

2016-17 KENTUCKY HUNTING SEASONS

DEER	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	Zone 4
Modern Gun	Nov. 12-27, 2016 (either sex)		Nov. 12-21, 2016 (either sex)	Nov. 12-21, 2016 (antlered only)
Archery	Sept. 3, 2016 – Jan. 16, 2017 (either sex)			Sept. 3, 2016 – Jan. 16, 2017 (either sex, except antlered only Oct. 15-16, Nov. 12-21 and Dec. 10-15)
Crossbow	Oct. 1-16 and Nov. 12 – Dec. 31, 2016 (either sex)			Oct. 1-16 and Nov. 12 – Dec. 31, 2016 (either sex, except antlered only Oct. 15-16, Nov. 12-21, Dec. 10-15)
Muzzleloader	Oct. 15-16 and Dec. 10-18, 2016 (either sex)			Oct. 15-16 and Dec. 10-15, 2016 (antlered only) and Dec. 16-18, 2016 (either sex)
Youth-only Firearms	Oct. 8-9, 2016 (either sex)			
Free Youth Weekend	Dec. 31, 2016 – Jan. 1, 2017 (either sex)			

QUOTA ELK	Firearms	Archery	Crossbow
Bull (antlered)	Week 1: Oct. 1-7, 2016 Week 2: Oct. 8-14, 2016	Sept. 17-30, Oct. 15 – Dec. 9, Dec. 17, 2016 – Jan. 6 and Jan. 14-16, 2017	Sept. 24-30, Oct. 15 – Dec. 9 and Dec. 17-23, 2016
Cow (antlerless)	Week 1: Dec. 10-16, 2016 Week 2: Jan. 7-13, 2017	Oct. 15 – Dec. 9, Dec. 17, 2016 – Jan. 6 and Jan. 14-16, 2017	Oct. 15 – Dec. 9 and Dec. 17-23, 2016
Youth-only Quota (either sex)	All seasons as noted above		

BEAR	Chase-only	Archery/Crossbow	Modern Gun	Quota Hunt w/Dogs	Youth-only
	Aug. 1-31, 2016	Oct. 22-28, 2016	Dec. 10-12, 2016	Nov. 26-27 and Dec. 17-18, 2016	Dec. 31, 2016 – Jan 1, 2017

FALL TURKEY	Shotgun	Archery	Crossbow
	Oct. 22-28 and Dec. 3-9, 2016	Sept. 3, 2016 – Jan. 16, 2017	Oct. 1-16 and Nov. 12 – Dec. 31, 2016

SMALL GAME		Hunting	Trapping
Squirrel		Aug. 20 – Nov. 11 and Nov. 14, 2016 – Feb. 28, 2017	One-half hour before sunrise Nov. 14, 2016 – Feb. 28, 2017
Rabbit	Eastern Zone	Nov. 1-11 and Nov. 14, 2016 – Jan. 31, 2017	One-half hour before sunrise Nov. 14, 2016 – Jan. 31, 2017
	Western Zone	Nov. 14, 2016 – Feb. 10, 2017	One-half hour before sunrise Nov. 14, 2016 – Feb. 10, 2017
Quail	Eastern Zone	Nov. 1-11 and Nov. 14, 2016 – Jan. 31, 2017	No trapping
	Western Zone	Nov. 14, 2016 – Feb. 10, 2017	
Grouse		Nov. 1-11 and Nov. 14, 2016 – Feb. 28, 2017	
Falconry		Sept. 1, 2016 – March 30, 2017	
Free Youth Hunting & Trapping Week		Dec. 31, 2016 – Jan. 6, 2017	

FURBEARERS	Hunting	Trapping
Raccoon & Opossum	Oct. 1, 2016 – Feb. 28, 2017, day or night (exceptions apply)	One-half hour before sunrise Nov. 14, 2016 – Feb. 28, 2017
Coyote	Year-round, day or night (exceptions apply)	
Bobcat	One-half hour before sunrise Nov. 26, 2016 – Feb. 28, 2017, daylight hours only	
River Otter, Muskrat, Mink, Beaver, Red Fox, Gray Fox, Weasel & Striped Skunk	One-half hour before sunrise Nov. 14, 2016 – Feb. 28, 2017, daylight hours only	
Free Youth Hunting & Trapping Week	Dec. 31, 2016 – Jan. 6, 2017	

OTHER SPECIES	Hunting
Crow	One-half hour before sunrise Sept. 1 – Nov. 7, 2016 and Jan. 4 – Feb. 28, 2017, daylight hours only
Bullfrog	Noon May 20 – Midnight Oct. 31, 2016
Groundhog	Year-round
Turtles	Year-round, day or night (exceptions apply)

Special rules such as hunting zones, quotas and species restrictions may apply to these season dates. Please refer to the pages listed above for complete details before you hunt.