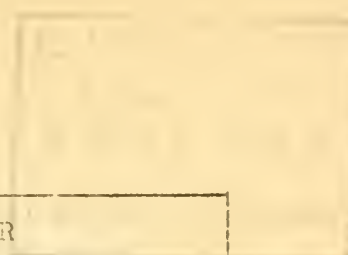


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ABSTRACT OF FUR LAWS, 1940-41

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The trapping, possession, and sale of fur animals and their pelts or other parts are controlled entirely by State laws, but interstate shipments thereof are subject to the scrutiny of Federal officers charged with the enforcement of the Lacey Act (35 Stat. 1137), as amended June 15, 1935, and June 19, 1939.

The accompanying tabulation of the open seasons for 1940-41, in which the opening and closing dates are given, together with a summary of the provisions of State and Provincial laws regarding possession, sale, shipment and export, and licenses, has been prepared primarily as an aid to Federal officials in conducting investigations under the Lacey Act and enforcing its provisions, and to answer inquiries of State game officials, individual trappers, and others.

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

## 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; or to transport, bring, or convey, by any means, from any foreign country into the United States, any wild animal, or the dead body or part thereof, captured, killed, taken, shipped, transported, or carried contrary to the law of the foreign country, or State, Province, or other subdivision thereof, in which it was captured, killed, or taken, or from which it was shipped, transported, or carried. The Act further provides that no person, firm, corporation, or association purchasing or receiving any wild animal, or the dead body or part thereof, imported from any foreign country, or shipped, transported, or carried in interstate commerce, shall make any false record or render any account that is false in reference thereto.

An amendment of June 15, 1935 (49 Stat. 380) confers upon employees of the Department of Agriculture (see note) 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 seize any wild animals or the dead bodies or parts thereof shipped, transported, or carried in violation of the Act.

An amendment of June 19, 1939 (53 Stat. 840) provides that all packages or containers, except those from foreign countries, in which the furs, hides, or skins of wild animals 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.

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NOTE: Under the Reorganization Act of April 3, 1939 (53 Stat. 561) and Reorganization Plan No. 2 (53 Stat. 1433) the functions of the Secretary of Agriculture relating to wildlife, game, and migratory birds were, effective July 1, 1939, transferred to the Secretary of the Interior. Under Reorganization Plan No. 3, of April 2, 1940, the Bureau of Biological Survey and the Bureau of Fisheries were consolidated into one agency, to be known as Fish and Wildlife Service, effective June 30, 1940.

ALABAMA  
(Trapping only)

Open seasons

Beaver, raccoon, fox, opossum, weasel, skunk, civet, mink,  
 rabbit, (see exception) . . . . . Dec. 1-Jan.31.  
Exception: In Lauderdale County . . . . . No open season.  
 Beaver, otter . . . . . No open season.  
 Muskrat - Consult Department of Conservation, Montgomery.

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 restrictions on sale of skins legally taken and on which State tax has been paid.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally 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 preceding year, minimum, \$25.

ALASKA

Open seasons

Beaver -  
 In Districts 1, 3, 7, and 8 . . . . . No open season.  
 In District 2 (see exception) . . . . . Mar. 1-Apr.10.  
Exception: On Kenai Peninsula . . . . . No open season.  
 In District 4 (see exception) . . . . . Feb.16-Mar.31.  
Exception: West of Nuknek River, Nuknek Lake, and Katmai  
 National Monument . . . . . No open season.  
 In District 5 . . . . . Mar.11-Apr.15.  
 In District 6 (see exception) . . . . . Feb.21-Mar.31.  
Exception: Tanana River drainage east of Richardson High-  
 way from Richardson Monument (mile 302 from Valdez) to  
 Big Delta (mile 280 from Valdez), and south and east of  
 Goodpaster River . . . . . No open season.

Muskrat -  
 In District 1 . . . . . No open season.  
 In District 2 . . . . . Apr. 1-May 31.  
 In Districts 3 and 4 . . . . . Mar.10 - May 10.  
 In District 5, north of Unalakleet River drainage (see ex-  
 ception) . . . . . Apr. 1-June 7.  
Exception: Golovin Bay drainage . . . . . No open season.  
 In rest of District 5 . . . . . Apr. 1-May 31.  
 In District 6 . . . . . Mar.10-May 31.  
 In District 7 . . . . . Mar. 1-May 31.  
 In District 8 . . . . . Apr.10-June 10.

Marten, throughout Territory . . . . . No open season.  
 Mink, land otter, weasel (ermine), fox (red, cross and silver),  
 lynx -  
 In District 1 . . . . . No open season.  
 In District 2 . . . . . Dec. 1-Feb.28.



Mink, land otter, weasel (ermine), fox (red, cross, silver, white, and blue), and lynx -	
In District 3 (see exception) . . . . .	Nov.16-Jan.15.
<u>Exception:</u> Mink, land otter, weasel (ermine), on Unimak Island . . . . .	No open season.
In District 4 . . . . .	Nov.16-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 . . . . .	Dec. 1-Apr.15.
Wolf, coyote, wolverine, marmot, squirrel, throughout Territory, and polar bear in Districts 5 and 8 . . . . .	No close season.

Bag limits: Beaver, 10 a season.

TRAPPING METHODS: Land fur bearing animals may not be taken by means or aid 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 dam, and beaver or muskrat houses or dens, dams, or runways must not be injured or destroyed. Foxes must not be trapped within 100 feet of den.

POSSESSION AND SALE: No restrictions on prime skins legally taken except that beaver skins must be presented to a wildlife agent or other officer of the Commission, with affidavit showing lawful taking, for sealing within 90 days. Skins of blue foxes taken from the wild must be tagged by U. S. Commissioner before being sold.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on 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 consigners and consignees, and shipper must deliver to freight or express agent, or postmaster, at shipping point, a statement showing contents of packages 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 prohibited.

LICENSES: Resident, \$2. Nonresident, general hunting and trapping, \$50. Fur farm, \$2. Alien, special, \$100. Fur dealers: (a) Resident, or association or copartnership of residents, \$10 for each individual; (b) Nonresident, citizen of U.S., or corporation, association, or copartnership formed of citizens of U.S., 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.
<u>Exception:</u> 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.
<u>Exception:</u> Beaver, bear, otter . . . . .	No open season.
Fox (see exception) . . . . .	No open season.
<u>Exception:</u> In Baxter, Carroll, Cross, Independence, Johnson, and Woodruff Counties . . . . .	Dec. 1-Jan.31.
In Marion County . . . . .	Nov.15-Jan.31.
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 buyer 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, 12 or less traps, \$1.50; more than 12 traps, \$20; nonresident, \$50. Fur dealer: Resident, \$5; nonresident, \$50.

CALIFORNIA

Open seasons

Fur animals (see exception) . . . . .	Nov.16-Feb.28.
<u>Exception:</u> Beaver, sea otter . . . . .	No open seas n.
Bear (see exception) . . . . .	Oct.15-Dec.31.
<u>Exception:</u> In Districts 4 and 4 <sup>1/2</sup> . . . . .	No open season.

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 taking bear.

COLORADO

Open seasons

Beaver, fisher, otter, raccoon, marten . . . . . No open season.  
Muskrat, mink, (see exception) . . . . . Oct. 1-Dec.31.  
Exception: East of U. S. Highway 87 . . . . . Nov. 1-Dec.31.  
Fox, weasel, wolverine, ring-tailed cat, opossum . . . . . Nov. 1-Mar.31.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Skins legally taken may be possessed during open season and for thirty days thereafter. Permit required for possession of skins by trapper and dealer after 30 days from close of season. These permits expire on September 1 of the year of issue, but may be renewed upon application before that date. The permit must accompany pelts sold by trapper, whether sold within or outside of State. If trapper disposes of only part of pelts covered by the permit, the original permit must accompany the pelts disposed of and application made for new permit to cover the remainder.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: See Possession and Sale. Licensed dealers are not required to obtain shipping permits for raw furs, but shipping tags provided by the Commission (fee 2¢ each) must be attached to each bundle shipped, and each bundle must show name, address, and license number of shipper. Licensed trappers must obtain shipping permits from the Commission for each shipment of furs out of the State. The permit must be attached to each bundle shipped, and must show number and kind of each pelt in shipment, names of shipper and consignee, and license number of trapper. Licensed dealers must furnish the Commission, on or before June 30, a written report showing number and kind of skins purchased from trappers and the amount paid.

LICENSES: Resident, \$2; nonresident, \$25. Fur dealer: Resident, \$25; nonresident, \$50. Commission may require licensees to submit such reports as it may deem necessary.

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: No restrictions on skins legally taken.

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. Nonresidents not permitted to trap. Fur dealer: Residents, \$5; agent of licensed resident, \$2; nonresidents, \$75.

DELAWARE

	<u>Open seasons</u>
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 in time of flood or freshet, or when they are driven from their dens or homes by flood or freshet; and 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: No restrictions on skins lawfully taken, except that it is unlawful to sell or export red fox or red fox hide.

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

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

\*\* In Columbia and Suwanee Counties trapping is permitted only on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

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 address of trapper.

LICENSES: Resident (Statewide), \$25.50; county, \$3.25; county other than county of residence, \$10.50. License not required of resident Confederate veterans or other residents 65 years of age or over. Nonresident (Statewide), \$100.50; county, \$25.50. Applicants for licenses must report previous year's catch. Fur dealer: Resident, \$100 for each agent; nonresident, \$500, and \$100 for each resident or travelling agent. Dealers and buyers must report each two weeks the name of trapper from whom pelts are purchased, his license number, and number and kind of pelts purchased.

GEORGIA

Open seasons

Beaver . . . . . No open season.  
 Mink, otter, muskrat, raccoon, skunk, bobcat, civet cat,  
 opossum, fox (trapping), bear (hunting) . . . . . 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, except that trapper must exhibit his license to transportation agent when making shipments. Express companies must submit report of fur shipments.

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 . . . . . No open season.  
 Marten, fisher, otter, mink, muskrat, raccoon, fox (see ex-  
 ception) . . . . . Nov. 1-Mar.31.  
Exception: Muskrat, 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: Director of Fish and Game 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 Director 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 restrictions on skins legally taken.

LICENSES: Resident, \$5; nonresident, \$25; alien, \$50. Fur buyer, \$3.



ILLINOIS

	<u>Open seasons</u>
Beaver, otter, marten, badger . . . . .	No open season.
Mink, muskrat, raccoon, opossum, skunk, fox (except gray fox):	
In Southern Zone . . . . .	Dec. 1-Jan.15.
In Central Zone . . . . .	Nov.15-Jan.15.
In Northern Zone (see exception) . . . . .	Nov.15-Jan.31.
<u>Exception:</u> Fox . . . . .	No close season.
Other fur animals, including gray fox . . . . .	No close season.

NOTE: Northern Zone comprises Henderson, Warren, Knox, Peoria, Woodford, Livingston, and Iroquois 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 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, inclusive, not later than the 5th day of the month succeeding the month for which report is made. Fur buyers or tanners of green hides of fur animals are required to keep a record showing name, address and license number of each person, within or outside of State, from which such hides are received, date of receipt, and price paid, which record shall be open to inspection of officers of the Conservation Department, sheriffs, constables or other police officers.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken.

LICENSES: For each 25 traps or fraction thereof - Resident, \$2; nonresident \$10. Fur buyers: Resident wholesaler, \$50; retailer, \$10; travelling, \$50; nonresident, \$50.

INDIANA

	<u>Open seasons</u>
Beaver . . . . .	No open season.
Raccoon, opossum, skunk, mink, muskrat, north of U. S. Highway	
No. 40 . . . . .	Nov.15-Jan.31.
South of Highway 40 . . . . .	Nov.25-Jan.31.
Fox . . . . .	No close season.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Fresh skins legally taken may be possessed and disposed of for 5 days after close of season. Licensed fur buyers may possess untanned hides taken in open season for 60 days after close of season, and for a longer period if report showing number and kinds of skins, and place of storage, is made to Director of Conservation. No other restrictions on skins legally taken.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken, except that 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, \$25; nonresident jobber to purchase from licensed buyers, \$10.

IOWA

Open seasons

Beaver, otter . . . . . No open season.  
Mink, muskrat, raccoon, opossum, skunk, civet cat, badger . . . Nov.10-Jan.10.  
Fox, weasel, wolf, wildcat . . . . . No close season.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Skins 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 Commission. 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 10 days after close of season, file with Conservation Commission sworn inventory showing number and kinds of skins purchased.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: See above. Skins of protected fur animals legally taken 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, 15¢ per trap, including tag. Nonresident or alien, \$25, plus tag fee of 25¢ per trap. Fur dealers must be licensed - Communicate with Conservation Commission, Des Moines, 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 skins legally taken.

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, opossum, skunk . . . . .	Nov.24-Jan. 9.
Squirrel . . . . .	Aug.15-Oct.31.
Rabbit . . . . .	Nov.24-Jan. 9.
Red fox . . . . .	Dec. 1-Dec.31.

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  
(Trapping)

Open seasons

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

(Wolves, wildcats, and panthers are outlawed and may be hunted and killed at any time).

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: State tax (otter 25¢; mink, raccoon, 5¢; alligator 1 to 3¢; all other pelts 1¢ each) must be paid on all pelts before being bought and shipped, or exported. 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 not permitted to trap. 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 . . . . .	
In Washington County . . . . .	Mar.20-Apr.20. Apr: 1-Apr.30.
In Aroostook County . . . . .	(Nov. 1-Nov.30 (Apr.15-May 15.
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 calibre, 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. Licensed trappers are required to make report of their catch.

MARYLAND

Open seasons

Beaver, otter . . . . .	No open season.
Muskrat . . . . .	Jan. 1-Mar.15.
Raccoon, opossum . . . . .	Nov. 1-Jan.31.
Rabbit (see exception), squirrel . . . . .	Nov.15-Dec.31.
<u>Exception:</u> Rabbit in Allegheny 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 between sunrise and sunset.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Possession of green hides of muskrat prohibited except from Jan. 1 to March 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 within State assessed at \$500 or more pays \$1 for license for the county in which the land is located.

MASSACHUSETTS

Open seasons

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

\* 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 Conservation Department the number of animals taken.

LICENSES: Resident, \$5.25 (no charge to resident 70 years of age or 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 -- Open seasons, if any, to be announced by Conservation Department later.	
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.
Skunk, 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.

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

Bear may be hunted or trapped at any time except in counties closed by Conservation Department.

POSSESSION AND SALE: 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.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Dealers must have permit to export furs. Packages must be labeled with name and address of consignor and consignee.

LICENSES: Resident (except for beaver and otter), 20 traps, \$1; each additional trap, 10%. Licensee must report to Conservation Department not later than Feb. 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

	<u>Open seasons</u>
Bear, in even years . . . . .	Nov.15-Nov.25.
in odd years . . . . .	Apr.15-May 15.
Skunk . . . . .	Oct.20-Mar. 1.
Raccoon . . . . .	Nov. 1-Dec. 1.
Mink . . . . .	Nov. 1-Jan.31.
Otter, fisher, marten, badger . . . . .	No open season.
Beaver, muskrat . . . . .	SEE NOTE
Other fur animals . . . . .	No close season.

NOTE: Season on beaver and muskrat to be fixed by Conservation Department - beaver not to exceed 15 days between April 20 and May 20; muskrat not to exceed 30 days between March 1 and April 30.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Skins of fur animals legally taken, if tagged within 5 days (beaver 10 days) after close of season, may be possessed, bought, or sold at any time. Possession of untagged skins at other times 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. Beaver trapping license, \$2.50; special tag required for each beaver pelt, \$1. Nonresident not permitted to trap. Fur buyer: Resident, wholesale, \$1; local, \$1; resident travelling, \$10. Nonresident local or travelling buyer, \$25.

MISSISSIPPI

	<u>Open seasons</u>
Mink, muskrat, raccoon, opossum, skunk, weasel, (trapping), (see exception) . . . . .	Nov.15-Jan.31.
<u>Exception</u> : Mink, muskrat, raccoon, skunk, weasel, in Grenada, Washington, Itawamba, Bolivar, Hinds, Rankin, Madison, Copiah, Simpson, and Clay Counties . . . . .	No open season.
Bear, beaver, otter . . . . .	No open season.
Wildcat . . . . .	No close season.

NOTE: Foxes may be chased with dogs at any time, but they may be trapped, when predatory, only under permit of the Game and Fish Commission. Raccoons may be chased for sport Nov. 15-Jan.31.



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

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Prohibited except during open season.

LICENSES: Resident, .25 (fee 25¢); nonresident, .200 (fee \$1). Fur dealer: In towns of 5,000 population or more, \$100; less than 5,000, \$25. Transients, \$50 for each county. Licensees are not required, but are requested, to report their annual catch on forms supplied for that purpose.

## MISSOURI

### Open seasons

Opossum, muskrat, skunk, civet cat, weasel, mink . . . . . Dec. 1-Jan.31.  
Raccoon, fox . . . . . Dec. 1-Dec.31.  
Wolf, coyote, bobcat . . . . . No close season.  
Other fur animals . . . . . No open season.

NOTE: Raccoons may be pursued with dogs June 1 to Oct.31, but may be taken only during December.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Possession and sale of green pelts during close season prohibited. The buying season extends from Dec. 6 to 10 days after close of any season. Fur dealers may traffic in furs throughout the calendar year, but fur buyers are restricted to the open season. Raccoon pelts offered for sale by trapper, or possessed by dealer or buyer, must be labeled or tagged with prescribed tag which is available without cost from Conservation Commission.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Shipper must show hunter's or dealer's license to transportation company. Undried or green pelts may be shipped only during open season, but pelts of wolves, coyotes and wildcats may be shipped at any time or 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.

LICENSES: Resident, hunting and trapping (State) .22; county of residence, hunting and fishing, \$1; hunting, fishing and trapping (State), \$2.50. Nonresident hunting, \$15 (does not include fur animals). Fur dealer or buyer: Resident dealer \$100; resident buyer (State), \$10; dealer's agent, (State), \$5. Nonresident: Fur buyer (State), \$150; limited, \$25; dealer's agent, \$25.

## MONTANA

### Open seasons

Beaver, otter, raccoon, fisher . . . . . No open season.  
Martens . . . . . Dec. 1-Feb. 1.  
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: After investigation by State Game Warden he may issue special permit to property owner (fee \$10) to trap beavers damaging property. Application for such permit must be filed between May 1 and Nov.30.

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 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 and sold, or exported under permit (fee 50¢). No other restrictions on skins legally taken.

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

LICENSES: Resident, \$10 (must also hold big game license of Class AA and resident hunting and fishing license. Resident on own or leased land, \$1. Non-resident not permitted to trap. Fur dealer: Resident, \$1; nonresident, \$25.

#### NEBRASKA

#### Open seasons

Muskrat . . . . .	Dec. 1-Feb. 15.
Raccoon, opossum . . . . .	Nov. 1-Feb. 1.
Badger . . . . .	Jan. 1-Mar. 1.
Fox, mink, rabbit, skunk . . . . .	No close season.

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 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 labeled in two places with name of consignor, his license number, and number and kinds of skins. No other restrictions on shipment of skins legally taken.

LICENSES: Resident, \$2.50; nonresident or alien, for 1,000 or less fur animals, \$100.10; for each additional 100 or part of 100, \$5.10. All persons hunting raccoons are required to obtain a "Raccoon Hunters Permit" instead of trapping permit. 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 restrictions on skins lawfully taken.

LICENSES: Hunting license required for trapping - Resident, \$2.50; nonresident and declarant alien, 10. Alien, \$25. Consult Fish and Game Commission, Reno, for information as to fur dealers' licenses.

FUR TRAPPING

Open seasons

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

\*NOTE: The Director of Fish and Game may declare an open season on beaver in Coos County during March and April upon complaint of a water company or a landowner that beaver are polluting water supply or doing substantial damage to property; or, upon his own motion, for the protection of hunting, fishing, or lumbering operations. During such open season any resident of the State holding a trapping license may trap beavers in Coos County. Skins of beavers so trapped must be presented to a conservation officer within 10 days from close of season, for stamping (fee \$2). Skins lawfully taken and stamped may be bought and sold.

Foxes may be hunted with gun and dog Sept. 1-March 1, and raccoons Oct. 1-Dec. 1.

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

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins lawfully taken.

LICENSES: Resident, \$3.15; nonresident, \$50.15. Fur buyer: Resident, \$35.15 (State); \$5.15 (county).



NEW JERSEY

Open seasons

Mink, muskrat, otter . . . . .	Dec. 1-Mar.15.
Raccoon (see note) . . . . .	Oct.15-Jan.15.
Beaver . . . . .	No open season.
Other fur animals . . . . .	No close season.

NOTE: Raccoon may be hunted only between sunset and sunrise, but may not be hunted during open season for deer. 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 State any protected animals except deer. There are no restrictions on the shipment and 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** . . . . .	Sept.15-Oct.25.
Mink, raccoon, weasel, badger, coati mundi, masked ferret, civet cat, pine marten, ring-tailed cat, fox . . . . .	Oct. 1-Mar.31.
Muskrat . . . . .	Dec. 1-Mar.31.

\*\*NOTE: Bear may be hunted with or without trained dogs Sept.15-Oct.25 and Nov.15-Dec.10, and may be hunted without dogs Nov. 1-Nov.15.

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: Resident, \$1.10; nonresident, \$20.10. Fur dealer: Resident, \$5; nonresident, \$50.

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. 5-Mar.15.
Skunk** . . . . .	Nov. 5-Feb.10.
Raccoon . . . . .	Nov. 5-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 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, spear-  
ing, or by the use of chemicals, gas, poison, or so-called box,  
wire, or cage traps; they may be taken during the open season with  
a firearm not larger than .22 calibre. Disturbing dens or houses,  
or setting traps within 5 feet thereof, 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 a manner that an animal, when caught,  
will be suspended.

Department of Conservation has power to permit 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.

Use of any device consisting of a noose of any material, in the  
taking of fur animals, prohibited.

No person shall take or remove from a lawfully set trap, any wild  
animal, or possess such animal, without the consent of the owner of  
such trap.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SKINNING AND MEAT: No restrictions on skins legally  
taken, except that the skins of animals listed above (except bear) shall not be  
sold while attached to the carcass.

LICENSES: Resident, 1940, \$4.25; 1941, \$2.25; nonresident, additional, \$2.  
Licenses are required to report the number and species of animals taken during  
the previous season.

NORTH CAROLINA

Open seasons

Bear (game animal - may not be trapped) (see exception) . . . . .	Oct. 1-Jan. 1.
<u>Exception:</u> In Alleghany, Wilkes, Caldwell, Burke, Rutherford, and all counties west thereof . . . . .	
	Oct.20-Jan. 1.
Beaver, otter . . . . .	No open season.
Muskrat, mink, raccoon, opossum, (see exceptions) . . . . .	Nov. 1-Feb.15.**
<u>Exceptions:</u> In Camden and Currituck Counties . . . . .	
	Dec. 1-Mar. 1.
In Dare County . . . . .	
	Nov.15-Feb.15.
In Bladen, Columbus, Craven, Duplin, Graham, Greene, Haywood, Hoke, Johnston, Pender, Robeson, Sampson, Wayne, and Wilson Counties, and in all counties west of Surry, Wilkes, Alexander, Catawba, and Cleveland Counties. . . . .	
	No open season.**
Skunk, wildcat, weasel . . . . .	No close season.
Fox (game animal) - Communicate with Department of Conservation and Development, Raleigh, for information as to county regulations.	

**\*\*NOTE:** The use of steel traps is prohibited in Bladen, Columbus, Duplin, Greene, Graham, Johnston, Haywood, Hoke, Pender, Robeson, Sampson, Wayne, 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.1-Feb.15.

**POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT:** The skins of fur animals legally taken may be possessed, bought, sold and transported at any time, but all packages containing skins of fur animals must be marked to show consignor and consignee and number and species of hides contained therein.

**LICENSES:** Resident - State, \$3.25; county, \$2.25. Nonresident, \$25.25. Fur dealer: Resident, State, \$25; county, \$10; fur dealer's employe license, \$25. County permit to buy furs at established place of business in resident county, \$5; nonresident, \$100; nonresident permit to buy furs from Statewide licensed dealer, \$1.

NORTH DAKOTA

Open seasons

Beaver, muskrat, badger . . . . .	No open season.**
Mink, raccoon, weasel . . . . .	Nov.15-Feb.15.
Skunk . . . . .	Nov. 1-Feb.28.
Fox . . . . .	Nov.15-Apr.30.
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 them on his premises (fee \$5).



POSSESSION AND SALE: Skins legally taken may be possessed and sold only during the open season. Permit required for possession and 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, .15 for each place of business; resident travelling agent or buyer, \$15; nonresident, .25.

OHIO

Open seasons

Muskrat, mink, (see exception) . . . . .	Dec. 1-Jan.15.
<u>Exception:</u> In Lucas, Ottawa, Sandusky, Erie, Lorain, Cuyahoga, Lake, and Ashtabula Counties . . . . .	Dec.15-Mar.15.
Fox (red and gray) (see exceptions) . . . . .	No close season.
<u>Exceptions:</u> Red fox in Hamilton, Clermont, Brown, Fairfield, Licking, Highland, Adams, Scioto, Pike, Ross, Lawrence, Jackson, Vinton, Hocking, Holmes, Cassiacton, Muskingum, Perry, Morgan, Athens, Deigo, Gallia, Tuscarawas, Guernsey, Noble, Washington, Harrison, Belmont, and Monroe Counties (season opens at noon) . . . . .	Nov.15-Jan.15.
Red fox in Jefferson County. . . . .	Oct. 1-Feb.15.
Raccoon, opossum, skunk . . . . .	Nov.15-Jan.15.**

\*\*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.  
Use of climbers or other tree-climbing devices in the taking of fur animals prohibited.

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 - reciprocal, but not less than \$5. Fur dealer: Nonresident, or resident agent, \$50. Fur dealer or buyer required to render report within 30 days after close of season showing all skins bought which were taken within the State and shipped out of State or sold within the State.

OREGON

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 the open season or within 10 days thereafter.

LICENSES: Resident, \$1.25; nonresident, \$250. Fur dealer: Resident, \$15; nonresident, \$50. Licensed trappers required to report their catch.

OREGON

Open seasons

Beaver, marten, fisher, raccoon, civet cat, ring-tailed cat. . . . . No open season.  
 Mink, otter, 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 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. Trapping license for mink, otter, and muskrat, resident and nonresident, \$3. Hunting license required for trapping of predatory animals. Fur dealer, \$10. Fur dealer required to submit report not later than January 10 of all pelts acquired.

PENNSYLVANIA

Open seasons

Beaver (see exception) . . . . . Mar. 1-Mar.15.  
Exception: In Armstrong, Beaver, Bradford, Cambria, Cameron, Carbon, Centre, Clearfield, Columbia, Fayette, Greene, Indiana, Jefferson, Lycoming, McKean, Montour, Northumberland, Potter, Schuylkill, Snyder, Somerset, Sullivan, Tioga, Union, Washington, Westmoreland, and Wyoming Counties . . . . . No open season.  
 Raccoon (trapping) (see exception) . . . . . Nov. 1-Dec.31.  
Exception: In Beaver, Berks, Bucks, Butler, Cambria, Carbon, Chester, Dauphin, Delaware, Lancaster, Lawrence, Lebanon, Lehigh, Mercer, Montgomery, Northampton, Northumberland, Philadelphia, Schuylkill, Snyder, and York Counties . . . . . No open season.

Mink . . . . .	Nov. 1-Jan.31.
Otter, in Lackawanna, Monroe, Pike, Susquehanna, Wayne, and Wyoming Counties only . . . . .	Nov. 1-Jan.31.
Muskrat . . . . .	Dec. 1-Dec.31.
Opossum, skunk . . . . .	No close season.
Bear (game animal) (see exception) . . . . .	Nov.18-Nov.21.
<u>Exception:</u> In Adams, Bedford, Blair, Cumberland, Franklin, Fulton, Huntingdon, Juniata, Mifflin, and Perry Counties . .	No open season.

BAG LIMITS: Beaver, 3 a season; otter, 4 a season; raccoon,  
15 a season; bear, 1 a season.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Skins of raccoon and bear taken during open season may be sold. Raw furs may be possessed during open season and 10 days thereafter. Untanned skins of bears may be possessed for 60 days after close of season.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Cured skins of raccoons and bears locally taken may be shipped at any time. Packages containing 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¢).

LICENSES: Resident, \$2; nonresident or alien, \$5. Licensees must report their catch. 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. Resident over 65 years of age may obtain license upon payment of recording fee. Nonresident, \$10; alien, \$15, recording fee 25¢.



SOUTH CAROLINA

Open seasons

Mink, muskrat, otter, skunk, (trapping) . . . . .	Nov.23-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.23-Mar. 1.
Opossum, in Anderson, Laurens, Abbeville, McCormick, Greenwood, and Newberry Counties . . . . .	Sept. 1-Feb. 1.
Bear . . . . .	No close season.
Fox (hunting only-may not be trapped) (see exceptions) . . . . .	Sept.15-Feb.15.
<u>Exceptions:</u> In Chester County . . . . .	Sept.15-Mar. 1.
In Spartanburg County . . . . .	Aug.31-Feb.28.
In Chesterfield County, and part of Kershaw County. . . . .	Sept. 1-Feb.15.
In Aiken, Bamberg, Barnwell, Colleton, Darlington, Dor- chester, Florence, Hampton, Lexington, Richland, and Kershaw Counties (except Flat Rock Township in Ker- shaw County) . . . . .	No close season.
In Anderson, Laurens, Abbeville, McCormick, Greenwood, and Newberry Counties . . . . .	Sept. 1-Mar. 1.

NOTE: Use of steel traps prohibited except for protection of  
poultry and 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; muskrat, opossum, 5¢. Packages for shipment must bear certificate of State Warden that tag has been attached to each pelt. Shippers must make monthly report to county warden of skins shipped or transported. Shipments must be labeled to show consignor and consignee and number and kind of skins. No other restrictions on skins legally taken.

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

SOUTH DAKOTA

Open seasons

Beaver (see note), opossum . . . . .	No open season.
Muskrat -	
In Marshall, Roberts, Day, Grant, Codington, Deuel, Hamlin, Brookings, Lake, Moody, Minnehaha, Turner, Lincoln, Union, Clay, and Yankton Counties . . . . .	Mar. 1-Mar.31.
In Harding, Butte, Meade, Lawrence, Pennington, Custer, Fall River, Shannon, Bennett, Todd, and Tripp Counties. . . . .	Dec. 1-Mar.31.
In rest of State . . . . .	No open season.
Raccoon, skunk . . . . .	Dec. 1-Feb.28.

NOTE: Director of Game and Fish may authorize trapping of beaver when  
he deems it advisable.

SEASONS OPEN AND CLOSE AT NOON.

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 shipment of 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 for each place of business; travelling representative of resident licensee, \$1. Nonresident, \$50; travelling representative of nonresident licensee, \$5.

TENNESSEE

Open seasons

Squirrel . . . . .	(June 1-June 15 (Sept.1-Dec.31.
Raccoon, muskrat, mink, skunk, opossum, otter, weasel . . . . .	Nov. 1-Feb. 1.
Red fox . . . . .	No open season.
Other fur and predatory animals . . . . .	No close season.

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

POSSESSION AND SALE: No restrictions on skins lawfully taken.

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 in Val Verde County and west of Pecos River . . . . .	Jan. 1-Jan.31.
Muskrat (see exception) . . . . .	Nov.15-Mar.15.
<u>Exception</u> : In Cattle County . . . . .	Nov.15-Apr. 1.

Badger, civet cat, skunk, fox, mink, opossum, raccoon, ring-tailed cat, (see exceptions) . . . . . Dec. 1-Jan.31.  
Exceptions: In Cottle County . . . . . Dec. 1-Feb.15.  
 In Angelina, Bastrop, Bowie, Brazos, Caldwell, Camp, Cooke, Delta, Denton, Falls, Fannin, Grayson, Grimes, Harrison, Henderson, Hood, Hopkins, Houston, Hunt, Jack, Jasper, Jefferson, Kaufman, Lee, Leon, Limestone, Lamar, Montgomery, Newton, Smith, Milan, Madison, Morris, McLennan, Navarro, Panola, Polk, Red River, Robertson, Rusk, San Jacinto, Shelby, Titus, Trinity, Tyler, Upshur, Walker, Washington, and Young Counties . . . . . No open season.  
 Raccoon, opossum, mink, in Shelby County . . . . . Dec. 1-Feb. 1.  
 Raccoon, mink, in Guadalupe and Washington Counties . . No open season.  
 Wolf, coyote, cougar, wildcat, bobcat, weasel, coon, mountain and Mexican lions . . . . . No close season.

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

POSSESSION AND SALE: Pelts taken during open season may be possessed and sold at any time, but the possession of undried pelts later than 15 days after close of season is prima facie evidence of unlawful taking. A trapper is allowed 15 days immediately following the open season for drying pelts taken during such season. Unlawful to purchase on land of another muskrats taken on such land, except from the owner or his agent. No restrictions on possession of skins for personal use if lawfully taken.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins lawfully taken.

LICENSES: Resident, \$1. Nonresident, \$200. Fur buyer: Wholesale, \$25; retail, \$5. Fur dealers must submit sworn report not later than 10th of each month, showing number and kind of pelts purchased and shipped out of State the preceding month.

UTAH

Open seasons

Beaver, otter . . . . . No open season.  
 Muskrat, mink, marten, raccoon . . . . . (Oct.15-Dec.15  
 (Feb.15-Apr. 1.  
 Other fur and predatory animals . . . . . No close season.

NOTE: Commissioner may close all or part of seasons when he deems it advisable.

Beavers damaging farms or other property may be trapped under authorization of the 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 taken under authorization of Game Commissioner must be turned over to him for sale. Possession of untagged beaver and otter skins prohibited.

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

	<u>Open seasons</u>
Muskrat (see exceptions) . . . . .	Oct.25-Apr.19.
<u>Exceptions:</u> In Lamoille County . . . . .	Nov. 1-Feb.14.
In Addison, Chittenden, Franklin, Rutland, and Grand Isle Counties . . . . .	Feb.15-Apr.19.
Along Connecticut River in Essex County . . . . .	Oct.20-Apr.19.
Raccoon (see exception) . . . . .	Oct.25-Dec.31.
<u>Exception:</u> In Lamoille County . . . . .	Nov. 1-Dec.31.
Mink, otter, fox, marten, skunk, (see exceptions) . . . . .	Oct.25-Feb.14.
<u>Exceptions:</u> In Lamoille County . . . . .	Nov. 1-Feb.14.
Fox, in Grand Isle County . . . . .	No close season.
Fox, in Franklin County . . . . .	No open season.
Beaver, fisher cat . . . . .	No open season.

NOTE: Muskrat may be taken by shooting first 20 days in April.  
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. No other restrictions on shipment of skins legally taken.

LICENSES: Resident, \$1.25; nonresident, .50. Fur buyer: Resident, \$2; nonresident, \$50.

VIRGINIA  
(Trapping only)

Open seasons

Beaver, otter, raccoon, squirrel . . . . .	No open season.
Opossum . . . . .	Dec. 1-Jan.31.
Mink, muskrat . . . . .	Jan. 1-Mar.15.
Bear . . . . .	Nov.15-Jan.31.
Rabbit, fox, (see exceptions) . . . . .	Nov.15-Jan.31.
<u>Exceptions: Fox, in Albemarle, Nelson, and Montgomery</u>	
Counties . . . . .	Nov. 1-Nov.30.
Fox, in Madison and Orange Counties . . . . .	Nov. 1-Dec.31.
Fox, in Highland County . . . . .	Nov.15-Feb.28.
Fox, in Amelia, Appomattox, Clarke, Culpeper, Dar- vil's District in Dinwiddie, Essex, Fairfax, Fauquier, Fluvanna, Franklin, Lee (red fox only), Loudoun, Nottoway, and Rappahannock 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 on own land.

It is unlawful to trap in Nansomond County except on marshes and tidal waters.

It is unlawful to set steel traps in Dinwiddie County and in Nottoway except within 300 yards of granary or dwelling.

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.
Other fur animals . . . . .	Nov.15-Jan.15.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Beaver skins from without the State, if inspected and tagged or stamped (for 10¢) may be possessed and sold at any time. Skins of other fur animals legally taken may be sold, shipped, and exported at any time. All fur animals or parts thereof possessed by any person, firm, or corporation other than the one who took them, must have attached a written statement by the taker showing his license number, date, and county in which taken.

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

WEST VIRGINIA

Open seasons

Beaver, otter . . . . .	No open season.
Muskrat . . . . .	Jan. 1-Feb.28.
Raccoon, opossum . . . . .	Nov.11-Jan.31.
Skunk . . . . .	Nov.11-Feb.28.
Red fox (see exceptions) . . . . .	No close season.

Exceptions: In Barbour, Boone, Cabell, Calhoun, Clay, Doddridge, Gilmer, Harrison, Jackson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Marion, Mason, McDowell, Mercer, Pleasants, Raleigh, Boone, Wayne, and Wood Counties (trapping) . . . No open season.  
 In Branton, Fayette, Hancock, Logan, Marshall, Mingo, Ohio, Ritchie, Taylor, Wetzel, and Wirt Counties . . . . . Nov.11-Jan.31.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Possession permitted during open season only, but fresh skins may be possessed for 30 days after close of season. No restriction on sale of skins legally taken and possessed.

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

LICENSES: Resident, \$3. Nonresident, \$15. Fur dealer: Resident, State-wide, \$10; county, \$1. Nonresident, \$50; agent, \$2.50. Fur dealers must submit an annual report of all transactions.

WISCONSIN

Open seasons

Muskrat:

In Waupaca and Winnebago Counties, and in the towns of Springwater, Saxeville, Leon, Warren, Bloomfield, Poy Sippi, Aurora, Mount Morris, and Marion (except Fish Lake) in Waushara County . . . . .	Oct.25-Mar.15.
In Adams, Ashland, Barron, Bayfield, Brown, Burnett, Calumet, Clark, Door, Douglas, Dunn, Eau Claire, Florence, Forest, Iron, Jackson, Juneau, Kewaunee, Langlade, Manitowish, Marinette, Monroe, Oconto, Oneida, Outagamie, Pierce, Polk, Price, Rusk, St.Croix, Sawyer, Shawano, Sheboygan, Vilas, and Washburn Counties . . .	Nov. 1-Dec.15.
In Buffalo, Crawford, Grant, Iowa, LaCrosse, Pepin, Racine, Richland, Rock, Trempealeau, Vernon, and Walworth Counties . . . . .	Dec. 1-Jan. 1.
In Chippewa, Columbia, Dane, Dodge, Fond du Lac, Green, Green Lake, Kosciusko, Jefferson, Lafayette, Lincoln, Marathon, Marquette, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Portage, Sauk, Taylor, Washington, Waushara, Wood Counties, and in the towns of Plainfield, Hancock, Coloma, Oasis, Deerfield, Richford, Rose, Wautoma and Dakota, and Fish Lake in the towns of Marion and Mount Morris in Waushara County . . . . .	No open season.



Mink:

- In Adams, Ashland, Barron, Bayfield, Brown, Burnett, Calumet, Clark, Door, Douglas, Dunn, Eau Claire, Florence, Forest, Iron, Jackson, Juneau, Kewaunee, Langlade, Manitowoc, Marinette, Monroe, Oconto, Oneida, Outagamie, Pierce, Polk, Price, Rusk, St.Creix, Sawyer, Shawano, Sheboygan, Taylor, Vilas, Washburn, Waupaca, Waushara in the towns of Springwater, Saxeville, Leon, Warren, Bloomfield, Poy Sippi, Aurora, Mount Morris, and Marion (except Fish Lake in the towns of Marion and Mount Morris, and Winnobago Counties . . . . . Nov. 1-Dec.15.
- In Buffalo, Crawford, Grant, Iowa, LaCrosse, Pepin, Racine, Richland, Rock, Trempealeau, Vernon, and Walworth Counties. . Dec. 1-Jan. 1.
- In rest of State . . . . . No open season

Otter:

- In Adams, Florence, Forest, Iron, Juneau, Marinette, Oconto, Oneida, Outagamie, Polk, Rusk, Sawyer, Shawano, Vilas, Washburn, Waupaca Counties, and the towns of Springwater, Saxeville, Leon, Warren, Bloomfield, Poy Sippi, Aurora, Mount Morris, and Marion (except Fish Lake in Marion and Mount Morris) in Waushara County . . . . . Nov. 1-Dec.15.
- In rest of State . . . . . No open season.

Beaver:

- In Ashland, Bayfield, Buffalo, Burnett, Clark, Dunn, Eau Claire, Florence, Forest, Iron, Jackson, Langlade, Oconto, Oneida, Pepin, Polk, Sawyer, Vilas and Washburn Counties . . Mar. 1-Mar.31.
- In rest of State . . . . . No open season.

Skunk:

- Ashland, Barron, Bayfield, Brown, Buffalo, Burnett, Calumet, Chippewa, Columbia, Dane, Dodge, Door, Douglas, Dunn, Florence, Fond du Lac, Forest, Green, Green Lake, Iron, Jefferson, Kenosha, Kewaunee, Lafayette, Langlade, Lincoln, Manitowoc, Marinette, Marquette, Oconto, Oneida, Outagamie, Ozaukee, Pepin, Pierce, Polk, Price, Racine, Rock, Rusk, St.Creix, Sauk, Sawyer, Shawano, Sheboygan, Trempealeau, Vilas, Walworth, Washburn, Washington, Waukesha, Waupaca, Waushara, and Winnobago Counties, (season opens at 1 p.m.) . . . . . Oct.26-Dec. 5.
- In Adams, Clark, Crawford, Eau Claire, Grant, Iowa, Jackson, Juneau, LaCrosse, Marathon, Monroe, Portage, Richland, Vernon, and Wood Counties (opens at 1 p.m.) . . . . . Oct.26-Feb. 1.
- In Milwaukee and Taylor Counties . . . . . No open season.

Gray raccoon:

- In Adams, Brown, Buffalo, Burnett, 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, Marinette, Marquette, Monroe, Oconto, Outagamie, Ozaukee, Pepin, Pierce, Polk, Portage, Racine, Richland, Rock, St.Creix, Sauk, Sawyer, Shawano, Sheboygan, Trempealeau, Vernon, Walworth, Washburn, Washington, Waukesha, Waupaca, Waushara, and Wood Counties (opens at 1 p.m.) . . Oct.26-Dec. 5.
- In rest of State . . . . . No open season.

Red fox:

- In Adams, Bayfield, Brown, Burnett, Calumet, Crawford, Dodge, Fond du Lac, Forest, Iowa, LaCrosse, Marinette, Monroe, Oconto, Ozaukee, Portage, Richland, St. Croix, Sauk, Washington, and Waushara Counties . . . . . No close season.
- In Ashland, Barron, Buffalo, Chippewa, Clark, Columbia, Dane, Deer, Douglas, Dunn, Eau Claire, Florence, Grant, Green, Green Lake, Iron, Jackson, Jefferson, Juneau, Kenosha, Kewaunee, Lafayette, Lincoln, Manitowish, Marathon, Marquette, Oneida, Outagamie, Pepin, Pierce, Polk, Price, Racine, Rock, Rusk, Sawyer, Shawano, Sheboygan, Trempealeau, Vernon, Vilas, Walworth, Washburn, Waukesha, Waupaca and Wood Counties . . . . . Nov. 2-Mar. 1.
- In Langlade, Milwaukee, Taylor, and Winnebago Counties . . . . . No open season.
- Marten, fisher, silver fox, silver black fox, black or blue fox, black raccoon . . . . . No open season.

NOTE: Skunks may not be hunted with dogs December 6 to February 1.

Certain areas in a number of counties have been designated as closed areas on which the taking of wild animals has been prohibited, information concerning the location of which may be obtained from the Conservation Commission at Madison.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Beaver skins legally taken must be tagged (fee \$1) before they can be legally possessed or transported. Muskrats or muskrat pelts taken during the period Jan. 1 to Mar. 15, 1941, in the counties of Waupaca and Winnebago, and in the towns of Springwater, Saxeville, Leon, Warren, Bloomfield, Poy Sippi, Aurora, Mount Morris, and Marion (except Fish Lake in Mount Morris and Marion) in Waushara County, must be presented by trapper to conservation warden in county where trapped, for inspection, tagging or stamping before such pelts can legally be sold or transported beyond the limits of such county. All muskrats or muskrat pelts taken or possessed in above counties prior to Jan. 1, 1941, must be presented for inspection, tagging or stamping by Jan. 5, 1941, before they can be legally sold or transported from said counties. Possession of the green pelts of other fur animals permitted during open season and 5 days thereafter, but no person shall have in his possession or under his control the skin of any fisher, marten, mink, or muskrat that shows that the animal has been shot or speared.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins legally taken, except as to beavers and muskrats as above stated. Packages in which shipments are made must show contents, name and address of shipper, and his license number.

LICENSES: Resident, \$1. Special beaver license, \$2.50. Nonresident not permitted to trap. Licensee must, on or before June 1 of each year, report the number and value of each variety of animal trapped during the previous twelve months ending May 1. Fur dealer: Resident, Class A, \$25; Class B, \$10; Class C, \$1. Fur dresser, \$25; Itinerant buyer, \$200.

WYOMING

Open seasons

Beaver, fisher marten, mink, fox . . . . . No open season.  
Bobcat, lynx, wolf, lion, coyote, skunk, badger,  
civet, weasel, raccoon . . . . . 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, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restriction on skins legally taken, except that nonresident buyers must obtain permit to ship beaver skins out of State.

LICENSES: Resident, \$1; nonresident, \$25. Fur dealer: Resident, \$10; nonresident, \$20.

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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 . . . . .	Nov.15-Feb.28.
Muskrat - North of right bank of Athabaska River (going down stream) to Fort McMurray, and north of left bank of Clearwater River (going down stream) as far as the Saskatchewan line . . . . .	Mar. 1-May 10.
South of right bank of Athabaska River (going down stream) to Fort McMurray, and south of left bank of Clearwater River (going down stream) as far as Saskatchewan boundary, and south to center of track of main line of Canadian Pacific Railway through Duthil, Calgary, Strathmore, Medicine Hat, and Walsh . . . . .	Mar. 1-Apr.26.
In rest of Province . . . . .	SEE NOTE.
Lynx . . . . .	Dec. 2-Mar.15.

NOTE: In that part of the Province south of center of main track of the Canadian Pacific Railway through Duthil, Calgary, Strathmore, Medicine Hat, and Walsh, muskrat may be taken only by persons holding a special permit, and then only during the time and place specified in the permit.

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 Edmonton.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Export of furs 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 furs prohibited.

LICENSES: Resident, \$2; Forest Reserve trapping, .25; resident of forest reserve to keep traps, .1; each registered trapline north of Township No. 96, \$10; special beaver or muskrat permit, \$1 each. A person occupying a quarter section of land or more as owner, lessee, or homesteader may trap without a license upon his own land during the open season. Nonresident not permitted to trap.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Open seasons

Eastern District:

Bear (except white or Kermadec 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 Eastern District . . . . . Nov. 1-Feb.28.  
Western District:  
 All fur animals (see exceptions) . . . . . Dec. 1-Mar.15.

Exceptions:

Sea otter . . . . . No open season  
 Beaver, muskrat, otter, on Vancouver and Queen Charlotte Islands . . . . . No open season.  
 Beaver, muskrat, otter, in Lillooet Electoral District, east of a line running north and south of Alta Lake Railway station on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, including the watershed of Upper Lillooet River . . . . . Dec. 1-Apr.30.  
 Bear (except white or Kermadec bear - hunting only - may not be trapped) . . . . . Sept.7-June 30.

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 rest of Province.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Bear (except white or Kermadec bear) may be sold in Eastern District Sept. 1-June 30, and in Western District Sept.16-June 30. Unlawful to sell pelts of fur animals taken in close season, or to possess unprime pelts. Possession of pelts legally taken permitted during open season and two months thereafter (three months north of 53d 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 labeled 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.

LICENSES: Communicate with Game Commission, 540 Howe Street, Vancouver.

MARTEN

Open seasons

North of 53d Parallel:

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

South of 53d Parallel:

Fisher, mink . . . . .	Nov. 1-Feb.28.
Marten, badger . . . . .	Nov. 1-Jan.31.
Beaver, otter, raccoon, (see exception). . . . .	No open season.
<u>Exception:</u> 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.
<u>Exception:</u> South of 53d Parallel east of Lake Winnipeg and Bloodvein River . . . . .	
Fox, lynx . . . . .	Apr. 1-May 10.
	Nov. 1-Jan.31.

POSSESSION AND SALE: Possession of uprime skins prohibited. Unlawful to purchase or sell skins of muskrats that have been speared or shot. Persons acquiring skins 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 skins of all fur animals prohibited unless shipment is accompanied by permit and has attached a declaration of number and kind of skins contained. No other restrictions on skins legally taken.

LICENSES: Resident, \$2; nonresident (British subject), \$100. Fur dealer: Resident, \$10; travelling agent of Fur Dealer, \$10.

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:</u> In Carleton, Gloucester, Kent, Madawaska, Northumberland, Restigouche, and Victoria Counties . . . . .	
In Grand Manan . . . . .	Apr. 1-May 25.
Rabbit . . . . .	No open season.
	Sept.15-Feb.28.
Beaver . . . . .	No open season.
Other fur animals . . . . .	No close season.

POSSESSION AND SALE -- Of furs in which royalties have not been paid prohibited.

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

LICENSES: Not required of bona fide resident, provided his furs are sold in Province; if sold outside of Province, fur dealers license (fee 10) required. Consult Chief Game Warden, Fredericton, relative to nonresident license. Fur dealer: Resident, \$10; nonresident, \$50.



NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

Open seasons

Mink, fisher, lynx . . . . .	Nov. 1-Mar.31.
Marten . . . . .	Nov. 1-Feb.28.
Beaver . . . . .	Mar. 1-May 31.
Otter, north of Arctic Circle . . . . .	Nov. 1-May 15.
south of Arctic Circle . . . . .	Nov. 1-Apr.30.
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-Feb.28.
Fox (Arctic, blue and white), north of timberline . . . . .	Nov.15-Mar.31.
South of timberline . . . . .	Nov. 1-Feb.28.
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 any male over 18 years of age who is the holder of a hunting and trapping license, 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 hides. Pelts may be sold under regulation to licensed trader.

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

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

LICENSES: Issuance of trapping licenses is restricted to residents who, on May 3, 1938, held hunting and trapping licenses, and who continue to reside in the Territories, and the children of those who have had their domicile in the Territories for the past four years -- Fee \$2.

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 the green hide of beaver, marten, or fisher, 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.

LICENSES: Not required of resident trapper; nonresident, \$50. Fur buyer: Resident, \$25; nonresident, \$100.

### ONTARIO

#### Open seasons

Mink, fisher, marten, otter, fox . . . . .	Nov. 1-Feb.28.
Raccoon . . . . .	Nov. 1-Dec.31.
Muskrat -- Seasons to be fixed by regulation of Game and Fisheries Department, Toronto.	
Beaver . . . . .	No open season.
Bear, lynx, skunk, weasel, wolf, wolverine . . . . .	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 upon payment of royalties. Shipments must be made by express or parcel post and packages must be marked to show name and address of consignor and consignee, and contents.

LICENSES: Resident, British subject only, \$4.50 and 50¢ to issuing officer. Not issued to nonresidents. Fur dealers: Resident, British subject "Store License", \$25; resident, British subject, travelling buyer, \$100; resident, not British subject, and nonresident travelling fur buyer, \$200; resident British subject, wholesale license, \$100; nonresident, wholesale buyers from holders of wholesale license, \$5; resident British subject, buying for own use, \$1.

### PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

#### Open seasons

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

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Possession and sale prohibited during close season. Holders of permits may possess, buy, sell, and transport beaver skins that have proper tags attached. No restrictions on shipment or export of skins lawfully taken.

LICENSES: Consult Game Inspector, Charlottetown.

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 royalties have been paid.

SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: Prohibited, except of fur animals or furs on which royalties have 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.

LICENSES: Resident, \$2. Nonresident not permitted to trap.

SASKATCHEWAN

Open seasons

Beaver, fisher, marten, muskrat, raccoon, badger . . . . .	No open season.
Fox . . . . .	Nov. 1-Jan.31.
Otter . . . . .	Nov. 1-Apr.30.
Mink . . . . .	Nov. 1-Apr.15.
Weasel . . . . .	Nov. 1-Feb.28.
Skunk . . . . .	Oct.21-Mar.31.
Lynx . . . . .	Dec. 2-Feb.28.
Red Squirrel, in Provincial Constituencies of Athabasca and Cumberland only . . . . .	Dec. 2-Dec.31.
Coyote (see exception) . . . . .	Nov. 1-Mar.15.

Exception: South of northern boundary of Township 55, except in local improvement districts of rural communities where a closed season has been ordered . . . . . No close season.

Timber wolf, bear, wolverine, rabbit . . . . . No close season.

NOTE: In Rural Municipalities of Monet and Fairview the season on coyote has been closed March 1 to October 31.

POSSESSION AND SALE, SHIPMENT AND EXPORT: No restrictions on skins lawfully taken except that licensed trappers are required to return their licenses within 30 days after close of season with affidavit showing number of skins taken and such other information as Minister may require. Fur dealers required to obtain permit to possess furs during close season. No restrictions on shipment or export of skins lawfully taken and on which royalties have been paid except that permit is required for exportation of fur animals or skins.

LICENSES: Consult Game Commissioner, Regina. Nonresidents not permitted to trap.



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, except that the export of raw furs is 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, and in such use the game laws and regulations must be complied with.



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: The seasons given are those for 1939. Since no information has been received from the Newfoundland authorities as to open seasons and other provisions of the trapping laws for 1940, inquiry should be made of the Commissioner for Natural Resources, at St. Johns.

