

#### ▶ ALL ZONES IN CENTRAL FLYWAY

##### DAILY BAG LIMITS:

**DUCKS, COOT, MERGANSERS:** Daily bag and possession limits are the same as regular Central Flyway regulations, see page 12.

**GEESE:** 5 dark geese

**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 3 daily bag limits

#### ▶ NORTHEAST ZONE

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

**DATES:** Sept. 30–Oct. 1

#### ▶ 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. 21–22

#### ▶ 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. 23–24

### PACIFIC FLYWAY

#### ▶ WESTERN ZONE

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

**DATES:** Oct. 28–29

##### DAILY BAG LIMITS:

**DUCKS & MERGANSERS:** 7 in aggregate. Of these, no more than 2 can be female mallards, **NEW** 1 pintail, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads and 3 scaup.

**COOTS:** 25

**GEESE:** 4 dark geese, 10 light geese

**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 3 daily bag limits

#### ▶ EASTERN ZONE

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

**DATES:** Sept. 23–24

##### DAILY BAG LIMIT:

**DUCKS & MERGANSERS:** 7 in aggregate. Of those, no more than 2 can be female mallards, **NEW** 1 pintail, 2 canvasback, 2 redheads and 3 scaup.

**COOTS:** 25

**GEESE:** 4 dark geese, 10 light geese

**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 3 daily bag limits

# HUNTING WITH HAWKS & FALCONS

**NOTE:** Regulations for using hawks and falcons to hunt small game and waterfowl, see page 8.



## SEASON DATES & BAG LIMITS

#### ▶ COTTONTAIL RABBIT, SNOWSHOE HARE, WHITE-TAILED & BLACK-TAILED JACKRABBIT

**SEASON:** Sept. 1–March 31, 2018

**AREA:** Statewide

**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 10 of each species

**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 20 of each species

#### ▶ CHUKAR PARTRIDGE

**SEASON:** Sept. 1–March 31, 2018

**AREA:** Statewide

**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 4

**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 12

#### ▶ DUCKS, GEESE, MERGANSER, COOTS, SORA, VIRGINIA RAIL, BAND-TAILED PIGEON, MOURNING & WHITE-WINGED DOVES, WILSON'S SNIPE, CROW

##### CENTRAL & PACIFIC FLYWAYS:

**SEASON:** Dates coincide with established seasons

**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 3 singly or in the aggregate for species with an open hunting season or special falconry season

**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 9 singly or in aggregate

**NOTE:** Falconry bag and possession limits are not in addition to gun bag limits.

#### ▶ EUROPEAN STARLING, HOUSE (ENGLISH) SPARROW, EURASIAN COLLARED-DOVES

**SEASON:** Year-round

**AREA:** Statewide

**BAG & POSSESSION LIMITS:** Unlimited

#### ▶ FOX & PINE SQUIRRELS

**SEASON:** Sept. 1–March 31, 2018

**AREA:** Statewide

**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 5 of each species

**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 10 of each species

#### ▶ FURBEARERS

**SEASON:** Dates coincide with established seasons (see *Small-Game Animals, page 9*).

**AREA:** Statewide

**BAG & POSSESSION LIMITS:** Unlimited

#### ▶ GROUSE: DUSKY (BLUE)

**SEASON:** Sept. 1–March 31, 2018

**AREA:** West of I-25

**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 3

**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 9

#### ▶ GROUSE: GREATER SAGE

**SEASON:** Sept. 1–Jan. 31, 2018

**AREA:** GMUs 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 13, 18 *except that portion of unit 18 east of Colo. 125 in Grand County, 27, 28 except that portion of GMU 28 north and east of Grand CR 50 (Church Park Rd.), 37, 181, 201, 211, 301 and 441; and in North Park (GMUs 6, 16, 17, 161 and 171)*

**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 2

**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 2 birds only in North Park (GMUs 6, 16, 17, 161 and 171); 4 birds in all other GMUs listed above.

#### ▶ GROUSE: MOUNTAIN SHARP-TAILED

**SEASON:** Sept. 1–Jan. 31, 2018

**AREA:** GMUs 4, 5, 12, 13, 14, 131, 211, 214, 441

**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 2

**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 4

#### ▶ PHEASANT

**SEASON:** Sept. 1–March 31, 2018

**AREA:** Statewide

**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 3

**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 9

#### ▶ QUAIL: NORTHERN BOBWHITE, SCALED, GAMBEL'S

**SEASON 1:** Sept. 1–March 31, 2018

**AREA:** Statewide

**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 8 of each species

**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 24 of each species

#### ▶ WHITE-TAILED PTARMIGAN

**SEASON:** Sept. 1–March 31, 2018

**AREA:** Statewide

**DAILY BAG LIMIT:** 3

**POSSESSION LIMIT:** 6

# LAND-USE RULES

## SPECIAL REGULATIONS FOR SMALL GAME & WATERFOWL

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.

### 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. Hunting reservations required, see "Reservation Procedures" (at right) 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.
3. 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.
4. From Sept. 1–end of regular dark goose season, only open for migratory bird hunting within designated hunting areas.
5. No hunting on Clark Lake.
6. Mandatory check in and check out as posted.
7. 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, 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 (this page) 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.

**NOTE:** This is not a complete list of regulations for these properties. See the **2017 Colorado State Recreation Lands brochure** for complete regulations.

- 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).

### ATWOOD SWA, LOGAN CO.

1. Public access by foot only, through designated parking.
2. No reservations needed for small-game or waterfowl 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, not required. See "Reservation Procedures" (this page) for details. Hunters can only hunt the area specified on the reservation. Maximum 4 hunters per reservation.

- b. Reservations valid all of 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 confirmation number 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.,

## 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

**BRUSH SWA, MORGAN CO.**

1. Public access only from 3 a.m.–9 p.m., except with night-hunting permit.
2. No reservations needed for small-game or waterfowl 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 two vehicles are allowed on the property per group. Before Dec. 1, hunters must park in the area they check into.
4. One hunting area is reserved for residents of the city of Brush and is 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 CPW office in Brush, 970-842-6300.
5. From Sept. 1–Nov. 30, only migratory-bird hunting allowed and only on Sat., Sun., Wed., Columbus Day (observed), Veterans Day and Thanksgiving Day. Some dates are changing, see website.
6. From Sept. 1–Dec. 1, reservations required until sunrise. See Reservation Procedures (page 17) 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.
7. 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.
  8. From the Thurs. before opening of teal season until Nov. 30, 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 number 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 motor 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 17) for details. Hunters with reservations can only hunt the area specified on the reservation. Maximum 4 hunters per reservation. Mandatory check in and 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.

**CERRO SUMMIT SWA, MONTROSE CO.**

1. Public access is for fishing and hunting only.
2. Open March 1–Nov. 30.
3. Hunting is allowed from Aug. 15–Nov. 30.

4. Fishing permitted March 1–Nov. 30.
5. Access to property through the designated parking area only; public access by foot only.
6. Dogs are prohibited, except as an aid in hunting.
7. Water contact prohibited, except by float tubes with waders only.

**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 17) 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.

**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>
3. Dogs allowed only as aid to hunting.

**DOMELAKES SWA, SAGUACHE CO.**

1. Access by foot or horseback only from designated parking. Parking allowed only in parking areas.
2. Camping allowed during waterfowl seasons only in designated areas.
3. Dogs allowed only as aid to hunting.

**DRY FORK STL, ROUTT CO.**

1. Open for public access from September 1 through September 16. Public access is limited to sharp-tailed grouse hunting only. Sharp-tailed grouse hunting on weekends and Labor Day by permit only. On those days a maximum of four hunters will be allowed per day by permit only.
2. Permits are free and may be applied for by contacting the Steamboat Springs Service Center at PO Box 775777, Steamboat Springs, CO 80477 or by calling 970-871-2855. Permit application deadline is July 1 annually. Permits will be issued by drawing, and successful applicants will be notified by mail.

**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.

**LAND 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, Jackson Lake, 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

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 17) 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 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.

**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 17) 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 on Van Tuyl tract.

**GYPSUM 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 Mon.–Fri. and only in designated blinds. Maximum 4 hunters per blind.
2. Waterfowl hunting by reservation only. See Reservation Procedures (page 17) for details. Hunters may only hunt the area specified on the reservation. 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.
4. Waterfowl and small game hunting only Mon.–Fri., except for youth hunting waterfowl during the youth waterfowl weekend season, Oct. 28–29. 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.

**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 Wed.–Fri., except on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day.
3. Hunting permitted with shotguns, hand-held bows and muzzleloaders or by falconry.
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. Waterfowl hunting on Sat. for youth/mentor hunting only from 100 yards east of Blind No. 1 to the western boundary of the property.
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 17) for details. Hunters may only hunt the 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.**

1. Hunting by reservation only. See Reservation Procedures (page 17) for details. Hunters may only hunt the area specified on the reservation. Mandatory check-in and check-out procedures as posted.

**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 17) 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 17) for details. If you do not have a reservation, then you will not be able to hunt this property.
4. Hunting is only available on weekends (Sat. and Sun.) during established waterfowl seasons.
5. Blind may be occupied from one-half hour prior to sunrise to one-half hour prior to sunset.
6. Please respect private property in this area and remain on CPW property for the duration of your visit.

**JEAN K. TOOL SWA, MORGAN CO.**

1. Access through designated parking areas only, from 3 a.m.–9 p.m., open later only with night-hunting permit.
2. Reservations no longer required for waterfowl or small-game hunting.
3. Launching or take out of vessels prohibited from first day of teal season through dark goose season.

**JOHN MARTIN RESERVOIR SWA, BENT CO.**

1. 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.**

1. 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.
2. Light goose hunting is allowed within the Johnson Pond Special Goose Closure only during special late

**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

light goose season and Light Goose Conservation Order.

**JUMBO RESERVOIR SWA, LOGAN & SEDGWICK COS.**

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. No hunting on frozen surface of lake.

**JUMPING COW SWA, ELBERT CO.**

1. Dove hunting allowed by permit only. Permits issued free in a drawing process. Details and applications available at CPW, 303-291-7227. Application due third Mon. in August.
2. Vehicle use only on marked roads that lead to parking. All other access by foot or horseback. Leave property gates as found.
3. Open to hunting two hours before sunrise to one hour after sunset.
4. **ON WOODARD UNIT:**
  - a. Hunting restricted to waterfowl, small game (except dove, turkey and coyote).
  - b. Permits issued with priority to mobility-impaired hunters and youth. Mobility-impaired hunters may bring two nonhunting companions, and may use OHV for hunting and game retrieval as specified.
  - c. Dogs are prohibited.

**LAKE DOROTHEY, WALKER AND WINDY GAP SWAS**

1. Access Lake Dorothea SWA by foot or horseback from established parking areas.
2. Trapping prohibited at all three SWAs.
3. Hunting prohibited at Walker and Windy Gap SWAs.

**LOWER LATHAM RESERVOIR, WELD CO.**

1. Hunting prohibited as posted.

**MACK MESA STATE RECREATION AREA, MESA CO.**

1. Hunting, trapping prohibited.

**MACFARLANE RESERVOIR STL, JACKSON CO.**

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

**MEREDITH RESERVOIR, CROWLEY CO.**

1. Hunting prohibited as posted.

**MITANI-TOKUYASU SWA, WELD CO.**

1. During duck season, parking area open only 4 a.m. until one hour after sunset. Parking in designated spaces in parking areas only.
2. 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 17). After noon, all parking spaces are on first-come, first-served basis.
1. Launching or take out of vessels prohibited from first day of teal season through dark goose season.

**MOGENSEN PONDS SWA, MESA CO.**

1. Waterfowl hunting only and only from designated blinds.

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

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

**MT. EVANS HIGHWAY, CLEAR CREEK CO.**

1. Hunting prohibited on Mt. Evans Summit Lake Cirque and within a half-mile of either side of the centerline of Mt. Evans Hwy. (Colo. 5) while the road is open to vehicle traffic from the intersection with Colo. 103 to the summit. When Mt. Evans Hwy. is closed to vehicles at the intersection with Colo. 103, the hunting closure is lifted and hunting is permitted within half-mile of highway, with the exception of white-tailed ptarmigan hunting.

**NEW WINDSOR RESERVOIR, WELD CO.**

1. Hunting prohibited as posted.
2. 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.
3. 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.**

1. Open for public access July 15–March 14. Waterfowl hunting only, no small-game hunting.
2. Only access from parking area on “C” Rd., between roads 30 and 31. Vehicles prohibited beyond parking area.
3. Waterfowl hunting only. Hunters must hunt from designated blinds or in the zone identified for each blind. Maximum 4 hunters per blind.
4. Must hunt with bows and/or shotguns with shotshells only.
5. Dogs allowed only as an aid to hunting.
6. Waterfowl hunting by reservation only. See Reservation Procedures (page 17) for details. Hunters may only hunt the area specified on the reservation. Mandatory check-in and check-out procedures as posted.
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.

**OVERLAND TRAIL SWA, LOGAN CO.**

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

**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 50 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. Float tubes or carry-on craft propelled by hand allowed for fishing or hunting only. From Oct. 1–March 31, only boats allowed are hand-propelled crafts used to place or retrieve decoys or retrieve downed waterfowl.

**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 provide 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 17) for details. Reservations available for weekends and Columbus Day (observed), Veterans Day, 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 post-marked 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.

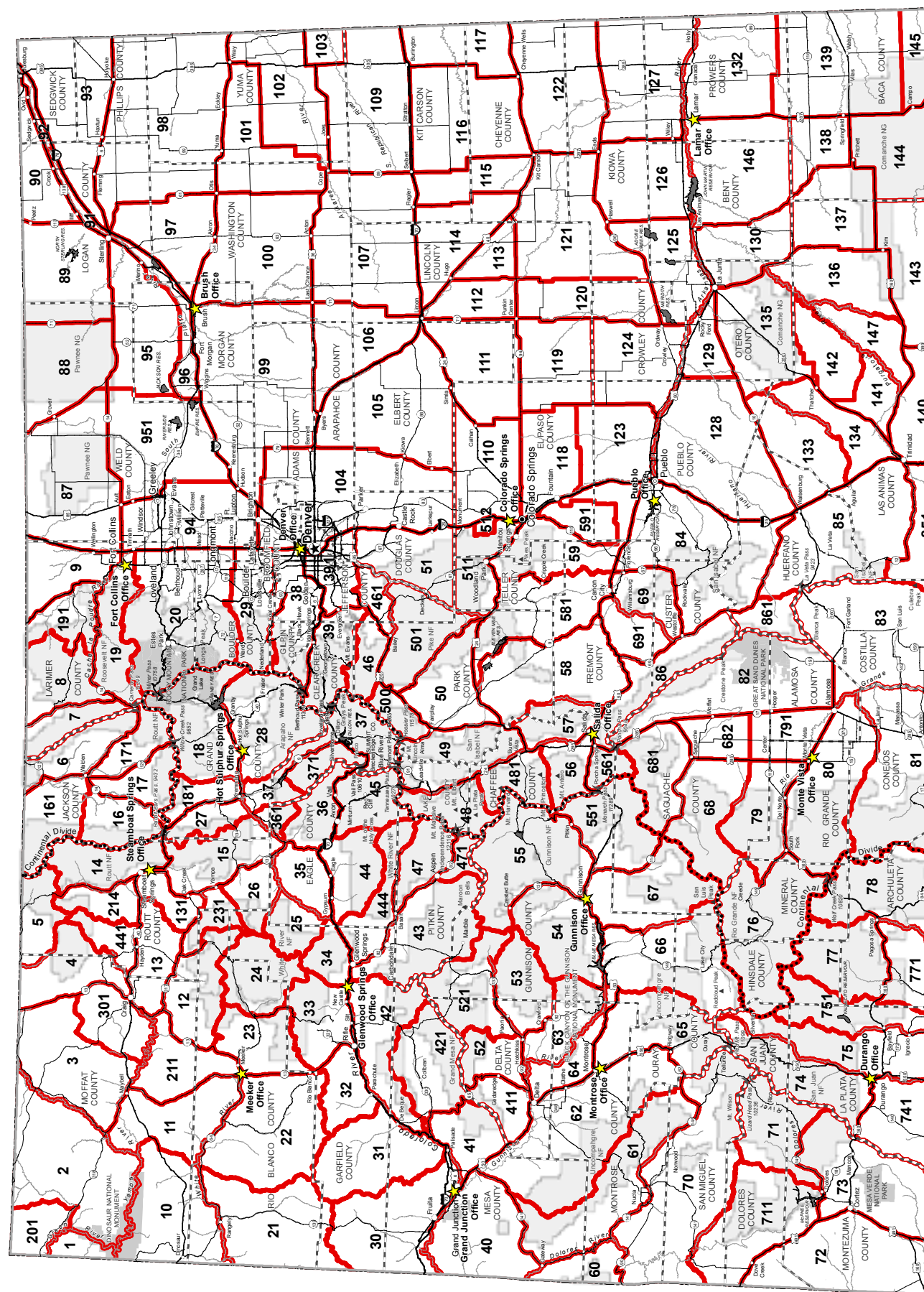
- e. Ponds open to hunting without a reservation during the spring light goose conservation order season. All hunters must follow check-in and check-out procedures as posted.

**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, or by falconry.
4. Dogs allowed only as aid to hunting.
5. Waterfowl hunters must hunt from designated blinds or in the zone identified for each blind. Maximum 4 hunters per blind.
6. Waterfowl hunting by reservation only. See Reservation Procedures (page 17) for details. Hunters may only hunt the area specified on the reservation.
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.

LAND-USE RULES CONTINUED ON BACK COVER

# GAME MANAGEMENT UNIT MAP





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#### LAND-USE RULES, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 20

##### 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.

##### TWENTY MILE/GRASSY CREEK STLS, ROUTT CO.

1. Open for small-game hunting Aug. 15–end of February. During mountain sharp-tailed grouse season, hunting on weekends and Labor Day by permit only. On those days, maximum of 8 hunters allowed daily. Maximum 4 hunters allowed per permit. No limit on hunters on weekdays.
2. Permits are free. Apply by contacting Steamboat Springs CPW office, Box 775777, Steamboat Springs, CO 80477 or by calling 970-871-2855. Permit deadline July 1. Permits issued by drawing. Successful applicants notified by mail.

##### WELLINGTON SWA, WELLINGTON UNIT, LARIMER/WELD COS.

1. From first day of regular waterfowl season to first day of pheasant season 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. Open only 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 17) 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. Mandatory check in and check out as posted at designated check station.
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: [www.denverwater.org/search/node?keys=hunting](http://www.denverwater.org/search/node?keys=hunting)

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