

2008-2009 BIG GAME HUNTING SEASON DATES

Northern Zone

Deer

Bowhunting Season	Sept. 27 - Oct. 17*
Muzzleloading Season	Oct. 11 - Oct. 17
	Dec. 8 - Dec. 14 (certain WMUs)
Regular Season	Oct. 18 - Dec. 7

Bear

Early Season	Sept. 13 - Oct. 10*
Bowhunting Season	Sept. 27 - Oct. 17*
Muzzleloading Season	Oct. 11 - Oct. 17
Regular Season	Oct. 18 - Dec. 7

Southern Zone

Deer

Bowhunting Season	Oct. 18 - Nov. 14, Dec. 8 - Dec. 16
Regular Season	Nov. 15 - Dec. 7
Muzzleloading Season	Dec. 8 - Dec. 16

Suffolk County - Deer

Regular Season (bowhunting only, deer of either sex)	Oct. 1 - Dec. 31
Special Shotgun and muzzleloader (special permit)**	Jan. 5 - Jan. 30, 2009

Westchester County - Deer

Regular Season (bowhunting only, deer of either sex)	Oct. 18 - Dec. 31
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Bear

Allegheny Range

Bowhunting Season	Oct. 18 - Nov. 14, Dec. 8 - Dec. 16
Regular Season	Nov. 22 - Dec. 7
Muzzleloading Season	Dec. 8 - Dec. 16

Catskill Range

Bowhunting Season	Oct. 18 - Nov. 14, Dec. 8 - Dec. 16
Regular Season	Nov. 15 - Dec. 7
Muzzleloading Season	Dec. 8 - Dec. 16

* 2007-08 hunting licenses and tags are required when hunting prior to October 1, 2008.

** The Special Deer Season in parts of Suffolk County is open for deer of either sex, Monday thru Friday only, using shotgun and muzzleloader, and requires a special landowner endorsement and Town permit.