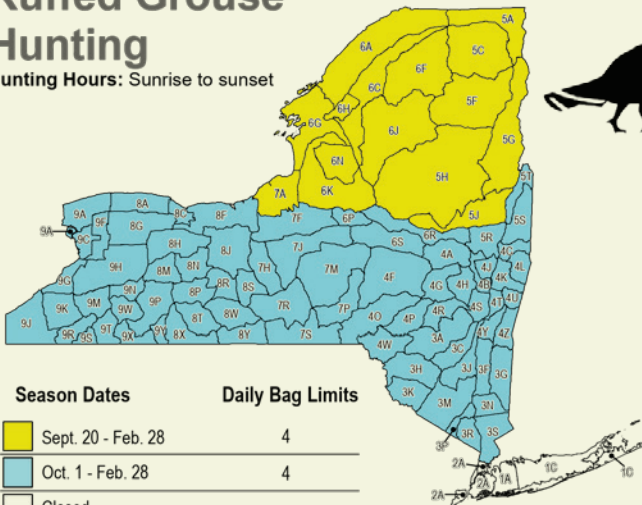




# New York State 2025-2026

## Ruffed Grouse Hunting

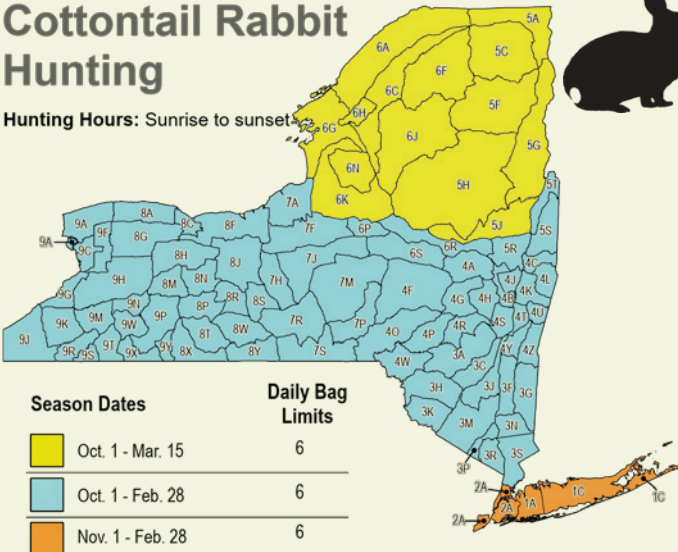
Hunting Hours: Sunrise to sunset



Season Dates	Daily Bag Limits
Sept. 20 - Feb. 28	4
Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	4
Closed	

## Cottontail Rabbit Hunting

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to sunset

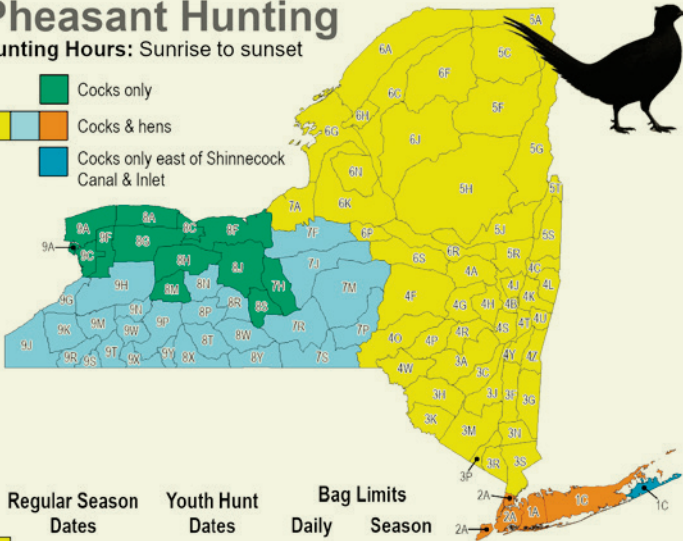


Season Dates	Daily Bag Limits
Oct. 1 - Mar. 15	6
Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	6
Nov. 1 - Feb. 28	6

## Pheasant Hunting

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to sunset

- Cocks only
- Cocks & hens
- Cocks only east of Shinnecock Canal & Inlet



Regular Season Dates	Youth Hunt Dates	Daily Bag Limits	Season
Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	Sept. 27 & 28	2	--
Oct. 18 - Feb. 28	Oct. 11 & 12	2	--
Oct. 18 - Dec. 31	Oct. 11 & 12	2	--
Nov. 1 - Dec. 31	Oct. 25 & 26 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup> /4 <sup>**</sup>	30
Nov. 1 - Dec. 31	Oct. 25 & 26	2 <sup>1</sup> /4 <sup>**</sup>	30

<sup>1</sup>In WMU 2A no youth hunt; hunting is by falconry only  
<sup>\*\*</sup>Youth hunt  
<sup>\*\*</sup>Regular season

## Bobwhite Quail Hunting

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to sunset

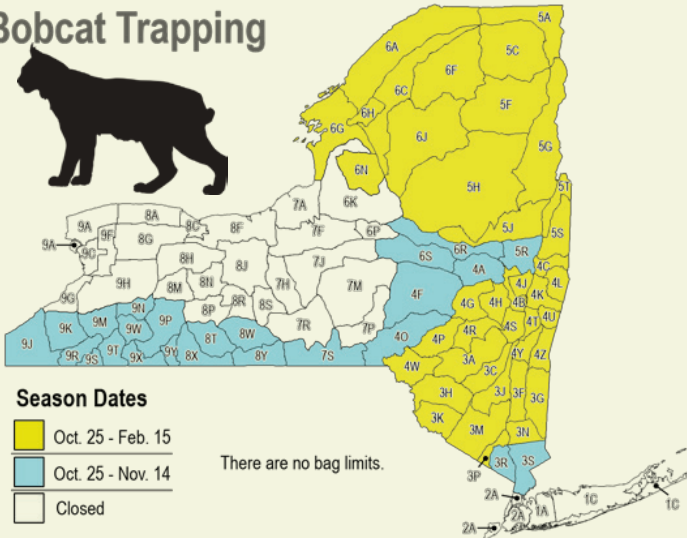
Season Dates	Bag Limits
Daily	Season
Oct. 1 - Feb. 28	4 10
Nov. 1 - Dec. 31	6 40
Closed	



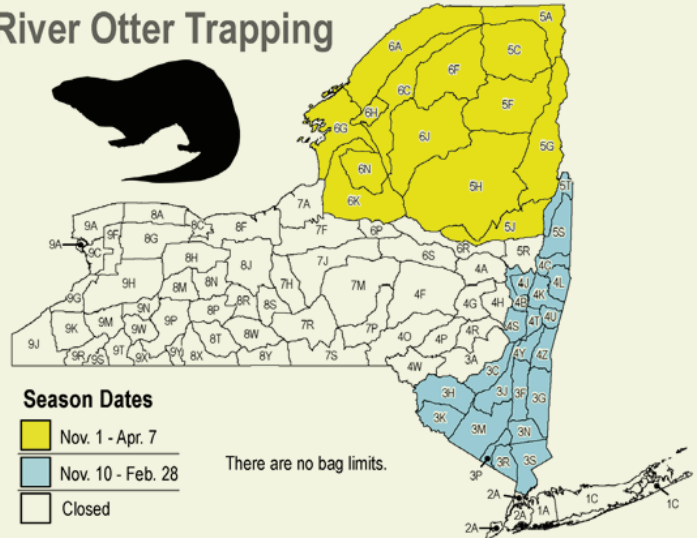


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## Bobcat Trapping



## River Otter Trapping

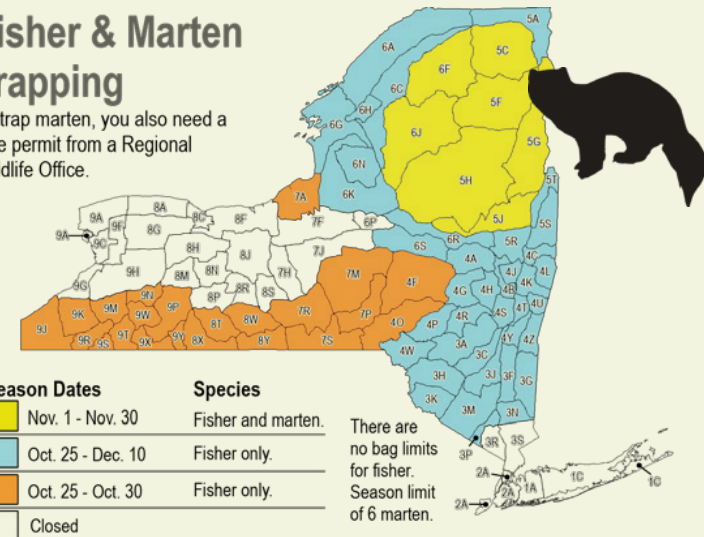


If you take a bobcat, otter, fisher, or marten, you must:

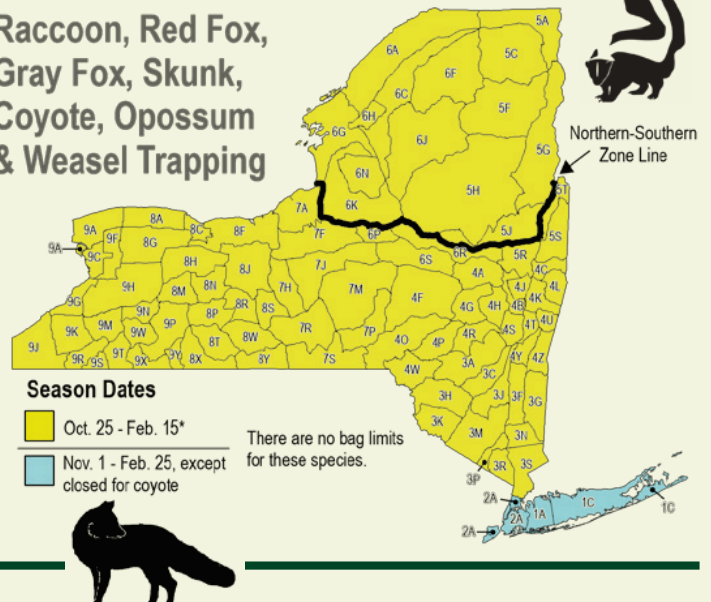
- Complete a furbearer possession tag, AND
- Get the pelt or unskinned animal sealed.

## Fisher & Marten Trapping

To trap marten, you also need a free permit from a Regional Wildlife Office.

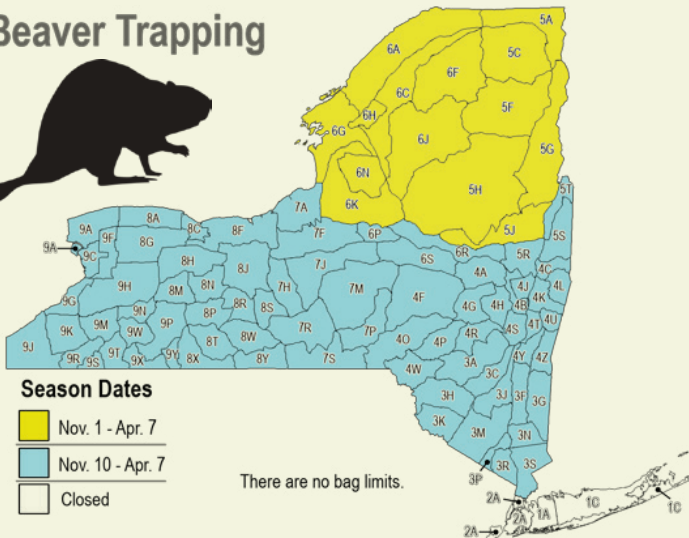


## Raccoon, Red Fox, Gray Fox, Skunk, Coyote, Opossum & Weasel Trapping

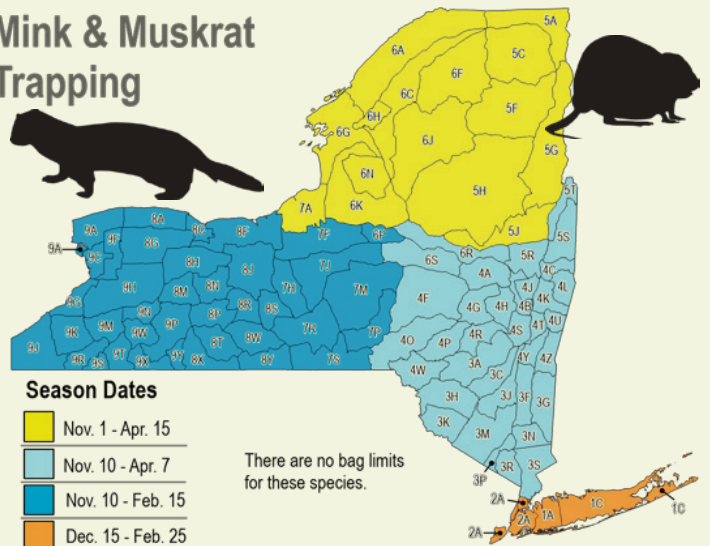


\*In the Northern Zone, body gripping traps set on land may not be set with bait or lure if the fisher and marten season is closed.

## Beaver Trapping



## Mink & Muskrat Trapping



# New York State License Fees

Annual Hunting License	Resident	Non-Resident
Ages 12-15	\$5	\$5
Ages 16-69	\$22	\$100
Ages 70+	\$5	\$100
Bowhunting Privilege	Resident	Non-Resident
Ages 12-15	\$4	\$4
Ages 16-69	\$15	\$30
Ages 70+	No fee	\$30
Muzzleloading Privilege	Resident	Non-Resident
Ages 14-69	\$15	\$30
Ages 70+	No fee	\$30
Turkey Permit	Resident	Non-Resident
Ages 12+	\$10	\$20

**Active military and some veterans may qualify for reduced fees.**



Lifetime License (Residents Only)		Cost
Hunting & Fishing (Ages 5-11, \$765 (Ages 12-69), \$65 (Ages 70+)	Hunting	\$535
	Bowhunting	\$235
	Trapping	\$395
	Muzzleloading	\$235
	Fresh Water Fishing	\$460 (Ages up to 69) \$65 (Ages 70+)



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