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FISH AND GAME CODE [regulations for 1958 hunting season]  
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Following the public hearing held at the State House, Trenton, on August 12, 1958, the Fish and Game Council of the Department of Conservation and Economic Development, adopted the following regulations for the 1958 hunting season. These regulations are known as the Fish and Game Code and supersede the statute laws insofar as these items are concerned. Code regulations are effective until amended or repealed.

Male English or Ringneck Pheasant

- 23:4-1 Duration: November 8 - December 6, inclusive
- 23:4-2 Daily bag limit: 2 male pheasants  
Season limit: 10 male pheasants
- 23:4-1 Hunting hours: On November 8, 9:00 AM., EST, to 1/2 hr. after sunset.  
Other days, 1/2 hr. before sunrise to 1/2 hr. after sunset.
- 23:4-8 Hen pheasants: Unlawful to possess, take or attempt to take female pheasants.

Jack Rabbit, Rabbit

- 23:4-1 Duration: November 8 - December 6, inclusive  
December 15 - December 31, inclusive; except December 20.
- 23:4-2 Daily bag limit: 1 Jack Rabbit or hare, 4 rabbits
- 23:4-1 Hunting hours: On November 8, 9:00 AM., EST, to 1/2 hr. after sunset.  
Other days, 1/2 hr. before sunrise to 1/2 hr. after sunset.

Ruffed Grouse, Squirrel, Quail

- 23:4-1 Duration: November 8 - December 6, inclusive  
December 15 - January 15, inclusive, except December 20.
- 23:4-2 Daily bag limit: 3 grouse, 6 squirrels, 7 quail. No season limits.
- 23:4-1 Hunting hours: November 8, 9:00 A.M., EST, to 1/2 hr. after sunset.  
Other days, 1/2 hr. before sunrise to 1/2 hr. after sunset.

Upland Hunting-On State Public Shooting and Fishing Grounds

- 23:4-1 Hunting hours: November 8, 9:00 A.M., EST, to 1/2 hr. after sunset.  
November 10 through December 6 and  
December 15 - December 31, 7:30 AM., EST, to 1/2 hr. after sunset.  
January 1 - January 15, 1/2 hr. before sunrise to 1/2 hr. after sunset.

23:4-12 Possession of a loaded gun shall be considered evidence of hunting.

Wild Turkey

- 23:4-1 It shall be illegal to possess, take, kill or attempt to kill a wild turkey at any time.



Deer - Bow and Arrow, exclusively (either sex)

23:4-43 Duration: October 11 - November 7, inclusive.

23:4-42 Bag limit: One deer of either sex.

23:4-45 Hunting hours: 1/2 hr. before sunrise to 1/2 hr. after sunset.

Deer - Firearms or Bow and Arrow (antlered only)

23:4-42 Duration: December 8 - December 13, inclusive

23:4-42 Bag limit: One deer with antler at least three inches in length.  
and

23:4-48 One antlered deer. A person who has legally taken a deer during the special bow and arrow season, can legally take an antlered deer with a shotgun during the interval of December 8 to December 13, inclusive, if he possesses a valid firearm license.

23:4-45 Hunting hours: December 8 - December 13, inclusive, 7:00 A.M., EST, to 5:00 P.M., EST, with gun or bow and arrow.

Deer - Firearms or Bow and Arrow (either sex)

23:4-42 Duration: December 20.

and (There shall be a closed season on all species other than  
23:4-43 deer, except ducks may be hunted in tidal waters on this day.)

23:4-42 Bag limit: One deer of either sex, any age.

and  
23:4-48

Only one deer per license is permitted for the year. No person may take more than one deer with a bow and one deer with a firearm, when properly licensed, during the entire year.

23:4-45 Hunting hours: December 20, 7:00 A.M., EST, to 5:00 P.M., EST, with gun or bow and arrow.

Bear - Firearms or Bow and Arrow.

23:4-1 Duration: December 8 - December 13, inclusive

23:4-1 Bag limit: One bear a season

23:4-45 Hunting hours: 7:00 AM, EST, to 5:00 P.M., EST.

Beaver Trapping

23:4-55 Duration: February 1 - February 15, inclusive

23:4-55 Season limit: 3 beaver

23:4-55 Permits: 100 permits at \$5.00 each will be issued. If more than 100 applications are received, the permits will be issued by draw.

23:4-55 Tagging: All beaver trapped must be tagged by Conservation Officer of County in which beaver is possessed.

Mink, Muskrat, Otter (trapping only)

23:4-39 Duration: 6:00 P.M. on November 30 to March 15, inclusive.  
On State Public Shooting and Fishing Grounds: 6:00 A.M. on  
January 1 to March 15, inclusive.

23:4-39 No cage trap, metal box trap or diving trap shall be permitted on any of the State Public Shooting and Fishing Grounds, and no trap of any kind shall be set anywhere on any of the State Public Shooting and Fishing Grounds unless it bears a metal tag inscribed with the name and address of the owner of the trap. No trap of any kind shall be permitted to remain set on any property at the close of the trapping season.

23:3-4 Regular firearm hunting license is required to trap furbearing animals.

Raccoon Trapping

23:4-12 Method: The trapping of raccoon shall be permitted as a fur-bearing animal, under a regular firearm hunting license.  
and  
23:4-39

23:4-1 Duration: 6:00 P.M. on November 30 to March 15, inclusive.

No trapping of raccoon will be permitted on State Public Shooting and Fishing Grounds.

Raccoon may be trapped at any time of year under special permit when causing damage.

23:4-2 Bag limit: No daily bag limit. No season limit.

Raccoon Hunting

23:4-1 Duration: Sunset on October 1 to March 14, inclusive.

23:4-45 Hunting hours: Between sunset and sunrise only. Cannot hunt raccoon during the firearm deer season.

23:4-25 Dog training: There will be no raccoon dog training season prior to the opening of the raccoon hunting season.

23:4-2 Bag limit: No daily bag limit. No season limit.

Woodchuck

23:4-1 Duration: April 1 - October 10, inclusive. Properly licensed hunters may take woodchuck during upland season with shotgun or bow and arrow.

23:4-45 Hunting hours: 1/2 hr. before sunrise to 1/2 hr. after sunset.

23:4-1 Bag limit: No limit.

Fox

23:4-45 Duration: November 8 - April 30, inclusive. Cannot hunt fox on December 20.

23:4-45 Hunting hours: 9:00 A.M., November 8, to 1/2 hr. after sunset. Other than opening day, 1/2 hr. before sunrise to 1/2 hr. after sunset; except on State Public Shooting and Fishing Grounds where upland hunting hours apply.

23:4-25 May be trapped at any time of year when destroying poultry, crops or property.

Squirrel

23:4-1 Property owners, or their designated agents and occupants of dwellings  
and that are suffering damage from squirrels, may control these animals by  
23:4-9 any method and at any time, subject to local firearm ordinances, in the  
following counties and municipalities:

Bergen - All of the county.

Essex - All of the county.

Hudson - All of the county.

Union - All of the county.

Morris - Only Madison, Chatham, Florham Park, Dover, Morristown and  
Morris Plains.

Passaic - Only Clifton, Passaic, Paterson, Township of Little Falls,  
and Boroughs of West Paterson, Pompton Lakes, Prospect Park,  
Haledon, Hawthorne, and North Haledon.

Camden - Only Boroughs of Audubon, Barrington, Bellmawr, Brooklawn,  
Collingswood and Haddonfield, and Audubon Village, Gloucester  
City, Haddon Heights, Merchantville, Mt. Ephraim, Oaklyn,  
Runnemede, Woodlynne, Camden City, and Haddon Township.

Monmouth - East of Route #35 from Keyport to Manasquan.

FIREARMS AND MISSILES, etc.

23:4-44 Illegal for any hunter to have in his possession in woods, fields, marsh-  
land or on the water, any shell or cartridge with missiles of any kind  
larger than No. 4 fine shot except during the firearm deer hunting season.

23:4-44 At all times it shall be illegal to have in possession any buckshot which  
is strung, waxed, cut or joined in any manner.

23:4-13 Illegal to use in hunting fowl or animals of any kind, any shotgun capable  
of holding more than three cartridges at one time, or that may be fired  
more than thrice without reloading.

23:4-44 From December 8 to December 13, inclusive, and on December 20, it shall be  
illegal to use any rifle or firearm of any kind of a smaller caliber than  
12 gauge or to have in possession any firearm missile except buckshot, or  
to hunt between 5:00 P.M. and 7:00 A.M., or to hunt deer with a dog.  
(This does not preclude a person engaged in duck hunting only from being  
possessed solely of shotgun and nothing larger than No. 4 fine shot.)

23:4-1 Illegal to hunt, hunt for, or attempt to capture, kill, injure or destroy  
game birds or animals except at the time and in the manner provided by  
fish and game regulations.

23:4-18 The prohibition against shooting waterfowl or placing a boat or other  
and structure at a greater distance than one hundred feet from shore shall  
23:4-19 not apply in Raritan and Sandy Hook Bays. (Sinkbox prohibited by  
U. S. regulations.)

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23:4-45 At all times it shall be illegal to use a bow and arrow for hunting  
and between 1/2 hour after sunset and 1/2 hour before sunrise.

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23:4-44 During the bow and arrow seasons for taking deer, October 11 to Nov. 7,  
December 8 to December 13, and on December 20, all arrows carried in the  
woods and fields must be fitted with an edged head of the following  
specifications:

Minimum width shall be 3/4" -- Maximum, 1-1/2"

Minimum length shall be 1-1/2" on main cutting edge.

Cutting edges shall be of well-sharpened metal only.

The bow must have a minimum draw pull weight of 35 pounds, and cast a  
legal hunting arrow 125 yards to a point of similar elevation.

23:4-16 It is illegal at all times to discharge an arrow from or across a state  
or county highway or roadway, or within 300 feet of any occupied  
dwelling, except with permission of the owner or lessee.

It is illegal to use a bow and arrow from any vehicle, moving or  
stationary.