

**Vermont Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Dates  
2009 Season (All Dates Inclusive)\***

**Fishing**

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| Trout & Landlocked Salmon.....                                                     | April 11 – Oct. 31                                                  |
| Trout & Landlocked Salmon (Lake Champlain).....                                    | No Closed Season                                                    |
| Largemouth & Smallmouth Bass.....                                                  | June 13 – Nov. 30                                                   |
| Catch & Release – Lakes and Ponds.....                                             | April 11 – June 12                                                  |
| Pickereel, N. Pike, Yellow Perch.....                                              | No Closed Season                                                    |
| Walleye (all waters except Chittenden Reservoir and the Connecticut River. ) ..... | May 3, 2008 – March 15, 2009 &<br>.....May 2, 2009 – March 15, 2010 |
| Walleye (Chittenden reservoir and Connecticut River).....                          | See Guide to Laws                                                   |
| Smelt.....                                                                         | No Closed Season                                                    |
| Free Fishing Day .....                                                             | June 13, 2009                                                       |

**Big Game Hunting**

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| Deer (Bow & Arrow).....                                                                                     | Oct. 3 – Oct. 25 &<br>.....Dec. 5 – Dec. 13       |
| Youth Deer Weekend.....                                                                                     | Nov. 7 – Nov. 8                                   |
| Deer (16 Day Regular Season).....                                                                           | Nov. 14 – Nov. 29                                 |
| Deer (Muzzleloader).....                                                                                    | Dec. 5 – Dec. 13                                  |
| Black Bear.....                                                                                             | Sept. 1 – Nov. 18                                 |
| Moose.....                                                                                                  | Oct. 17-22 either sex / Oct. 24-Nov. 1 antlerless |
| Youth Turkey Weekend.....                                                                                   | April 25 – April 26                               |
| Turkey Spring Season.....                                                                                   | Spring May 1 – May 31                             |
| Turkey Fall Seasons                                                                                         |                                                   |
| Bow & arrow only: October 3-23 in WMUs F1, F2, G, H1, H2, I, J1, J2, K1, K2, L, M1, M2, N, O1, O2, P, and Q |                                                   |
| Bow & arrow only: October 24-30 in WMU H1                                                                   |                                                   |
| Shotgun or bow & arrow: October 24-30 in WMUs G, H2, I, J1, J2, L, M1, M2, O1, O2, P, and Q                 |                                                   |
| Shotgun or bow & arrow: October 24-November 8 in WMUs F1, F2, K1, K2, and N                                 |                                                   |

**Small Game Hunting**

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| Hare, Rabbit.....              | Sept. 27, 2008 – March 8, 2009 &<br>.....Sept. 26, 2009 – March 14, 2010 |
| Gray Squirrel.....             | Sept. 1 – Dec. 31                                                        |
| Ruffed Grouse (Partridge)..... | Sept. 26 – Dec. 31                                                       |
| Woodcock.....                  | Oct. 8- Nov. 6                                                           |
| Crow.....                      | March 14 – April 30 & August 16 – October 29                             |

**Furbearer Hunting**

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| Bobcat.....         | Jan. 10 – Feb. 7                                                     |
| Red & Gray Fox..... | Oct. 25, 2008 – Feb. 8, 2009 &<br>.....Oct. 24, 2009 – Feb. 14, 2010 |
| Raccoon.....        | Oct. 10 – Dec. 31                                                    |
| Muskrat.....        | March 20 – April 19                                                  |
| Coyote.....         | No Closed Season                                                     |

**Furbearer Trapping**

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| Mink, Skunk, Red & Gray Fox, Raccoon, Coyote..... | Oct. 24 – Dec. 31                                                                 |
| Otter.....                                        | October 25, 2008 – February 28, 2009<br>.....October 24, 2009 – February 28, 2010 |
| Muskrat.....                                      | October 25, 2008 – March 31, 2009<br>.....October 24, 2009 – March 31, 2010       |
| Fisher.....                                       | Dec.1-31                                                                          |
| Bobcat.....                                       | Dec. 1 – 16                                                                       |
| Beaver.....                                       | November 1 – March 31                                                             |
| Marten, Lynx, Wolf .....                          | No Open Season                                                                    |

\*These are general season dates. Read the Guide to Hunting, Fishing & Trapping Laws for more information and exceptions, and 2009 Syllabus of State and Federal Hunting Regulation for Migratory Birds in Vermont for waterfowl season dates.