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ABSTRACT OF FUR LAWS, 1938-39

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The trapping, possession, and sale of fur animals and their pelts or other parts are controlled entirely by State laws, except that interstate shipments are subject to the scrutiny of Federal officers charged with the enforcement of the Lacey Act (35 Stat. 1137, as amended June 18, 1935).

The accompanying tabulation of the open seasons for 1938-39, in which opening and closing dates are given, and the summary of provisions of State and Provincial laws regarding possession, sale, shipment and export, have been prepared primarily as an aid to Federal officials in conducting investigations under and enforcing the provisions of the Lacey Act, and to answer inquiries of State game departments, individual trappers, and others for such information.

Every effort has been made to have the summaries substantially correct, but since the trapping seasons in many of the States and Provinces are subject to change by orders or regulations of State or Provincial game authorities, it is well for trappers and others concerned to familiarize themselves with the provisions of State and Provincial laws and regulations.

Information as to licenses in the Canadian Provinces and Newfoundland is omitted, as these licenses are subject to change by Order-in-Council. Those desiring this information may obtain it by communicating with the Game Commissioners or Departments at the Provincial capitals (see list, page 35).

THE FEDERAL LACEY ACT

An Act of Congress of May 25, 1900 (31 Stat.187) as amended, known as the Lacey Act, provides, among other things, that it shall be unlawful for any person, firm, corporation, or association to deliver or knowingly receive for shipment, transportation, or carriage, or to ship, transport, or carry by any means whatever, from any State, Territory, or the District of Columbia, to, into, or through any other State, Territory, or the District of Columbia, or to a foreign country, any wild animal * * * or the dead body or part thereof imported from a foreign country contrary to any law of the United States, or captured, killed, taken, purchased, sold, or possessed contrary to any such law, or captured killed, taken, shipped, transported, carried, purchased, sold, or possessed contrary to the law of any State, Territory, or the District of Columbia, or foreign country or State, Province or other subdivision thereof in which it was captured, killed, taken, purchased, sold, or possessed, or in which it was delivered or knowingly received for shipment, transportation, or carriage, or from which it was shipped, transported, or carried; * * *

The Act further provides that all packages or containers in which such animals or parts thereof are shipped, transported or carried shall be plainly and clearly marked or labeled on the outside thereof with the names and addresses of the shipper and the consignee and an accurate statement showing by number and kind the contents thereof.

Each evasion or violation of the Act subjects the offender, upon conviction, to a fine of not more than \$1,000, or imprisonment for not exceeding 6 months, or both.

An amendment of June 15, 1935 (49 Stat. 380) confers upon employees of the Department of Agriculture authorized to enforce the Act, power to arrest any person committing a violation of the Act in his presence or view, and also, under warrant, to search for and to seize any wild animals or the dead bodies or parts thereof shipped, transported, or carried in violation of the Act.

ALABAMA
(Trapping Only)

Open seasons

Otter, bear, raccoon, fox, opossum, weasel, skunk, civet,
mink, rabbit, (see exception) Dec. 1 - Jan.31.
Exception: In Lauderdale County No open season.
Beaver, muskrat : : No open season.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Possession of fur, skin, or pelt by trapper, fur
buyer or dealer longer than 20 days after close of season illegal. No restric-
tions of sale of skins legally taken and on which State tax has been paid.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on shipment or export of skins le-
gally taken and on which State tax has been paid.

LICENSES: Resident, \$2.50. Nonresident not permitted to trap. Fur
buyer or trader must procure license based on amount of gross sales of pre-
ceding year -- minimum \$25.

ALASKA

Open seasons

Beaver, in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 8 No open season.
In District 4 Apr.10 - May 10.
In District 5 Apr.25 - May 25.
In Districts 6 and 7, (see exception) Apr.20 - May 20.
Exception: In District 6, Tanana River drainage east
of Richardson Highway, and south and east of divide
between Goodpaster River drainage and Shaw Creek
drainage, and divide between Goodpaster River
drainage and upper Satcha River drainage No open season.
Muskrat, In District 1 No open season.
In District 2 (see exception) Apr. 1 - May 31.
Exception: Kenai Peninsula No open season.
In Districts 3 and 4 Mar.10 - May 10.
In District 5, south of Unalakleet River Apr. 1 - May 31.
North of Unalakleet River (see excep-
tion) Apr.1 - June 7.
Exception: Golovin Bay drainage No open season.
In District 6 Apr. 1 - May 31.
In District 7 Mar. 1 - May 31.
In District 8 Apr.10 - June 10
Mink, land otter, weasel (ermine), fox (red, cross, silver,
white, blue), lynx:
In District 1 No open season.
In District 2 (see exception) Dec. 1 - Feb.28.
Exception: Kenai Peninsula west of Alaska Railroad No open season.
In District 3 (see exception) Nov.15 - Jan.15.
Exception: Mink, land otter, weasel, on Unimak Island No open season.
In District 4 Dec. 1 - Feb.15.
In District 5 Nov.16 - Mar.10.
In District 6 Nov.16 - Feb.20.
In District 7 Nov. 6 - Feb.20.
In District 8 Nov.16 - Mar.31.

Wolf, coyote, wolverine, black bear (see exception), marmot, squirrel, throughout Territory, and polar bear in Districts 5 and 8 No close season.
Exception: Black bear in Districts 1 and 2 Sept.1 - June 20.
Marten, throughout Territory No open season.

BAG LIMITS: Beaver, 10 a season. Black bear, 2 a season.

TRAPPING METHODS: Land fur-bearing animals may not be taken by means of any set gun, shot gun, fire, jacklight, pit lamp, searchlight or other artificial light; trap or device known as "klips"; steel bear trap or trap having a greater spread of jaws than 9 inches; strychnine or other poison. Beaver traps must not be set within 25 feet of beaver house or den, and beaver or muskrat houses or dens must not be injured or destroyed. Foxes must not be trapped within 100 feet of den.

POSSESSION AND SALE: No restrictions on possession and sale of prime skins legally taken, except that beaver skins must be presented to the Commission or its authorized agent, with affidavit showing lawful taking, for sealing within 90 days. On or before October 31, 1938, all persons possessing marten skins must present them to a game warden or other authorized person for sealing. Skins of blue foxes taken from the wild must be tagged by U. S. Commissioner before being sold.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on shipment or export of skins legally taken, but no person engaged in fur farming, or in the fur trade as a dealer or agent, shall possess or transport furs without a license. Packages containing furs must be marked to show contents and names and addresses of consignor and consignee, and shipper must deliver to freight agent or express agent, or postmaster, at shipping point a statement showing contents of package and that no illegal or unsealed skins are contained therein. Blue fox skins (other than those raised on farms having a registered brand and branded with such brand), whether acquired in Territory or imported, must be tagged (fee \$1.50) by U. S. Commissioner. Shipment of unsealed skins of beavers and martens prohibited.

LICENSES: Resident, \$2. Fur farm, \$2. Nonresident, general hunting and trapping, \$50. Alien, special, \$100. Fur dealers: (a) Resident, or association or copartnership of residents, \$10 for each individual; (b) Nonresident, citizen of United States, or corporation, association, or copartnership formed of citizens of United States, any member of which is a nonresident of Territory, \$100; (c) Alien individual, corporation, association, or copartnership, any member of which is an alien, \$500. Resident agent of (a), (b), or (c), \$10; nonresident citizen agent of (a), (b), or (c), \$100; alien agent of (a), (b), or (c), \$500. No license issued to an agent whose principal has not procured appropriate license.

TRAPPING LICENSE NOT REQUIRED OF NATIVE INDIANS OR ESKIMOS.

ARIZONA

Open seasons

Beaver, otter No open season.
 Bear (hunting), (see exception) Oct.16 - Nov.15.
Exception: South of Gila River No open season.
 Muskrat, raccoon, opossum Nov. 1 - Mar. 1.
 Other fur and predatory animals No close season.

POSSESSION AND SALE: No restrictions on skins legally taken. Trappers required to report catch by January 10 and traps must be tagged to show license number.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken, but packages must be marked with name and address of consignor and consignee, and statement of contents. Parcel post shipments prohibited.

LICENSES: Resident, license required, but no charge. Nonresident, \$25. Aliens not permitted to trap.

ARKANSAS

Open seasons

Fur animals (see exception) Dec. 1 - Jan.31.
Exception: Beaver, bear, otter, fox No open season.
 Wolf, bobcat, coyote No close season.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Possession or sale of pelts taken in State prohibited except between December 1 and February 10. Fur dealer required to file report of pelts on hand February 10, and obtain permit to possess or sell them during close season.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions, except fur dealers must report shipments within or out of State.

LICENSES: Resident, \$1.50; nonresident, \$50. Fur dealer: Resident, \$1; nonresident, \$25.

CALIFORNIA

Open seasons

Fur animals (except beaver and sea otter, no open season). . . Nov.16 - Feb.28.
 Bear (except in Districts 4 and 4^s, no open season) Oct.15 - Dec.31.

BAG LIMIT: Bear, 2 a season.

POSSESSION AND SALE: No restrictions on skins legally taken.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken.

LICENSES: Citizens, \$1; aliens, \$2. Licensees must, before July 1, submit report of their catch, with names and addresses of persons to whom sold or shipped. Hunting license required for the taking of bear.

COLORADO

Open seasons

Beaver No open season.
Bear (hunting), (1 season) Oct. 9 - Oct.18.
Other fur animals No close season.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken.

LICENSES: Resident hunting license required for trapping. Communicate with Game and Fish Department, Denver, for information as to licenses and any changes in seasons.

NOTE: Beaver control work is handled by the Game and Fish Department, except when the Director deems it expedient to permit the taking of a specified number to protect property. Pelts taken under such permits must be delivered to the Game and Fish Department, when the permittee is paid \$1 for each pelt in full of all his expenses.

CONNECTICUT

Open seasons.

Muskrat Nov. 1 - Mar.31.
Raccoon (season opens at sunset). Oct.20 - Dec.31.
Fox, weasel No close season.
Skunk, otter, mink. Nov. 1 - Mar.15.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken.

LICENSES: Residents 16 years of age or over, trapping, \$3.35; trapping and hunting, \$5.35; trapping, hunting and fishing, \$7.35; residents under 16, \$1.35. No license issued to nonresidents. Fur dealers: Residents, \$5; agent of licensed resident, \$2; nonresidents, \$75.

DELAWARE

Open seasons

Beaver No open season.
Red fox Oct. 1 - Apr.30.
Mink, otter, muskrat** Dec. 1 - Mar.10.
Raccoon, opossum Nov. 1 - Jan.15.

** On embanked meadows in New Castle County muskrats may be taken until March 20. Unlawful to take muskrats during time of flood or freshet, or when they are driven from their dens or homes by flood or freshet; unlawful to take them by the method known as "nailing" or by the use of diving or box traps.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Unlawful to sell or export red fox or red fox hide. No other restrictions on skins lawfully taken.

LICENSES: Resident, hunting and trapping, \$1.25; nonresident, hunting and trapping, \$15.50; special 5-day license, \$5.50. Fur dealer, \$5 -- required for purchasing all pelts except muskrat.

FLORIDA.

Open seasons

Beaver, muskrat, mink, raccoon, otter Dec. 1 - Mar. 1.
 Wildcat, weasel, panther, opossum, fox, bear, civet cat, bobcat,
 skunk, (see exception) No close season.
Exception: In Volusia County (except no open season on bear) Nov.20 - Dec.31.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Skins legally taken may be possessed, bought and sold during the open season and 30 days thereafter, except fur dealers may handle manufactured furs at any time.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Skins legally taken may be shipped and exported during open season and 30 days thereafter. Packages must show name and license number of trapper.

LICENSES: Resident (Statewide) \$25.50; county, \$3.25; county other than county of residence, \$10.50. Not required of resident Confederate veterans or other residents 65 years of age or over. Nonresident (Statewide) \$100.50; county, \$25.50. Fur dealer: Resident, \$100 for each agent; nonresident, \$500 and \$100 for each resident or travelling agent.

GEORGIA

Open seasons

Beaver No open season.
 Mink, otter, muskrat, raccoon, opossum, skunk, bobcat, civet
 cat, fox, (trapping) Nov.20 - Feb.28.

NOTE: Bobcats and skunks may be killed at any time.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Prohibited during close season. Dealers must make such reports as may be required by Division of Wildlife, Department of Natural Resources.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken.

LICENSES: Resident, \$3; nonresident, \$25. Fur dealer: Resident, \$10 and \$5 for each agent; nonresident, \$200 and \$5 for each resident or travelling agent.

IDAHO

Open seasons

Beaver (see exception)	No open season.
<u>Exception:</u> In Benewah County beavers may be taken at any time on enclosed and cultivated lands by owner or occupant.	
Marten, fisher, otter, mink, raccoon, fox	Nov. 1 - Mar.31.
Muskrat (see exception)	Dec. 1 - Mar.31.
<u>Exception:</u> In Bear Lake and Caribou Counties and Gray's Lake in Bonneville County	
	Apr. 1 - May 10.
Other fur and predatory animals	No close season.

NOTE: State game warden may permit taking of beavers and muskrats in close season when they are damaging irrigation ditches, canals, crops, etc., but pelts must be turned over to warden for sale.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Skins legally taken may be possessed and sold at any time. Unlawful to possess without permit fur animals or hides on which there is no open season.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restriction on skins legally taken.

LICENSES: Resident, \$5. Nonresident, \$25. Alien, \$50. Fur buyer, \$3.

ILLINOIS

Open seasons

Beaver, otter, marten	No open season.
Muskrat:	
In Northern Zone	Nov.15 - Jan.31.**
In Central and Southern Zones	Dec. 1 - Jan.31.
Raccoon, skunk, opossum, fox, mink:	
In Northern Zone (see exception)	Nov.15 - Jan.31.
<u>Exception:</u> Fox	No close season.
In Central and Southern Zones (see exception)	Nov.15 - Jan.15.
<u>Exception:</u> Fox in Central Zone	No close season.
Other fur animals	No close season.

NOTE: Northern Zone comprises Henderson, Warren, Knox, Peoria, Woodward, Livingston, and Kankakee Counties and all counties north thereof. Southern Zone comprises Madison, Bond, Fayette, Effingham, Jasper and Crawford Counties and all counties south thereof. Central Zone comprises rest of State.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Possession of green hides permitted during open season and 10 days thereafter. Every person taking fur-bearing animals must make sworn report to Department of Conservation of all hides of fur animals taken, sold, shipped or dealt in during November to February, not later than 5th day of month succeeding the month for which report is made.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken.

LICENSES: For each 25 traps -- Resident, \$2. Nonresident, \$10. Fur buyer: Resident, wholesaler, \$50; retailer, \$10; vendor, \$50. Nonresident, \$50.

INDIANA

Open seasons

Beaver No open season.
 Raccoon, opossum, skunk, mink, muskrat Nov.15 - Jan.15.
 Red fox - In Northern Zone ** No close season.
 In Southern Zone *^s Nov.15 - Jan.15.
 Gray fox No close season.

****NOTE:** Northern Zone comprises Warren, Tipton, Clinton, Tipton, Grant, Blackford and Jay Counties and all counties north thereof, and in addition Clark and Montgomery Counties. Southern Zone includes all other counties.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Fresh skins legally taken may be possessed and disposed of for 5 days after close of season. No other restrictions on skins legally taken.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken, except shipments must be labeled to show contents and license must be exhibited to carrier.

LICENSES: Resident, \$1.50. Nonresident, \$15.50. Fur buyer: Resident, \$10. Nonresident, \$100.

IOWA

Open seasons

Beaver, otter No open season.
 Muskrat, mink, skunk, civet cat, badger, raccoon, opossum,
 (see exception) Nov.10 - Jan.10.
Exception: Skunk in Guthrie, Lucas, and Wayne Counties. No open season.
 Fox, weasel, wolf, coyote No close season.

NOTE: Seasons subject to change by Conservation Commission when necessary to maintain biological balances.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Skins of fur animals lawfully taken may be possessed and sold during open season and for 10 days thereafter, or for a longer period under permit of the Conservation Department. Licensed dealer may possess at any time hides lawfully acquired. Special permit required for sale of pelts to dealers outside of State. Green hides in process of manufacture may be possessed at any time. Dealers or buyers must, within 15 days after close of season file with Conservation Department sworn inventory showing number and kind of skins purchased.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: See above. Skins of protected fur animals legally taken and tagged may be exported under permit during open season and first 10 days of close season.

LICENSES: Resident, 15 traps or less, \$1; more than 15, \$10. Nonresident or alien, \$25. Fur dealers and agents must be licensed--communicate with Conservation Department for information as to fees.

KANSAS

Open seasons

Skunk, mink, opossum, muskrat, raccoon, civet cat, fox Dec. 1 - Jan.31.
Beaver, otter, badger, (see note) No open season.

NOTE: State game warden is authorized, after investigation, to cause to be taken, under his supervision, as many beavers as he deems necessary for protection of property.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Skins legally taken may be possessed during first 10 days of close season. No other restrictions on possession and sale of legally-taken skins.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Skins may not be shipped except during open season and 10 days thereafter, but licensed dealers may make shipments out of season under permit.

LICENSES: Resident, \$1. Nonresident not permitted to trap. Fur dealer: Resident, \$10. Nonresident, \$25.

KENTUCKY

Open seasons

Beaver, otter No open season.
Muskrat, mink, raccoon, red fox, opossum, skunk Nov.15 - Dec.31.
Other fur animals No close season.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken. Possession of green hides during close season prima facie evidence of unlawful taking, but skins of raccoon, opossum, skunk, muskrat and mink may be possessed until February 15.

LICENSES: Resident, \$1. Nonresident, \$10.50. Fur buyer: Resident, \$2. Nonresident, \$75.

LOUISIANA

Open seasons

Bear (game animal) Nov. 1 - Jan. 1.
Muskrat, mink, otter, raccoon, skunk, civet, opossum, fox,
weasel Nov.20 - Feb. 1.
Alligator (no close season in coast parishes and in parishes
of Orleans, St.Charles, St.John, and St.James) Dec. 1 - Feb.28.
Beaver No open season.
Wolf, panther, wildcat No close season.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Skins legally taken and possessed may be sold during open season by licensed trapper and may be bought and sold by licensed dealer, who may possess such skins during close season provided the records and reports required by law have been kept and submitted, but no licensee shall possess green hides or furs between March 1 and November 30.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Tax (letter 25¢; mink, raccoon, 5¢; alligator 1/4 to 3¢; all other pelts 1¢ each) must be paid on all pelts before being exported. All shipments within or without the State must bear tags of Conservation Department. No furs or alligator skins may be exported except by the holder of a dealer's license or by the trapper shipping his own catch. Dealer must make sworn statement of shipments out of State.

LICENSES: Resident, \$2. Nonresident, \$200, and licensee is required to deposit \$300 with Conservation Department to insure payment of fur tax. Fur dealer: Resident, \$150. Nonresident, \$300. Fur buyer: Resident, \$25. Nonresident, \$100.

MAINE

Open seasons

Beaver, fisher, sable	No open season.**
Bear (game animal)	Oct.1 - Nov.30.
Muskrat (see exceptions) **	(Nov.1 - Nov.30 (Apr.1 - Apr.30.
<u>Exceptions</u> : In Androscoggin, Cumberland, Kennebec, Knox, Lincoln, Sagadahoc, Waldo, and York Counties Mar.20 - Apr.20.	
In Aroostook County	(Nov. 1 - Nov.30 (Apr.15 - May 15.
In Washington County	Apr. 1 - Apr.30.
Mink	Nov. 1 - Nov.30.
Fox, raccoon, skunk, otter, weasel	Oct.16 - Feb.15.*
Bobcat, Canada lynx (loup cervier), porcupine	No close season.

**NOTE: Commissioner may open season on beaver and muskrat polluting water supply and on beaver doing actual damage to property. Special laws apply to muskrats in certain localities. Skunk and raccoon may be hunted at night with dog and pistol not larger than .22 cal., Oct.15-Dec.15.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken, except beaver skins must bear seal of Commissioner.

LICENSES: Resident: Statewide, \$10; in organized territory, \$5. Nonresident and alien, \$50. Special beaver license required when season is opened, \$10. Fur dealer: Resident, \$25.

MARYLAND

Open seasons

Beaver, otter	No open season.
Muskrat	Jan. 1 - Mar.15.
Raccoon, opossum **	Nov. 1 - Jan.31.
Rabbit (see exception), squirrel	Nov.16 - Dec.31.
<u>Exception</u> : Rabbit in Allegany and Garrett Counties	Nov. 1 - Nov.30.

** NOTE: Use of steel traps prohibited in the taking of raccoon and opossum, and these animals may not be taken from sunrise to sunset.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Possession of green hides of muskrat prohibited except from Jan. 1 to Mar. 25. Cured muskrat skins may be possessed at any time for business purposes. No other restrictions on skins legally taken.

LICENSES: Resident - State, \$5; county \$1. Nonresident, \$15. Nonresident owning land in State assessed at \$500 or more pays \$1 for license for the county in which land is located.

MASSACHUSETTS

Open seasons

Beaver	No open season.
Mink, otter, muskrat	Nov. 1 - Mar. 1.
Raccoon (trapping) **	Nov. 1 - Jan. 1.
Chipmunks, red squirrel, weasel, porcupine, fox, skunk, woodchuck	Unprotected.

**NOTE: Raccoon may be hunted with gun and dog Oct. 1-Jan. 1.

BAG LIMIT: Raccoon, 20 a season.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken, except that trappers must report to the Department of Conservation the number of animals taken.

LICENSES: Resident, \$5.25 (no charge to resident 70 years of age and over). Nonresident, \$15.25. Fur dealer: For information as to licenses communicate with Division of Fish and Game, Department of Conservation, 20 Somerset Street, Boston.

MICHIGAN

Open seasons

Beaver, otter, --	Seasons (if any) to be announced by Dept. of Conservation.
Muskrat, mink:	
In Upper Peninsula	Nov. 1 - Nov. 30.**
In Lower Peninsula north of Township 16 and west of Saginaw Bay	Nov. 15 - Dec. 15.
In rest of Lower Peninsula	Dec. 1 - Dec. 31.
Opossum, badger	Nov. 1 - Jan. 31.
Raccoon (trapping):	
In Upper Peninsula	No open season.**
In Lower Peninsula north of Township 16 and west of Saginaw Bay	Nov. 15 - Dec. 15.**
In rest of Lower Peninsula	Dec. 1 - Dec. 15.**
Fisher, marten	No open season.
Other fur and predatory animals	No close season.
Bear (hunting)	Nov. 15 - Nov. 30.**

**NOTE: Mink may be hunted Nov. 1-Jan. 31, but may be trapped only during the Muskrat season.

Raccoon may be hunted in Lower Peninsula Nov. 1-Dec. 15, but may not be hunted or trapped by nonresidents.

Bear may be hunted with bow and arrow in Iosco and Newago Counties Nov. 1-Nov. 15.

BAG LIMIT: Beaver, 8 a season.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Possession in close season prohibited, but bear may be possessed during first 60 days of close season. Skins of fur animals in possession 5 days after close of season must be reported to Conservation Department. Persons selling skins of fur animals must report name and address of purchaser and number and kind of skins sold.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Export of bear prohibited except by nonresident licensee, but skins of bears may be exported under permit. Dealers must have permit to export furs. Packages must be labelled with name and address of consignor and consignee, and statement of contents.

LICENSES: Resident (except beaver and otter), 20 traps, \$1; each additional trap, 10¢. Licensee must report to Conservation Commission not later than February 15 the number and kind of animals taken. Special beaver license \$2, and \$1 additional for seal to be attached to each skin. Nonresidents not permitted to trap.

MINNESOTA

Open seasons

Bear: In even years	Nov.15 - Nov.25.
In odd years	Apr.15 - May 15.
Skunk	Oct.20 - May 1.
Raccoon	Nov. 1 - Dec. 1.
Mink	Nov. 1 - Feb.15.
Beaver, otter, fisher, marten	No open season.
Muskrat	SEE NOTE
Other fur animals	No close season.

NOTE: Season on muskrat to be fixed by Department of Conservation, but not to exceed 30 days between March 1 and April 30.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Skins of beaver legally taken, when sealed or tagged (fee \$2.50 for each skin), and skins of other fur animals legally taken, if tagged within 5 days after close of season, may be possessed, bought, or sold at any time. Possession of untagged skins at other times during close season prohibited.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Tagged skins of beavers and other fur animals legally taken and possessed may be transported at any time, but packages must have attached a coupon tag bearing signature, address, and license number of shipper, with statement of number and kind of skins contained therein.

LICENSES: Resident, \$1. Nonresident not permitted to trap. Fur buyer: Resident, wholesale buyer, \$1; local buyer, \$1. Nonresident, local or travelling buyer, \$25.

MISSISSIPPI

Open seasons

Mink, muskrat, raccoon, opossum, skunk, weasel, (trapping) . . .Dec. 1 - Jan.31.
Bear, beaver, otter No open season.
Wildcat No close season.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Skins of animals legally taken may be possessed during open season and first 10 days of close season, but may be sold only during the open season.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Prohibited except during open season.

LICENSES: Resident, \$5 (fee 25¢). Nonresident, \$200 (fee \$1). Fur dealers: In towns of 5,000 population or more, \$100; less than 5,000 population, \$25. Transients, \$50 for each county.

MISSOURI

Open seasons

Beaver No open season.
Wolf, coyote, wildcat No close season.
Other fur animals Nov.15 - Jan.15.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Possession and sale of green pelts during close season prohibited, but dry pelts may be possessed and sold during open season and 10 days thereafter.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Shipper must show hunter's or dealer's license to transportation company or carrier. Undried or green pelts may be shipped only during open season, but pelts of wolves, coyotes and wildcats may be shipped at any time and in any condition. Dried pelts may be shipped during open season and 10 days thereafter. Shipments must be marked with name and address of shipper, his license number, date of shipment, and nature of contents. Shipments out of State may be made by holders of hunting licenses if marked as above.

LICENSES: Resident (Statewide) \$2.50; county, \$1. Nonresident, \$10. Fur dealer, \$5.

MONTANA

Open seasons

Beaver, otter, raccoon, fisher, marten No open season.**
Muskrat, mink, fox Dec. 1 - Apr.15.
Wolf, coyote, wolverine, mountain lion, lynx, weasel,
skunk, civet cat, black-footed ferret, bobcat No close season.

**NOTE: Under special permit (fee \$10) beavers damaging property may be trapped by property holders Dec. 1 - May 1.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Possession and sale of beaver skins, whether taken within or coming from without the State, prohibited, except that such skins legally taken and tagged may be sold and shipped within the State, or exported under a shipping permit. Beaver skins from without the State must be reported within 10 days after arrival, with affidavit showing number, date of receipt, name and address of person from whom received, tag numbers, and method of transportation. They may then be bought or sold, or exported under shipper's permit (fee 50¢).

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No other restrictions than as above stated on skins legally taken, except permit required for shipment out of State, and packages must be marked to show contents. Beaver pelts must be tagged (fee 50¢).

LICENSES: Resident, \$1.10 (must also hold big game license of Class AA). Resident on own or leased land, \$1. Nonresident not permitted to trap. Fur dealer: Resident, \$1. Nonresident, \$25; agent, \$10.

NEBRASKA

Open seasons

Beaver, otter, marten	No open season.
Muskrat:	
In East Zone	Dec. 1 - Feb. 1.**
In West Zone	Jan. 1 - Mar. 1.**
Raccoon, opossum, badger	Nov. 1 - Feb. 1.
Fox, mink	Jan. 1 - Dec. 31.

**NOTE: East Zone comprises Knox, Antelope, Boone, Valley, Sherman, Buffalo, Phelps, and Harlan Counties, and all counties east thereof. West Zone comprises rest of State.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Possession and sale of green hides prohibited except during open season and 10 days thereafter. Permit may be procured for possession for a longer period. Beaver skins from without State, and skins of beavers taken in State under permit for protection of property, upon being inspected and stamped by State Warden, may be possessed and sold at any time. No other restrictions on skins legally taken.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Green hides may be transported during open season and 10 days thereafter if package is labelled in two places with name of consignor, his license number, and number and kinds of skins. No other restrictions on shipment of skins lawfully taken.

LICENSES: Resident, \$2.10. Nonresident or alien, for 1,000 or less fur animals, \$100.10; for each additional 100 or part of 100, \$5.10. Fur dealer: Resident, \$10. Nonresident, \$25.

NEVADA

Open seasons

Beaver	No open season.
Muskrat, raccoon, marten, fisher, fox (silver, red)	Nov.15 - Mar.15.
Wildcat, bobcat, lynx, wolf, coyote, wolverine, weasel, otter, badger, mink, skunk	No close season.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Unless lawful taking can be shown, it is unlawful to possess beaver or other skins. No other restrictions on skins lawfully taken.

LICENSES: Hunting license required - Resident, \$2.50. Nonresident and declarant alien, \$10. Alien, \$25. Consult Fish and Game Commission, Reno, for information as to fur dealer's license.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Open seasons

Beaver, fisher, marten, sable	No open season.
Otter, mink, skunk, muskrat, (see exception)	Nov. 1 - Feb. 1.
<u>Exception:</u> In Coos and Grafton Counties	Oct.20 - Feb. 1.
Fox	Nov. 1 - Mar. 1.**
Raccoon (trapping)	Nov. 1 - Dec. 1.**
Other fur animals	No close season.

**NOTE: Foxes may be hunted with dog and gun Sept. 1 - Mar. 1, and raccoons Oct. 1 - Dec. 1, except in Grafton County, Oct.15 - Dec. 1.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Possession of fur animals permitted only during open season, but skins legally taken may be bought and sold at any time.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken.

LICENSES: Resident, \$ 5.15. Nonresident, \$50.15. Fur buyers: Resident, \$35.15 (State); \$5.15 (county). Nonresident, \$75.15.

NEW JERSEY

Open seasons

Skunk, mink, muskrat, otter	Nov.15 - Mar.15.
Raccoon (may not be hunted during open season for deer)	Nov. 1 - Dec.31.
Beaver	No open season.
Other fur animals	No close season.

NOTE: Foxes may be hunted with firearms in daylight from Nov.10 to Apr.30, except during open season for deer. Persons killing foxes must report same within 48 hours to game warden of county in which killed, or to the Board of Game Commissioners at Trenton.

All steel traps must be set under water except those which are enclosed in the center of a tunnel or other covered device not more than 6 inches in diameter and not more than 6 feet long, but steel traps used for the purpose of catching muskrats may be used without being placed in such a tunnel. No steel trap larger than No. 1 may be used except under water, and no tooth-jawed traps may be used. No steel traps may be set without permission of landowner or lessee.

BAG LIMIT: Raccoon, 15 a season.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Possession of raccoon skins permitted during open season and 10 days thereafter. Other skins legally taken may be possessed and sold at any time.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Unlawful to remove from the State any protected animals except deer. There are no restrictions, however, on the shipment or export of the skins of fur animals legally taken.

LICENSES: Regular hunting license required for trapping. Resident, \$2. Nonresident, \$10.

NEW MEXICO

Open seasons

Beaver	No open season.
Bear (game animal - may not be trapped)** :	
East of the Rio Grande	Nov. 1 - Nov. 15.
West of the Rio Grande	(Oct. 1 - Oct. 26 Nov. 15 - Dec. 10.
Other fur animals	No close season.

**NOTE: Dogs may not be used on bear during the deer season, and west of the Rio Grande trained dogs only may be used.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken, except that permit (fee \$1.25) is required for export of bear. Permits may be issued for the capture of beaver interfering with the operation of canals, ditches or dams, or that cause or threaten the destruction of private property, but the skins of beavers so taken must be turned over to the State for sale.

LICENSES: For information as to trapping licenses, communicate with State Game Warden, Santa Fe.

NEW YORK

Open seasons

Bear (game animal), (see exception)	Oct.15 - Nov.15.
<u>Exception:</u> In Clinton, Delaware, Essex, Franklin, Greene, and Ulster Counties	
	Oct.15 - Dec.31.
Mink	Nov.10 - Mar.15.
Skunk	Nov.10 - Feb.10.**
Raccoon	Nov. 1 - Jan.20.
Muskrat (see exception)	Jan. 1 - Mar.20.**
<u>Exception:</u> East of tracks of New York Central Railroad from Oswego to Syracuse, and north of said tracks from Syracuse to Albany, and north of the Boston & Albany Railroad from Albany to the Massachusetts line	
	Jan. 1 - Apr.20.
Beaver, fisher, otter, marten or sable	No open season.**
Fox, weasel	No close season.

****NOTE:** Muskrats may be taken in any manner except by shooting, or by the use of chemicals, gas, poison, or by so-called box, wire, or cage traps; and in the counties bordering on Lake Champlain they may be taken during the open season with a firearm not larger than .22 cal. Disturbing dens or houses, or setting traps within 5 feet of dens or houses prohibited.

Wild animals may not be taken by the use of leg-gripping traps having teeth in jaws, or a greater spread of jaws than 6 inches. Traps must not be set in such manner than an animal when caught will be suspended alive.

Department of Conservation has power to permit the taking of beavers from Mar. 1 to Mar.31, when they have become so numerous that it is advisable to reduce their numbers.

Skunks injuring property may be taken at any time, but skins of animals so taken must not be possessed or trafficked in.

Traps must be stamped with operator's name and must be visited once in 24 hours.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken.

LICENSES: Resident, \$2.25. Nonresident (or alien under special license of Conservation Department) \$10.50. Consult Division of Fish and Game, Department of Conservation at Albany for information as to fur dealers license.

NORTH CAROLINA

Open seasons

Bear (game animal) (see exception)	Oct. 1 - Jan. 1.
<u>Exception:</u> In Alleghany, Wilkes, Caldwell, Furke, Rutherford, and all counties west thereof	
Beaver, otter	Oct.20 - Jan. 1. No open season.
Muskrat, mink, raccoon, opossum, (see exception)	Nov. 1 - Feb.15.**
<u>Exception:</u> In Currituck and Dare Counties	
Skunk, wildcat, weasel	Dec. 1 - Mar. 1. No close season.
Fox (game animal) -- Communicate with Dept. of Conservation and Development, Raleigh, for information as to county regulations.	

****NOTE:** The use of steel traps is prohibited in Bladen, Columbus, Craven, Greene, Graham, Haywood, Hoke, Pender, Robeson, Sampson and Wilson counties (except on own land for protection of property); and in all counties west of Surry, Wilkes, Alexander, Catawba and Cleveland steel traps may be set only in the water and along streams in cultivated portions of said counties for the taking of muskrat and mink. Raccoon and opossum may be taken with gun or dog Oct.15-Feb.15.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken.

LICENSES: Resident - State, \$3.25; county, \$2.25. Nonresident, \$25.25. Fur dealer: Resident, State, \$25; fur dealers employees license, \$25; county, \$10; county permit to buy furs at established place of business in resident county, \$10. Nonresident, \$100; nonresident permit to buy furs from Statewide licensed dealer, \$1.

NORTH DAKOTA

Open seasons

Beaver, muskrat, raccoon, badger	No open season.**
Mink, weasel	Nov.15 - Feb.15.
Skunk	Nov. 1 - Feb.28.
Other fur animals	No close season.

****NOTE:** If beaver become so numerous that a limited number may be taken without seriously depleting the species, the Commissioner may issue permit to landowner to take beaver on his premises (fee \$3).

POSSESSION AND SALE: Skins legally taken may be possessed and sold only during open season. Permit required for possession or sale during close season.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken, except beaver, on which the licensee must, within 10 days, report the number taken and procure a tag (fee 25¢) for each pelt taken. Tagged beavers or pelts may be possessed, bought, sold, or transported at any time under regulations.

LICENSES: Resident, \$1. Nonresident, \$25. Fur dealer: Resident, \$5 for each place of business; resident travelling agent or buyer, \$15. Nonresident, \$25.

OHIO

Open seasons

Muskrat, mink:

In Lake Erie Trapping District **	Dec.15 - Mar.15.
In rest of State	Nov.15 - Jan.15.
Fox (red and gray) (see exception)	No close season.
<u>Exception: Red fox in Hamilton, Clermont, Brown, Fairfield,</u>	
Licking, Highland, Adams, Scioto, Pike, Ross, Lawrence,	
Jackson, Vinton, Hocking, Holmes, Coshocton, Muskingum,	
Perry, Morgan, Athens, Meigs, Gallia, Tuscarawas, Guernsey,	
Noble, Washington, Harrison, Belmont, and Monroe Counties,	
(season opens at noon)	Nov.15 - Feb. 1.
<u>Foxes</u> , in Shawnee Forest, Scioto Trail Forest, and	
Roosevelt Hunting Preserve (opens at noon)	Nov.15 - Jan. 1.
Raccoon, opossum, skunk	Nov.15 - Jan.15.**

****NOTE:** Lake Erie Trapping District comprises the waters of Lake Erie, and the lands, waters and marshes located between Lake Erie and a line beginning at the Ohio-Michigan boundary, now known as Ohio State Route 263; thence following that route to its junction with Federal Highway 20; thence following Highway 20 through Perrysburg to Bellevue at the junction of Highway 20 with State Route 59; thence following Route 59 through Milan to the junction of Route 59 with U. S. Route 20 in the City of Elyria; thence following U. S. Route 20, through Cleveland, Painesville and Ashtabula to the Ohio-Pennsylvania line.

Raccoon may be taken only from 6 p.m., to 6 a.m., and a person or party may not take more than 2 during that time, and not more than 2 may be possessed by a person or party in the field.

Climbers or other tree-climbing devices may not be used in taking raccoons or other fur animals.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Skins legally taken may be possessed, sold, shipped and transported at any time. Packages must be marked to show contents, initial point of billing, name and address of consignor and consignee.

LICENSES: Resident, \$1.25. Nonresident, \$15.25.

OKLAHOMA

Open seasons

Beaver, otter, marten No open season.
Other fur animals Dec. 1 - Jan.31.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Unlawful to possess or sell pelts except during the open season and 10 days thereafter. Pelts of foxes (game animals) legally taken must be delivered to clerk of school district in which taken, and may be sold by him, the proceeds to go to the general fund of the district.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken, except shipment must be made during open season or 10 days thereafter.

LICENSES: Resident, \$1.25. Nonresident, \$250. Fur dealer: Resident, \$15. Nonresident, \$50.

OREGON

Open seasons

Beaver, marten, fisher, civet cat, ringtail cat No open season.
Mink, otter, raccoon, muskrat Nov.15 - Feb.15.
Bear, badger, skunk, weasel, (see exception) No close season.
Exception: Bear in Jackson, Josephine and Klamath Counties . . Nov. 1 - Nov.30.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Fur animals or hides legally taken within or out of the State may be possessed and sold at any time, but the burden of proving legal taking is on the trapper. Skins legally taken may be shipped at any time.

LICENSES: Resident, \$3. Nonresident, \$15. Fur dealer, \$10.

PENNSYLVANIA

Open seasons

Beaver, in Centre, Clearfield, Jefferson, Monroe, Pike, Susquehanna, and Wayne Counties only Feb.15 - Feb.28.
Bear (hunting), (see exception) Nov.14 - Nov.19.
Exception: In Bedford and Blair Counties No open season.
Muskrat Dec. 1 - Jan.31.
Mink, opossum, skunk Nov.15 - Jan.31.
Raccoon (trapping) (see exception) Dec. 1 - Jan.31.
Exception: In Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Cambria, Fayette, Greene, Indiana, Lawrence, Mercer, Somerset, Washington, and Westmoreland Counties No open season.
Otter (see exception) No open season.
Exception: In Monroe, Pike, Susquehanna, and Wayne Counties.. Nov.15 - Jan.31.

BAG LIMIT: Beaver, otter, 3 each a season. Raccoon, 10 a season.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Skins of raccoons and bears taken during open season may be sold. Raw furs may be possessed during open season and 10 days thereafter. Untanned skins of raccoons and bears may be possessed for 30 days after close of season.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Cured skins of raccoons and bears legally taken may be shipped at any time. Packages containing any furs must be marked to show contents, name and address of owner, and county in which taken. Raw furs shipped out of State must be tagged (fee 25¢ each).

LICENSES: Resident, \$2. Nonresident or alien, \$15. Fur dealer: Resident, \$10. Nonresident, \$50.

RHODE ISLAND

Open seasons

Skunk	Nov. 1 - Mar.15.**
Raccoon	Oct. 1 - Feb. 1.**
Muskrat, mink, otter, (see exception)	Nov. 1 - Feb. 1.**
<u>Exception</u> : Muskrat in Bristol and Newport Counties	Dec. 1 - Mar. 1.
Other fur animals	No close season.

**NOTE: Landowner may kill muskrat, raccoon, skunk, and mink on own land at any time.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken.

LICENSES: Resident, \$2. Nonresident, \$10. Alien, \$15.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Open seasons

Mink, muskrat, otter, skunk, and other fur animals (trapping)	Nov.24 - Mar. 1.
Raccoon, opossum, (hunting) (see exceptions)	Sept.1 - Mar. 1.
<u>Exceptions</u> : In Horry County	Nov. 1 - Feb. 1.
In Pickens, Oconee, and Greenville Counties	Oct. 1 - Jan.31.
In Marion County	Nov.24 - Mar. 1.
Bear	No close season.
Fox (hunting only - may not be trapped) (see exceptions)	Sept.15 - Feb.15.
<u>Exceptions</u> : In Anderson and Chester Counties	Sept.15 - Mar. 1.
In Chesterfield County, and part of Kershaw County	Sept. 1 - Feb.15.
In Bamberg, Barnwell, Colleton, Darlington, Dorchester, Florence, Greenville, Oconee, Pickens, and Spartanburg Counties	No close season.

NOTE: Use of steel traps prohibited except for protection of poultry or property.

POSSESSION AND SALE: No restrictions on skins legally taken.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Skins of fur animals must be tagged by State warden or deputy before being shipped or transported. Tag fees: Otter, red fox, \$1; raccoon, gray fox, mink, 15¢ each; skunk, 10¢; muskrat, opossum, 5¢. Packages for shipment must bear certificate of State warden or deputy that tag has been attached to each pelt. Shippers must make monthly report to county game warden of skins shipped or transported. Shipments must be labelled to show consignor and consignee and number and kind of skins. No other restrictions on skins legally taken.

LICENSES: Resident, \$1.10. Nonresident, \$15.25 (State); \$3.10 (county).

SOUTH DAKOTA

Open seasons

BeaverNo open season.**
Muskrat, in Lincoln, Union, Clay, Yankton, Hutchinson, Turner, Butte, Lawrence, Meade, Pennington, Custer, Fall River, Shannon, Bennett, and Todd Counties only	Dec. 1 - Mar.31.
Raccoon	Oct. 1 - Mar.31.
Skunk	Nov. 1 - Feb.28.
Opossum, in Union County only	Oct. 1 - Mar.31.

NOTE: Seasons open and close at noon.

** Director of Game and Fish may authorize trapping of beaver when he deems it necessary.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Beaver skins must bear metal tag (fee 50¢) from Director of Game and Fish, and such skins lawfully possessed may be sold and shipped under permit. Raw furs may be possessed and sold during open season and 10 days thereafter.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: See "Possession and Sale". Permit from Director of Game and Fish required for shipping beaver skins. Unlawful to ship raw furs during close season, whether coming from within or without the State.

LICENSES: Resident, \$2. Nonresident not permitted to trap. Fur dealer: Resident, \$5. Nonresident, \$50. Local buyer: For resident, \$1; for nonresident, \$5.

TENNESSEE

Open seasons

Squirrel	June 1 - Jan. 1.
Raccoon, muskrat, mink, skunk, opossum, otter, weasel, gray fox	Nov. 1 - Feb. 1.
Red fox	No open season.
Other fur and predatory animals	No close season.

NOTE: Private laws provide local seasons and restrictions in some counties, information concerning which may be obtained from the Director of Game & Fish, Nashville.

POSSESSION AND SALE: No restrictions on skins lawfully taken, except that green or untanned hides or pelts must be stamped to show payment of tax: Opossum, weasel, 3¢ each; muskrat, skunk, 5¢ each; raccoon, gray fox, 10¢ each; mink, 15¢; otter, red fox, 25¢.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Prohibited, except that the owner or person killing or capturing fur animals, who has a hunting license, may carry out in personal possession animals or skins he has lawfully taken.

LICENSES: Resident, \$2. Nonresident, \$15.

TEXAS

Open seasons

Beaver, otter, (see exception) (see note)	No open season.
<u>Exception:</u> Beaver west of Pecos River, and in Val Verde County	Jan. 1 - Jan.31.
Muskrat (see exception)	Nov.15 - Mar.15.
<u>Exception:</u> In Cottle County	Nov.15 - Apr. 1.
Badger, civet cat, skunk, fox, mink, opossum, raccoon, ring-tailed cat, (see exception)	Dec. 1 - Jan.31.
<u>Exception:</u> In Cottle County	Dec. 1 - Feb.15.
Fox, in Angelina, Bastrop, Bosque, Bowie, Brazos, Burleson, Caldwell, Camp, Cherokee, Cooke, Delta, Denton, Erath, Falls, Fennin, Franklin, Freestone, Grayson, Grimes, Hardin, Harrison, Henderson, Hill, Hood, Hopkins, Houston, Hunt, Jasper, Jefferson, Johnson, Kaufman, Lee, Leon, Liberty, Limestone, Milam, Madison, Morris, McLennan, Nacogdoches, Navarro, Newton, Palo Pinto, Panola, Polk, Rains, Robertson, Rusk, San Jacinto, Shelby, Smith, Titus, Trinity, Tyler, Upshur, VanZant, Walker, Washington, Williamson and Wood Counties	No open season.
Raccoon, opossum, mink, in Shelby County	Dec. 1 - Feb. 1.
Raccoon, mink, in Guadalupe and Washington Counties.	No open season.
All fur animals, in Wood County	No open season.
Wolf, coyote, cougar, wildcat, bobcat, weasel, ocelot, mountain and Mexican liens	No close season.

NOTE: Communicate with Game, Fish & Oyster Commission, Austin, for information as to counties having an open season on otters, and for additional local seasons and restrictions

Use of steel trap prohibited in Bowie, Cass, Freestone, Harrison, Henderson, Hill, Houston, Johnson, Lamar, Lee, Marion, Red River, Navarro and Smith Counties except on own land. Steel traps may be set within 200 yards of residence in Montgomery, Sabine and San Augustine Counties, and within 300 yards of residence in Colorado County. In Cherokee County steel traps may be set Dec.15 to Jan, 15, or within 200 yards of residence.

POSSESSION AND SALE. Pelts taken during the open season may be possessed and sold at any time. Trapper is allowed 15 days after close of season for drying pelts taken during open season. Unlawful to purchase on land of another muskrats taken on such land except from the owner or his agent. No restriction on possession for personal use of skins lawfully taken.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken.

LICENSES: Resident, \$1. Nonresident, \$25. Fur buyer: Wholesale, \$25; retail, \$5. Fur dealers must submit sworn report not later than the 10th of each month showing number and kind of pelts purchased and shipped out of State the preceding month.

UTAH

Open seasons

Bear No close season.
 Beaver, otter, muskrat, mink, marten, raccoon No open season.**
 Other fur and predatory animals No close season.

**NOTE: Beaver damming farms or other property may be trapped under authorization of the Game Commissioner.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Skins of fur animals legally taken may be possessed and sold at any time, but green pelts may be possessed only during the open season and 15 days thereafter. Skins of beavers must be turned over to the Commissioner to be sold. Possession of beaver and otter skins prohibited unless tagged.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Furs legally taken and possessed may be shipped and exported at any time, but shipment and export of untagged beaver skins prohibited.

LICENSES: Resident, \$5. Nonresident not permitted to trap.

VERMONT

Open seasons

Muskrat (see exception) Oct.25 - Apr.19.
Exception: In Addison, Chittenden, Franklin, Rutland, and
 Grand Isle Counties Feb.15 - Apr.19.
 Raccoon Oct.25 - Dec.31.
 Mink, otter, fox, marten, skunk Oct.25 - Feb.14.**
 Beaver, fisher cat No open season.

**NOTE: Fox and skunk may be taken with gun and dog Oct.25-Feb.15.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Possession of fur animals during close season prohibited, but furs or skins of animals legally taken may be possessed, bought and sold at any time.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Shipments must be tagged to show number and kind of animals or skins, consignor and consignee, station from which shipped, and destination. A person required to have a license must also show his license number on shipment. No other restrictions on shipment of skins legally taken and possessed.

LICENSES: Resident, \$1. Nonresident, \$50. Fur buyer: Resident, \$2. Nonresident, \$50.

VIRGINIA
(Trapping Only)

Open seasons

Beaver, otter, raccoon, squirrel	No open season.
Mink, opossum	Dec. 1 - Jan.31.**
Muskrat	Jan. 1 - Mar.15.**
Bear	Nov.15 - Dec.31.
Rabbit, fox, (see exceptions)	Nov.15 - Jan.31.
<u>Exceptions</u> : Fox in Albemarle, Nelson and Montgomery	
Counties	Nov. 1 - Nov.30.
Fox in Madison and Orange Counties	Nov. 1 - Dec.31.
Fox in Amelia, Appomattox, Clarke, Culpeper, Davvill's District in Dinwiddie, Essex, Fairfax, Fauquier, Fluvanna, Franklin, Lee, Loudoun, Nottoway and Rap- pahannock Counties	No open season.**
Weasel, wildcat, skunk	No close season.

**NOTE: It is unlawful to trap in Amelia County except with box traps for rabbits.

It is unlawful to trap in Carroll County except with box traps for rabbits and water sets for mink and muskrat, but does not apply to landowner on own land.

It is unlawful to use steel traps and deadfalls in Lee County except by landowner on own land.

It is unlawful to trap in Nansemond County except on marshes and tidal waters, and with box traps for rabbits, but does not apply to landowner on own lands and waters

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken and possessed.

LICENSES: Resident, \$5 (State), \$1 (County). Nonresident, \$50. Fur buyer: Resident, \$25 (State), \$10 (County). To buy from trappers at retail within a fixed place of business, \$5. Nonresident: To buy from individual trapper, \$75 (State), \$25 (County). To buy from trappers at retail within a fixed place of business, \$25.

WASHINGTON

Open seasons

Beaver, fisher, marten No open season.
 Raccoon (trapping only):
 In Clallam, Clark, Cowlitz, Grays Harbor, Island, Jefferson,
 King, Kitsap, Lewis, Mason, Pacific, Pierce, San Juan,
 Skagit, Skamania, Snohomish, Thurston, Wahkiakum, and
 Whatcom Counties, and in Klickitat County west of White
 Salmon River Nov. 1 - Jan.15.
 In rest of State No open season.
 Other fur animals Nov. 1 - Jan.15.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Beaver skins from without State, if inspected and tagged or stamped (fee 10¢) may be possessed and sold at any time. Skins of other fur animals legally taken may be possessed, sold, shipped, or exported at any time.

LICENSES: Resident, \$5. Not issued to nonresidents. Fur dealer, \$10.

WEST VIRGINIA

Open seasons

Muskrat Nov. 1 - Feb.27.
 Raccoon, bear, opossum, skunk Nov.14 - Jan.31.
 Red fox (trapping):
 In Barbour, Calhoun, Fayette, Harrison, Hancock, Jackson,
 Marshall, Putnam, Boone, Ritchie, Tyler, Upshur, Wetzel,
 and Wirt Counties Nov.15 - Jan.31.**
 In rest of State No close season.**
 Beaver, otter No open season.

**NOTE: There is no open season for the killing or trapping of red fox in Braxton, Cabell, Clay, Doddridge, Gilmer, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Marion, Mercer, Monongalia, Pleasants, Taylor, Wayne, and Wood Counties, but they may be chased for sport.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins lawfully taken

LICENSES: Resident, \$3. Nonresident, .15.

WISCONSIN

Open seasons

Muskrat (see exceptions)	No open season.
<u>Exceptions:</u> In Buffalo, Crawford, Grant, LaCrosse, Pepin, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties	Dec. 1 - Feb. 1.
In Waupaca and Winnebago Counties, and in towns of Saxoville, Loon, Warren, Bloomfield, Pey Sippi, and Aurora in Waushara County	Oct.25 - Mar. 1.
Mink (see exception)	No open season.
<u>Exception:</u> In Ashland, Barron, Bayfield, Brown, Buffalo, Burnett, Calumet, Chippewa, Columbia, Crawford, Dane, Dodge, Door, Douglas, Dunn, Florence, Forest, Grant, Green, Iowa, Jackson, Jefferson, Kenosha, Kewaunee, LaCrosse, Lafayette, Langlade, Manitowoc, Marathon, Marinette, Monroe, Oconto, Ozaukee, Pepin, Pierce, Polk, Portage, Racine, Rock, Rusk, Sauk, Sawyer, Shawano, Sheboygan, Trempealeau, Vernon, Vilas, Walworth, Washington, Waukesha, Waupaca, Waushara, and Winnebago Counties	Dec. 1 - Feb. 1.
Beaver (see exception) **	No open season.
<u>Exception:</u> In Ashland, Bayfield, Chippewa, Dunn, Eau Claire, Florence, Forest, Iron, Langlade, Marinette, Oneida, Price, Rusk, Sawyer, and Vilas Counties	Mar. 1 - Mar.31.
Otter (see exception)	No open season.
<u>Exception:</u> In Adams, Ashland, Bayfield, Florence, Forest, Langlade, Marinette, Oconto, Oneida, Vilas, and Waushara Counties	Dec. 1 - Feb. 1.
Skunk (see exception)	Oct.25 - Dec. 1.
<u>Exception:</u> In Milwaukee County	No open season.
Bear (game animal), In Ashland, Barron, Bayfield, Burnett, Chippewa, Douglas, Florence, Forest, Iron, Langlade, Lin- coln, Marathon, Marinette, Oconto, Polk, Price, Rusk, Sawyer, Shawano, Taylor, and Washburn Counties	Nov.19 - Nov.25.
In rest of State	No open season.
Gray Raccoon (see exception)	No open season.
<u>Exception:</u> In Adams, Barron, Brown, Buffalo, Calumet, Chippewa, Clark, Columbia, Crawford, Dane, Dodge, Door, Dunn, Eau Claire, Fond du Lac, Grant, Green, Green Lake, Iowa, Jackson, Jefferson, Juneau, Kenosha, Kewaunee, LaCrosse, Lafayette, Manitowoc, Marathon, Marquette, Monrow, Outagamie, Ozaukee, Pepin, Pierce, Polk, Portage, Racine, Richland, Rock, St.Croix, Sauk, Shawano, Sheboy- gan, Trempealeau, Vernon, Walworth, Washburn, Washington, Waukesha, Waupaca, Waushara, and Wood Counties	Oct.25 - Dec. 1.
Red fox (see exception)	Oct.29 - Mar. 1.
<u>Exception:</u> In Milwaukee and Price Counties	No open season.
In Adams, Bayfield, Burnett, Calumet, Crawford, Dodge, Douglas, Dunn, Florence, Fond du Lac, Grant, Green, Green Lake, Iowa, Juneau, LaCrosse, Langlade, Marinette, Mar- quette, Monroe, Oconto, Outagamie, Pierce, Richland, St.Croix, Sauk, Sheboygan, Vernon, Vilas, Washington, Waupaca, Waushara, and Winnebago Counties	No close season.

****NOTE:** Beavers may be trapped March 1 - March 31 on national forest areas in the counties having an open season.

POSSESSION AND SALE: All beaver skins must be tagged (fee \$1) before they can be legally possessed, shipped, or transported. Possession of green hides of fur animals permitted during open season and 5 days thereafter. No other restrictions on skins legally taken

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken, except beaver as above stated, but packages must be marked to show contents, name and address of shipper, and his license number.

LICENSES: Resident, \$1. Not issued to nonresidents. Special beaver license, \$2.50. Fur dealer: Resident, Class A, \$25; Class B, \$10; Class C, \$1. Fur dresser, \$25. Itinerant buyer, \$200.

WYOMING

Open seasons

Beaver No open season.**
Fisher, marten, mink, fox, raccoon, red squirrel, muskrat,
badger Nov. 16 - May 1.
Other fur animals No close season.

****NOTE:** Beavers may be taken only under permit of the Game and Fish Commission, and pelts so taken must be tagged with "Beaver Tag" and "Protected Animal Tag" - fee 50¢ each.

POSSESSION AND SALE: No restrictions on skins legally taken, except beaver as above stated.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken except nonresident buyers must obtain permit to ship beaver skins out of State.

LICENSES: Resident, \$10. Nonresident, \$25. Fur dealer: Resident, \$10. Nonresident, \$20.



CANADA

ALBERTA

Open seasons

Bear	Sept.1 - June 14.
Beaver, badger, fisher, marten	No open season.
Fox	Nov. 1 - Jan.31.
Mink	Nov.15 - Feb.15.
Otter	Nov. 1 - Mar.31.
Red squirrel	Dec. 1 - Feb.28.
Muskrat - North of Township 70	Mar. 1 - May 10.
South of Township 71	No open season.

POSSESSION AND SALE: No restrictions on prime skins legally taken, except fur tax must be paid on all pelts. Unprime skins must be forwarded to the Department of Agriculture at ~~Alberta~~ Edmonton.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Export of furs and skins prohibited except under permit. Furs on which royalty has not been paid may not be exported. Special permit required for export of unprime skins and beaver skins. Export of live wild foxes prohibited.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Open seasons

Eastern District:

Bear (except white or Kermodei bear) (hunting only - may not be trapped)	Sept.1 - June 30.
Beaver, muskrat, otter (except sea otter):	
North of 51st parallel and in Yale Electoral District . .	Mar. 1 - May 15.
In rest of Eastern District	Mar. 1 - Apr.30.
Other fur animals, throughout District	Nov. 1 - Feb.28.

Western District:

Bear (except white or Kermodei bear) (hunting only - may not be trapped)	Sept.17 - June 30.
Beaver, muskrat, otter (except sea otter):	
North of 51st parallel (except Queen Charlotte Islands)..	Mar. 1 - Apr.30.
That part of Lillooet Electoral District east of a line drawn north and south of Alta Lake railway station on Pacific Great Eastern Railway, including watershed of Upper Lillooet River	Dec. 1 - Apr.30.
In remainder of District:	
Beaver (except on Vancouver and Queen Charlotte Islds.)	Dec. 1 - Feb.28.
Muskrat	Dec. 1 - Mar.15.
Otter	Dec. 1 - Feb.28.
Other fur animals:	
North of 51st parallel (except Queen Charlotte Islands)..	Nov. 1 - Feb.28.
In rest of District (including Queen Charlotte Islands)..	Dec. 1 - Feb.28.

NOTE: Western District comprises that portion of Province west of summit of Cascade Mountains and south of Atlin Electoral District except that part of Skeena Electoral District covered by the watershed of Lakelse and Zymagotitz Rivers.

Eastern District comprises remainder of Province.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Bear (except white or Kermodei bear) may be sold in Eastern District Sept.1-June 30, and in Western District Sept.17-June 30. Unlawful to sell pelts of fur animals taken in close season, or to possess unprime skins. Possession of pelts permitted during open season and 2 months thereafter (3 months north of 52d parallel). Special permit required for possession at other times.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Shipment and export allowed under permit, and royalties must be paid on all furs exported or shipped to tanner within Province. Packages must be prepared so they may be easily opened for inspection, or labelled with full description of contents, names and addresses of consignor and consignee, and accompanied by export permit. Importation of live animals prohibited except under permit.

MANITOBA

Open seasons

North of 53d Parallel:

Fisher, mink	Nov. 1 - Mar.15.
Otter	Nov. 1 - Apr.30.
Muskrat	Mar.20 - May 10.
Fox (other than Arctic, blue and white), lynx	Nov. 1 - Feb.15.
Fox (Arctic, blue and white)	Nov. 1 - Mar.31.
Beaver, marten, raccoon, badger	No open season.

South of 53d Parallel:

Fisher, mink,	Nov. 1 - Feb.28.
Beaver, marten, otter, raccoon, badger, (see exception)	No open season.

Exception: Otter east of Lake Winnipeg to Ontario

boundary, and north of Winnipeg River, to 53d parallel, and in Whiteshell Forest Reserve north of Whiteshell Game Preserve

Muskrat (see exception)	Nov. 1 - Apr.30.
	Apr. 1 - Apr.30.

Exception: South of 53d parallel east of Lake Winnipeg

and Bloodvein River

	Mar.20 - May 10.
Fox, lynx	Nov. 1 - Jan.31.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Possession of unprime skins prohibited. Unlawful to purchase or sell skins of muskrats that have been speared or shot. Person purchasing or acquiring pelts from trapper must have license or permit and at the same time record his name and permit number. Unlawful to purchase or barter pelts in close season, but does not apply to imported skins. Unlawful to possess pelts in close season except under permit. No other restrictions on skins lawfully taken.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Export of unprime skins or of skins in which royalty is payable, prohibited unless shipment is accompanied by permit and has attached a declaration of number and kind of skins contained. Shipment or removal from Province except by express or mail prohibited. No other restrictions on skins legally taken.

NEW BRUNSWICK

Open seasons

Otter, fisher, marten or sable, mink, fox, raccoon	Nov. 1 - Dec.31.
Muskrat (see exception)	Apr. 1 - Apr.30.
<u>Exception: In Carleton, Gloucester, Kent, Madawaska,</u>	
<u>Northumberland, Restigouche, and Victoria Counties</u>	
Rabbit	Sept.15 - Feb.28.
Beaver	No open season.
Other fur animals	No close season.

POSSESSION AND SALE of furs on which royalties have not been paid prohibited.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Skins legally taken, possessed, stamped and tagged, and on which royalties have been paid, may be exported under permit.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES **

Open seasons

Mink, fisher, lynx	Nov. 1 - Mar.31.
Marten	Nov. 1 - Mar. 1.
Beaver	Mar. 1 - May 31.**
Otter, north of Arctic Circle	Nov. 1 - May 15.
South of Arctic Circle	Nov. 1 - May 1.
Muskrat, North of Arctic Circle	Mar. 1 - June 15.
South of Arctic Circle	Mar. 1 - May 31.
Fox (other than Arctic, blue and white), North of Arctic Circle	Nov. 1 - Mar.15.
South of Arctic Circle	Nov. 1 - Mar. 1.
Fox (Arctic, blue and white), North of timberline	Nov.15 - Mar.31.
South of timberline	Nov. 1 - Mar. 1.
Polar bear	Oct. 1 - May 31.

**NOTE: Trapping prohibited in Peel River, Yellowknife, Arctic Islands, Mackenzie Mountains, and Slave River Preserves, which have been set aside as hunting and trapping grounds for native Indians, Eskimos and Halfbreeds.

Royal Canadian Mounted Police, as game officers, may issue permit to trap not more than 15 beavers to males over 18 years of age who, on June 30, 1932, had the status of residents, or to male holder of hunting and trapping license during the year ending June 30, 1932, but pelts taken must be delivered to game officer for stamping and recording before exportation. No person other than a permittee may possess unstamped beaver pelts. Pelts may be sold under regulation to licensed trader.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Licensed trapper may sell or trade skins he has lawfully taken. (See above note relative to beavers).

EXPORT:

SHIPMENT AND . . .: Furs legally taken may be exported under permit if stamped or sealed by permit officer upon payment of export tax.

LICENSES: Issuance of trapping license is restricted to residents who, on May 3, 1938, held hunting and trapping licenses, and who continue to reside in the Province.

NOVA SCOTIA

Open seasons

Beaver, marten, fisher No open season.
Bear, wolf, wildcat No close season.
Muskrat, mink, otter, raccoon, fox, weasel Nov. 1 - Dec.15.
Other fur animals Nov. 1 - Dec.15.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Unlawful to possess or sell green hide of beaver, fisher or marten, or to possess, buy, or sell green hides of any fur animals taken out of season, or pelts on which royalty has not been paid. No other restrictions on skins lawfully taken.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Unlawful to export skins of fur animals except under certificate of inspection and permit (fee 50¢) from game inspector, and payment of royalty. All shipments must be by express or parcel post.

ONTARIO

Open seasons

Mink, fisher, marten, otter, fox Nov. 1 - Feb.28.
Raccoon Nov. 1 - Dec.31.
Muskrat -- Season to be fixed by regulation of Game and
Fisheries Department, Toronto.
Beaver No open season.
Other fur animals No close season.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Possession of furs during close season, and sale of unprime pelts, prohibited except under permit. Unlawful to have skins dressed, plucked, or treated except under permit obtained upon payment of royalties.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Export prohibited except under permit obtained on payment of royalties. No other restrictions on skins legally taken, possessed and tagged. Shipments must be made by express or parcel post, and packages must be marked to show contents, and names and addresses of consignor and consignee.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Open seasons

Otter, marten, mink, muskrat, raccoon	Nov. 1 - Mar.31.
Beaver	No open season.
Fox	Dec. 1 - Jan.31.
Other fur animals	No close season.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Prohibited during close season. Holders of permits may possess, buy, or sell beaver skins that have proper tag attached.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken, possessed and tagged.

QUEBEC

Open seasons

Bear	Aug.20 - June 30.
Beaver	No open season.
Muskrat	Mar.15 - Apr.30.
Fox	Nov. 1 - Feb.28.
Otter	Dec.15 - Mar.31.
Other fur animals	Nov. 1 - Mar.31.

POSSESSION AND SALE: No restrictions on skins lawfully taken and on which royalty has been paid.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Prohibited, except of fur animals or furs on which royalty has been paid. Skins must be shipped open to view. Each skin must be stamped to show royalty has been paid, and must be tagged before being shipped in any manner. Packages must show names and addresses of consignor and consignee.

SASKATCHEWAN

Open seasons

Beaver, fisher, marten, muskrat, raccoon, badger	No open season.
Fox	Nov. 1 - Jan.31.
Otter, mink	Nov. 1 - Apr.30.
Weasel	Nov. 1 - Feb.28.
Skunk	Nov. 1 - Mar.31.
Lynx	Dec. 1 - Feb.28.
Red squirrel	Dec. 1 - Jan.15.
Coyote (see exception)	Nov. 1 - Mar.15.
<u>Exception:</u> South of northern boundary of Township 55 . . .	No close season.
Timber wolf, bear, wolverine, rabbit	No close season.

NOTE: Nonresidents not permitted to trap.

POSSESSION AND SALE: No restrictions on skins lawfully taken, except that licensed trappers are required to return their licenses within 30 days after close of trapping season with an affidavit showing total number of skins taken, and such other particulars as the Minister may require. Fur dealers are required to obtain a permit to possess raw or unpressed furs during the close season.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins lawfully taken and possessed and on which royalties have been paid, except that permit is required for the exportation of fur animals or skins.

YUKON

Open seasons

Beaver	Mar. 1 - May 31 .
Fisher, otter	Jan. 1 - May 15.
Muskrat: North of Arctic Circle	Mar. 1 - June 15.
South of Arctic Circle	Mar. 1 - May 31.
Lynx	Nov. 15 - Mar. 31.
Marten, mink	Nov. 15 - Feb. 28.
Fox: North of Arctic Circle	Nov. 1 - Mar. 15.
South of Arctic Circle	Nov. 1 - Jan. 31.
Other fur animals	No close season.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins lawfully taken. Export of raw furs prohibited except under permit and payment of royalties. Aircraft may not be used in trapping operations except as a means of transportation between the settlement where trapper outfits and his principal base camp.

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NEWFOUNDLAND

Open seasons

Otter, lynx	Oct. 16 - Mar. 31.
Fox	Oct. 16 - Mar. 14.
Muskrat	Oct. 16 - Apr. 30.
Beaver, marten	No open season.
Other fur animals	No close season.

NOTE: Above seasons are subject to change by the Commissioner for Natural Resources, St. Johns, to whom inquiries should be addressed. No trapping allowed on following reserves: Min's Brook; Colinet River; Thwart Island, N.D.B.; Fur Pond; Octagon Pond; Chapel Island, N.D.B.; National Park, St. Lawrence Line; Great Seal Island, N. F. In Labrador, permits may be issued to resident trappers by the Newfoundland Ranger Force for the taking of not more than 8 beaver October 15 - March 31, but the skins must be delivered to the Ranger Force not later than May 31 for stamping or marking.

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OFFICIALS FROM WHOM INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED CONCERNING THE FUR LAWS OF
THE CANADIAN PROVINCES AND NEWFOUNDLAND

ALBERTA: Fish and Game Commissioner, Department of Agriculture,
Edmonton.

BRITISH COLUMBIA: Game Commission, 411 Dunsmuir Street, Vancouver.

MANITOBA: Director of Game & Fisheries, Department of Mines and
Natural Resources, Winnipeg.

NEW BRUNSWICK: Chief Game Warden, Department of Lands and Mines,
Fredericton.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES: Department of Mines & Resources, Ottawa, Ontario.

NOVA SCOTIA: Director, Lands & Forests, Halifax.

ONTARIO: Game & Fisheries Department, Toronto.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND: Game Inspector, Charlottetown.

QUEBEC: Superintendent, Fish & Game Branch, Department of
Mines & Fisheries, Quebec.

SASKATCHEWAN: Game Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources,
Regina.

YUKON: Territorial Secretary, Dawson.

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NEWFOUNDLAND: Secretary, Department of Natural Resources, St. Johns.