

INDIANA 2017-2018 HUNTING & TRAPPING SEASONS

FURBEARERS	HUNTING DATES
Red and Gray Fox	October 15, 2017 – February 28, 2018
Coyote, Striped Skunk	October 15, 2017 – March 15, 2018
Raccoon, Opossum	November 8, 2017 – January 31, 2018
Dog Running (Raccoon, Opossum)	February 1, 2017 – October 25, 2017 and February 1, 2018 – October 25, 2018

FURBEARERS	TRAPPING DATES
Red and Gray Fox	October 15, 2017 – January 31, 2018
Coyote, Striped Skunk	October 15, 2017 – March 15, 2018
Beaver	November 15, 2017 – March 15, 2018
Mink, Muskrat, Weasel (long-tailed weasel only)	November 15, 2017 – January 31, 2018
Raccoon, Opossum	November 8, 2017 – January 31, 2018
River Otter	November 15, 2017 – March 15, 2018*

- Furbearer hunting & trapping hours:
Hunting/Running – noon of first day to noon of last day. Trapping – 8 a.m. of first day to noon of last day.
- *There is a seasonal bag limit of 2 river otters per person; there are no daily bag or possession limits for the other species named above.
- *See Hunting and Trapping Guide for counties open to river otter trapping. Season may close earlier if statewide quota is reached.

WOODLAND BIG GAME	HUNTING DATES	BAG LIMIT
Wild Turkey		
Youth	April 22 and 23, 2017	1 bearded or male turkey per hunter in youth/spring season
Spring	April 26, 2017 – May 14, 2017	
Fall – Archery *	October 1, 2017 – October 29, 2017 December 9, 2017 – January 7, 2018	1 bird of either sex per hunter each fall
Fall – Firearm *	October 18, 2017 – October 29, 2017	

- Turkey hunting hours: ½ hour before sunrise to sunset.
- * See Hunting and Trapping Guide for counties open to fall turkey hunting. No more than one bird of either sex may be taken in the fall turkey season, regardless of equipment. A separate turkey license is needed for the spring and fall turkey season.

Deer

Reduction Zone*	September 15, 2017 – January 31, 2018	
Youth	September 23 and 24, 2017	<i>See current Hunting & Trapping Guide for Deer Season Bag Limits or visit www.IN.gov/dnr/fishwild</i>
Archery	October 1, 2017 – January 7, 2018	
Firearms	November 18, 2017 – December 3, 2017	
Muzzleloader	December 9, 2017 – December 24, 2017	
Special Antlerless**	December 26, 2017 – January 7, 2018	

- Deer hunting hours: ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset.
- *Deer Reduction Zones, previously called Urban Zones, are in designated locations only.
- **Special Antlerless season only in counties with a bonus antlerless quota of 4 or more (See Hunting and Trapping Guide).
- All harvested deer and turkey must be checked within 48 hours of harvest at an official deer or turkey check station or online at www.wildlife.in.gov

WOODLAND SMALL GAME	HUNTING DATES	DAILY LIMIT*
Gray and Fox Squirrel	August 15, 2017 – January 31, 2018	5
Ruffed Grouse**	Suspended	

UPLAND GAME	HUNTING DATES	DAILY LIMIT*
Pheasant (statewide-cock only)	November 1, 2017 – December 15, 2017	2
Quail (North of Interstate 74)***	November 1, 2017 – December 15, 2017	4
Quail (South of Interstate 74)***	November 1, 2017 – January 10, 2018	8
Rabbit	November 1, 2017 – February 28, 2018	5

MISCELLANEOUS GAME	HUNTING/TRAPPING DATES	DAILY LIMIT*
Crow	July 1, 2017 – August 15, 2017 December 13, 2017 – March 1, 2018	No Limit
Green Frog and Bullfrog	June 15, 2017 – April 30, 2018	25
Eastern Snapping Turtle, Smooth & Spiny Softshell Turtles	July 1, 2017 – March 31, 2018	4****

* The possession limit on pheasants, quail, rabbits, squirrels, frogs, and turtles is two times the daily bag limit.

** Ruffed Grouse season has been suspended.

*** Quail bag limits vary on some DNR properties (see Hunting and Trapping Guide).

*****Limit is singly or in aggregate. These species of turtles must have a carapace length of at least 12 inches.**