

# MINNESOTA SMALL GAME HUNTING SEASONS

\* Shooting does not begin until 9 a.m. on opening day for badger, fox, opossum, raccoon, and weasel. Find additional information on Minnesota's hunting regulations from the MNDNR at [www.dnr.state.mn.us](http://www.dnr.state.mn.us).

## FURBEARERS

| SPECIES   | LIMITS / HOURS   | JAN  | FEB | MAR | APRIL   | MAY | JUNE | JULY | AUG | SEPT | OCT                     | NOV | DEC |
|---|--|--|-----|-----|---|-----|------|------|-----|------|-------------------------|-----|-----|
| <b>Badger (N)</b>                                 | Daily: No limit; Possession: No limit; Hours: 1/2 hr before sunrise to sunset  | ← Mid-OCT to Mid-MARCH                               |     |     | <b>BADGER (N)</b>                             |     |      |      |     |      | Mid-OCT to Mid-MARCH →  |     |     |
| <b>Badger (S)</b>                                 | Daily: No limit; Possession: No limit; Hours: 1/2 hr before sunrise to sunset  | ← Late OCT to Mid-MARCH                              |     |     | <b>BADGER (S)</b>                             |     |      |      |     |      | Late OCT to Mid-MARCH → |     |     |
| <b>Bobcat (N of I94 &amp; U.S. HWY 10)</b>        | Daily: 5 including trapping; Possession: 5 including trapping w/ only 1 from South of I-94; Hours: 1/2 hr before sunrise to sunset   | ← Mid-DEC to Mid-JAN                                 |     |     | <b>BOBCAT (N OF I94 &amp; U.S. HWY 10)</b>    |     |      |      |     |      | Mid-DEC to Mid-JAN →    |     |     |
| <b>Bobcat (S of I94 &amp; U.S. HWY 10)</b>        | Daily: 5 including trapping; Possession: 5 including trapping w/ only 1 from South of I-94; Hours: 1/2 hr before sunrise to sunset   | ← Early JAN to Mid-JAN                               |     |     | <b>BOBCAT (S OF I94 &amp; U.S. HWY 10)</b>    |     |      |      |     |      |                         |     |     |
| <b>Fox, Grey &amp; Red (N)</b>                    | Daily: No limit; Possession: No limit; Hours: 1/2 hr before sunrise to sunset; *May use a light during night: 1/1-3/15; **May be run by dogs during closed season  | ← Mid-OCT to Mid-MARCH                               |     |     | <b>GREY/RED FOX (N)</b>                       |     |      |      |     |      | Mid-OCT to Mid-MARCH →  |     |     |
| <b>Fox, Grey &amp; Red (S)</b>                    | Daily: No limit; Possession: No limit; Hours: 1/2 hr before sunrise to sunset  | ← Mid-OCT to Mid-MARCH                               |     |     | <b>GREY/RED FOX (S)</b>                       |     |      |      |     |      | Mid-OCT to Mid-MARCH →  |     |     |
| <b>Opossum (N)</b>                                | Daily: No limit; Possession: No limit; Hours: 1/2 hr before sunrise to sunset  | ← Mid-OCT to Mid-MARCH                               |     |     | <b>OPOSSUM (N)</b>                            |     |      |      |     |      | Mid-OCT to Mid-MARCH →  |     |     |
| <b>Opossum (S)</b>                                | Daily: No limit; Possession: No limit; Hours: 1/2 hr before sunrise to sunset  | ← Mid-OCT to Mid-MARCH                               |     |     | <b>OPOSSUM (S)</b>                            |     |      |      |     |      | Mid-OCT to Mid-MARCH →  |     |     |
| <b>Rabbit, Cottontail &amp; Snow-shoe Hare</b>    | Daily: 10 combined Snow-shoe Hare & Cottontail; Possession: 20 combined Snow-shoe Hare & Cottontail; Hours: 1/2 hr before sunrise to sunset  | ← Mid-SEPT to FEB 28th                               |     |     | <b>SNOW-SHOE HARE &amp; COTTONTAIL RABBIT</b> |     |      |      |     |      | Mid-SEPT to FEB 28th →  |     |     |
| <b>Rabbit, Jack</b>                               | Daily: 1; Possession: 3; Hours: 1/2 hr before sunrise to sunset  | ← Mid-SEPT to FEB 28th                               |     |     | <b>JACK RABBIT</b>                            |     |      |      |     |      | Mid-SEPT to FEB 28th →  |     |     |
| <b>Raccoon (N)</b>                                | Daily: No limit; Possession: No limit; Hours: 1/2 hr before sunrise to 1/2 hr after sunset; *see more  | ← Mid-OCT to Mid-MARCH                               |     |     | <b>RACCOON (N)</b>                            |     |      |      |     |      | Mid-OCT to Mid-MARCH →  |     |     |
| <b>Raccoon (S)</b>                                | Daily: No limit; Possession: No limit; Hours: 1/2 hr before sunrise to 1/2 hr after sunset; *see more  | ← Mid-OCT to Mid-MARCH                               |     |     | <b>RACCOON (S)</b>                            |     |      |      |     |      | Mid-OCT to Mid-MARCH →  |     |     |
|   |  | JAN  | FEB | MAR | APRIL   | MAY | JUNE | JULY | AUG | SEPT | OCT                     | NOV | DEC |
| <b>Squirrel, Grey &amp; Fox</b>                   | Daily: 7 combined Grey & Fox; Possession: 14 combined Grey & Fox; Hours: 1/2 hr before sunrise to sunset   | ← Mid-SEPT to FEB 28th                               |     |     | <b>GREY &amp; FOX SQUIRREL</b>                |     |      |      |     |      | Mid-SEPT to FEB 28th →  |     |     |
| <b>Squirrel, Red/Pine</b>                         | Daily: No limit; Possession: No limit  | Continuous <b>RED/PINE SQUIRREL</b> (unprotected)    |     |     |   |     |      |      |     |      |                         |     |     |
| <b>Weasel, Long-Tailed &amp; Short-Tailed (N)</b> | Daily: No limit; Possession: No limit; Hours: 1/2 hr before sunrise to sunset  | ← Mid-OCT to Mid-MARCH                               |     |     | <b>WEASEL (N)</b>                             |     |      |      |     |      | Mid-OCT to Mid-MARCH →  |     |     |
| <b>Weasel, Long-Tailed &amp; Short-Tailed (S)</b> | Daily: No limit; Possession: No limit; Hours: 1/2 hr before sunrise to sunset  | ← Mid-OCT to Mid-MARCH                               |     |     | <b>WEASEL (S)</b>                             |     |      |      |     |      | Mid-OCT to Mid-MARCH →  |     |     |
| <b>Non-Migratory Small Game (by Falconry)</b>     | Daily: 10 rabbits, 7 squirrel, Other small game: 3 combined, not to include more than 1 hen pheasant; Possession: 20 rabbits, 14 squirrel, Other small game: 6 combined, not to include more than 2 hen pheasant; Hours: 1/2 hr before sunrise to sunset except pheasants may not be taken before 9 a.m. | ← SEPT 1st to FEB 28th                               |     |     | <b>NON-MIGRATORY SMALL GAME (BY FALCONRY)</b> |     |      |      |     |      | SEPT 1st to FEB 28th →  |     |     |
| <b>Coyote</b>                                     | Daily: No limit; Possession: No limit; *May use a light during night: 1/1-3/15   | Continuous <b>COYOTE</b> (unprotected)               |     |     |   |     |      |      |     |      |                         |     |     |
| <b>Gopher, Plains Pocket</b>                      | Daily: No limit; Possession: No limit  | Continuous <b>PLAINS POCKET GOPHER</b> (unprotected) |     |     |   |     |      |      |     |      |                         |     |     |
| <b>Porcupine</b>                                  | Daily: No limit; Possession: No limit  | Continuous <b>PORCUPINE</b> (unprotected)            |     |     |   |     |      |      |     |      |                         |     |     |
| <b>Skunk, Striped</b>                             | Daily: No limit; Possession: No limit  | Continuous <b>STRIPED SKUNK</b> (unprotected)        |     |     |   |     |      |      |     |      |                         |     |     |
| <b>Woodchuck</b>                                  | Daily: No limit; Possession: No limit  | Continuous <b>WOODCHUCK</b> (unprotected)            |     |     |   |     |      |      |     |      |                         |     |     |