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Summary of the Game and Fisheries Act and Regulations

(SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

OPEN SEASONS

Deer and Moose :

(a) North of the main line of the Canadian National Railway, formerly the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, from the Quebec boundary to the Manitoba boundary, from September 15th to November 25th, inclusive.

(b) North of the Mattawa River, Lake Nipissing and the French River (to Bigwood), the line of the Canadian Pacific Railway from Bigwood to the north boundary of Morse Township, the north boundary of Morse and Dennie Townships, the boundary between Sudbury and Algoma Districts to Block 24, Range 15, and the south boundary of Blocks 24 to 29, Range 15, to Lake Superior, and south of the main line of the Canadian National Railway, from October 15th to November 25th, inclusive.

(c) Parts of the Districts of Sudbury, Algoma and Manitoulin lying south of area described in division (b), and north of the French River, from November 1st to November 25th, inclusive; except St. Joseph's Island and Manitoulin Island, from November 10th to November 25th, inclusive.

(cc) South of the French and Mattawa Rivers (except southwestern and certain eastern counties), from November 5th to November 20th, inclusive. (NOTE: In this section taking of moose is prohibited.)

Caribou and Wapiti (North American Elk) :

No open season.

Wild Geese (except Brant), Wild Ducks and Wilson Snipe:

(a) North and west of the south boundary of Bruce and Grey Counties, and Nottawasaga, Sunnidale and Vespra Townships, the south shore of Lake Simcoe, the north and east boundaries of Brock Township, King's Highway No. 7, from the east boundary of Ontario County to the east boundary of Frontenac County, the west boundary of Lanark County to Rideau Lake, the north shore of Rideau Lake and Rideau River to the east boundary of Grenville County, and the north boundary of Dundas, Stormont and Glengarry Counties, from September 15th to November 15th, inclusive.

(b) South of the dividing line specified in clause (a) from October 1st to November 30th, inclusive, except that in the Counties of Essex and Kent, the open season for wild geese shall be from October 15th to December 15th.

NOTE: The taking of wood duck is prohibited at all times. Eider duck may be taken north of the main line of the Canadian National Railway from the Quebec boundary to the Manitoba boundary from September 15th to November 15th, inclusive.

Woodcock :

From September 15th to November 30th, inclusive. Ruffed Grouse, Canada Grouse, Sharp-tailed Grouse, Prairie Hen, Hungarian Partridge, Ptarmigan, Pheasant, Quail, Wild Turkey, Mourning Doves, Black and Grey Squirrels.

No open season except by Order-in-Council as and where conditions may warrant.

Beaver :

No open season. (The trapping of Beaver in Ontario is forbidden to all persons.)

Fisher, Fox, Marten, Mink and Otter :

From November 1st to February 28th, inclusive.

Raccoon :

From November 1st to December 31st, inclusive.

Muskrat :

(a) North of the French and Mattawa Rivers from April 1st to May 21st.

(b) South of the French and Mattawa Rivers from March 25th to April 15th, inclusive; except Brant, Elgin, Essex, Haldimand, Kent, Lambton, Lincoln, Middlesex, Norfolk, Oxford, Welland and Wentworth Counties, from March 20th to April 10th, inclusive; and districts of Haliburton, Muskoka, Nipissing (south of Mattawa River), Parry Sound and Renfrew County, from April 1st to April 21st, inclusive.

Bear, Rabbit, Weasel, Lynx, Skunk:

No close season.

Maskinonge and Black Bass:

From July 1st to October 15th, inclusive; except

(a) River St. Clair, Lake St. Clair, Detroit River and Lake Erie fronting all Counties east of but not including Essex County, from June 25th to December 15, inclusive; and

(b) Lake Erie, fronting Essex County, from July 10th to May 24th, next following, inclusive.

Speckled Trout, Brown Trout and Aurora Trout:

(a) North of and including the French and Mattawa Rivers and Lake Nipissing, from May 1st to September 15th, inclusive; and

(b) South of and not including the French and Mattawa Rivers and Lake Nipissing, from May 1st to August 31st, inclusive.

Rainbow Trout:

From June 1st to September 15th, inclusive.

Lake Trout:

No close season in Lake Nipigon, Great Lakes, Georgian Bay, North Channel, Bay of Quinte and River St. Lawrence.

Inland Waters:

(a) South of and excluding the French and Mattawa Rivers and Lake Nipissing from November 16th to October 14th next following, inclusive.

(b) North and west of and including the French and Mattawa Rivers and Lake Nipissing, from November 1st to October 4th next following, inclusive; except districts of Rainy River, Kenora, Thunder Bay, Patricia and Cochrane, from October 21st to September 24th next following, inclusive. (NOTE—No close season in north division in respect to Lake Trout taken by angling.)

Yellow Pickerel and Pike:

No close season in Great Lakes, Georgian Bay, North Channel and their intervening international connecting waters and River St. Lawrence.

Inland Waters:

(a) South of and including the French and Mattawa Rivers and Lake Nipissing from May 16th to March 31st next following, inclusive.

(b) North and west of and excluding the French and Mattawa Rivers and Lake Nipissing from May 16th to April 14th next following, inclusive, except Rainy River and Kenora Districts, from June 1st to April 14th, next following, inclusive. (NOTE: In this section there is no close season for pike.)

LIMITS OF CATCH

Wild Ducks:	{ 12 per day, 150 per season. Not required that Mergansers (sawbills) be included in these limits.
Wild Geese:	{ 5 per day, 50 per season.
Wilson Snipe:	{ 25 per day.
Woodcock:	{ 8 per day, 125 per season.
Black Bass:	{ 6 per day, not less than 10 inches in length.
Maskinonge:	{ 2 per day, regardless of length.
Yellow Pickerel and Pike:	{ 8 per day, regardless of length.
Lake Trout:	{ 5 per day.
Rainbow Trout:	{ 5 per day, not less than 7 inches in length.
Brown Trout and Aurora Trout:	{ 20 per day in number to be not more than 10 pounds in weight, not less than 7 inches in length.

LICENSE FEES

Resident deer	.....\$ 4.00
Resident (camp) deer	..... 4.00
Farmer's deer (restricted)	..... 1.00
Resident moose	..... 6.00
Resident hunting (gun)	..... 1.00
Guide's	..... 2.00
Resident trapping	..... 5.00
Fur Farming	..... 5.00
Non-resident Hunting:	
Bear, rabbits, birds	.....15.50
Deer, bear, rabbits, birds	.....25.75
Moose, deer, bear, rabbits, birds	.....41.00
Bear, (April and May only)	..... 5.25
Non-resident Angling:	
Individual	..... 5.50
Family	..... 8.00

REGULATIONS

It is Unlawful:

- To employ a Guide unless he is licensed.
- To carry a loaded gun in a motor car or other vehicle.
- To have poison in your possession for taking fur-bearing animals.
- To ship out of Province, or send to a tanner, any pelts without a permit.
- To use the hands or any contrivance whatever other than a fire-arm when ferrets are used in the taking of rabbits.
- (a) To take more than one deer or moose per license.
(b) To take cow moose or moose calf; or to take any doe or fawn deer except as is authorized by this Act.
(c) To kill or molest any deer while such deer is swimming in the waters of any lake or river.
- To keep fur-bearing animals or game birds in captivity without first securing a license.
- To molest or destroy a den or usual place of habitation of any fur-bearing animal, other than wolf, bear and skunk.

9. To buy or sell pelts of fur-bearing animals either commercially or for personal use, before securing a license.
10. (a) To use snares for any purpose in the Counties of Peel, Victoria, Peterborough, Hastings, Lennox, Addington, Frontenac, Leeds, Grenville and Carleton.
- (b) To use snares for any purpose anywhere in the Province during the open season for deer and moose.
- (c) To use traps, nets, snares, baited lines or similar contrivances for taking deer, moose, caribou or protected game birds.
11. To shoot between sunset and sunrise (standard time) or between sunset on Saturday and sunrise on the following Monday (standard time).
12. To shoot or spear muskrat, or set a trap closer than five feet to muskrat house, burrow, feed house or push-up.
13. To permit the flesh of any animal, bird or fish taken, suitable for food, to be destroyed or spoilt, or the pelts of fur-bearing animals to be destroyed or spoilt.
14. For non-residents to hunt moose without licensed guides.
15. To trap fur-bearing animals unless you are a resident British subject, and without first securing a license. (This does not apply to a farmer trapping other than beaver on his own premises, nor to the taking of wolves.)
16. To take any bear except under the authority of a Trapping License or a Hunting License and during the periods of the year in which such licenses are valid.
17. To take any fox except under the authority of a trapping license or a hunting license and only during the open season.
18. (a) To carry or use fire-arms for hunting any bird or animal, except under the authority of a license.
- (b) To carry or use other than a .22 calibre low-powered rifle during the open season for deer or moose in areas which these animals inhabit unless in possession of a license to hunt deer or moose.
19. To be in possession of any wild native (insectivorous) birds, other than hawks, (but not including ospreys and eagles), owls, crows, cowbirds, blackbirds (grackles), starlings and house sparrows.
20. To buy or sell deer, moose, caribou, elk, wild geese, wild ducks or other waterfowl, snipe, quail, woodcock, pheasants, ruffed grouse (partridge), prairie chicken, pinnated grouse and Hungarian partridge.
(NOTE—Except quail and pheasants raised under license.)
21. To conceal or attempt to conceal during transportation, the carcass or any part of the carcass of deer, moose or caribou.
22. (a) To use dogs for the taking or killing of mink, beaver or otter.
- (b) To use any dog for the hunting of fox, without a permit.
- (c) To use any dog for the hunting of deer, moose or caribou, unless such dog is licensed, or in

any manner which is not in accordance with conditions authorized by this Act as to breed and number of dogs which may be used.

- (d) To permit any dog to run at large in areas where deer, moose, or caribou are usually found or which they usually inhabit, during the period of the close season.
23. To take any bull-frog, during the months of June and July.
24. To angle or hunt without a license, if you are a non-resident.
25. For non-residents who bring boats or other vessels into Ontario waters under their own power to angle or permit angling therefrom unless a licensed guide is on board.
26. For anglers who engage guides to include such guides as members of the party when computing limits of catch which they are entitled to take.
27. To take any Small-mouthed or Large-mouthed Black Bass, Maskinonge, Speckled Trout, Brown Trout, Rainbow Trout or Aurora Trout, except by angling.
28. To buy or barter, sell or offer for sale, or export Black Bass, Maskinonge, Speckled Trout, Brown Trout, Rainbow Trout or Aurora Trout, no matter how procured, or to buy or barter, sell or offer for sale, Yellow Pickerel (Pike-perch or Dore), Pike or Lake Trout taken by angling or in any other manner except under license. Non-residents may, on leaving the Province, take the lawful catch of one day's fishing if shipping coupon supplied with angling license is attached to package containing such fish.
29. To fish in the Counties of Victoria, Peterborough, Durham and Northumberland and the waters of the River Trent, Lake Scugog, Crow Lake, Crow River and Beaver Creek in any county during the close season for the taking of bass and maskinonge: except that this does not apply:
 - (a) to the taking of Speckled Trout, Brown Trout or Rainbow Trout during the respective open seasons in waters not inhabited by Black Bass, Maskinonge and Lake Trout.
 - (b) to the taking of any fish, other than Black Bass and Maskinonge, from an anchored boat using other than artificial varieties of bait, from May 16th to June 30th.
30. To buy, sell or be in possession of gill nets without the authority of a license or permit.
31. To use dynamite or other explosive material for the taking of fish.
32. To angle for the purpose of sale or traffic in waters licensed for the express purpose of net fishing, or to angle for any purpose within twenty-five yards of a pound net.
33. To use unbaited hooks for the taking of fish by snagging or grappling, or by gaffing, except in the landing of any fish actually taken in angling operations.
34. To use artificial lights for the taking of fish or frogs by any means.

A copy of the Act and Regulations or further information may be had upon application to—

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