



# KENTUCKY HUNTING & TRAPPING SEASONS 2022-23

DEER	Early Season	Late Season
Archery	Sept. 3, 2022 - Jan. 16, 2023	
Youth/Senior Crossbow		
Crossbow	Sept. 17, 2022 - Jan. 16, 2023	
Youth-only Gun	Oct. 8-9, 2022	
Muzzleloader	Oct. 15-16, 2022	Dec. 10-18, 2022
Modern Gun	Nov. 12-27, 2022	
Free Youth Weekend	Dec. 31, 2022 - Jan. 1, 2023	

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FALL TURKEY	Shotgun	Archery	Crossbow
	Oct. 22-28 and Dec. 3-9, 2022	Sept. 3, 2022 - Jan. 16, 2023	Oct. 1-16 and Nov. 12 - Dec. 31, 2022

QUOTA ELK	Bull (antlered)	Cow (antlerless)
Firearms	<b>Week 1:</b> Sept. 24-28, 2022 <b>Week 2:</b> Oct. 1-5, 2022	<b>Week 1:</b> Nov. 26-30, 2022 <b>Week 2:</b> Dec. 31, 2022 - Jan. 4, 2023
Archery/Crossbow (either sex)	Sept. 10-23 and Dec. 3-9, 2022	
Youth-only Quota (either sex)	All seasons as noted above	

SMALL GAME	Hunting	Trapping
Squirrel	Aug. 20 - Nov. 11 and Nov. 14, 2022 - Feb. 28, 2023	One-half hour before sunrise Nov. 14, 2022 - Feb. 28, 2023
Rabbit	Eastern Zone Nov. 1-11 and Nov. 14, 2022 - Jan. 31, 2023	One-half hour before sunrise on Nov. 14, 2022 - Jan. 31, 2023
	Western Zone Nov. 14, 2022 - Feb. 10, 2023	One-half hour before sunrise on Nov. 14, 2022 - Feb. 10, 2023
Quail	Eastern Zone Nov. 1-11 and Nov. 14, 2022 - Jan. 31, 2023	No trapping
	Western Zone Nov. 14, 2022 - Feb. 10, 2023	
Grouse	Nov. 1-11 and Nov. 14, 2022 - Feb. 28, 2023	
Falconry	Sept. 1, 2022 - March 30, 2023	
Free Youth Hunting & Trapping Week	Dec. 31, 2022 - Jan. 6, 2023	

FURBEARERS	Hunting	Trapping
Raccoon & Opossum	Oct. 1, 2022 - Feb. 28, 2023, day or night (exceptions apply)	One-half hour before sunrise on Nov. 14, 2022 - Feb. 28, 2023
Coyote	Year-round, day or night (exceptions apply)	
Bobcat	One-half hour before sunrise Nov. 19, 2022 - Feb. 28, 2023	
River Otter, Muskrat, Mink, Beaver, Red Fox, Gray Fox, Weasel & Striped Skunk	One-half hour before sunrise Nov. 14, 2022 - Feb. 28, 2023	
Free Youth Hunting & Trapping Week	Dec. 31, 2022 - Jan. 6, 2023	

WATERFOWL	Hunting
Early Teal & Wood Duck	Sept. 17-21, 2022
Teal Only	Sept. 17-25, 2022
September Canada Goose (all zones)	Sept. 16-30, 2022
Duck, Coot & Merganser	Nov. 24-27 and Dec. 7, 2022 - Jan. 31, 2023
Canada/Cackling Goose, White-Fronted Goose, Brant & Snow Goose (including Ross' Goose)	Nov. 24, 2022 - Feb. 15, 2023
Falconry (ducks, coots & mergansers)	Nov. 28 - Dec. 6, 2022 and Feb. 1-15, 2023
Falconry (geese)	Same as regular season
Snow Goose Conservation Order	Feb. 16 - Mar. 31, 2023
Youth-only Days	Nov. 19, 2022; Feb. 11, 2023
Military/Veteran-only Days	Nov. 20, 2022; Feb. 12, 2023

OTHER MIGRATORY BIRDS	Hunting
Dove	Sept. 1 - Oct. 26, Nov. 24 - Dec. 4, 2022 and Dec. 24, 2022 - Jan. 15, 2023
Wilson's Snipe	Sept. 21 - Oct. 30, 2022 and Nov. 24, 2022 - Jan. 29, 2023
Virginia & Sora Rail	Sept. 1 - Nov. 9, 2022
Purple & Common Gallinule	Sept. 1 - Nov. 9, 2022
American Woodcock	Oct. 22 - Nov. 11 and Nov. 14 - Dec. 7, 2022
Sandhill Crane	Dec. 7, 2022 - Jan. 31, 2023
Crow	Sept. 1 - Nov. 7, 2022 and Jan. 4 - Feb. 28, 2023; one half hour before sunrise until sunset

OTHER SPECIES	Hunting
Bullfrog	Noon May 20 - Midnight Oct. 31, 2022
Groundhog	Year-round
Turtles	Year-round, day or night

BEAR	Zones: Check online at fw.ky.gov for current zone designations
Chase-Only	June 1 - Aug. 31 and Sept. 9-30, 2022
Hunt with Dogs	Late October, check fw.ky.gov for current season dates
Archery/Crossbow	Late October, check fw.ky.gov for current season dates
Firearm	Mid-December, check fw.ky.gov for current season dates

NOTE: Seasons on Wildlife Management Areas and other public hunting lands not managed by Kentucky Fish & Wildlife may be different from those above. Go online to fw.ky.gov for details.