

Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission
Proclamation

Statewide Furbearer Hunting and Trapping Seasons and Bag Limits
(Exclusive of Wildlife Management Areas and Refuges)

Pursuant to the authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-4-107 and 70-5-108, the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission hereby proclaims the statewide furbearer hunting and trapping seasons and bag limits effective August 1, 2009.

Section I. Hunting

Species	Opens	Closes	Daily Bag
Groundhog, Coyote, Nutria, Striped Skunk, Beaver	Year-round		No Limit
Fox, Mink, Muskrat, Spotted Skunk, Weasel, River Otter ¹	Friday before Thanksgiving	Last day in February	No Limit
Bobcat	Friday before Thanksgiving	Last day in February	1
Raccoon, Opossum ²			
	Opens	Closes	Daily Bag
Taking Season	Sunset 3 rd Friday in September	Sunrise last day in February	2 per person per night ³
Training Season	Year-round except where regulated by Private Act		No Taking Permitted

¹ All river otters harvested must be tagged by harvester with Tennessee US CITES tags.

² No limit on opossum

³ Night defined as one 24-hour period commencing at sunset.

Section II. Trapping

Species	Opens	Closes	Daily Bag
Groundhog, Coyote, Nutria, Beaver	Year-round		No Limit
Bobcat, Fox, Mink, Muskrat, Opossum, Raccoon, Spotted Skunk, Striped Skunk, Weasel, River Otter ⁴	Friday before Thanksgiving	Last day of February	No Limit

The following counties are included in the statewide fox hunting and trapping seasons, after determining a need for the opening thereof:

Blount	Johnson	Overton
Carter	Knox	Pickett
Clay	Loudon	Putnam
Cocke	Macon	Rhea
Fentress	McMinn	Robertson
Hamblen	Meigs	Sevier
Haywood	Monroe	White
Jefferson		

Section VI. Possession Limits

The possession limit for all species listed herein is twice the daily bag limit except opening day when it shall be the same as the daily bag limit.

⁴ All river otters harvested must be tagged by harvester with Tennessee US CITES tags.

Section VII. Repeal of Prior Proclamation

This proclamation repeals Proclamation No. 07-06, dated May 24, 2007.

Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission

John F. Calum
Chairman

I certify that this is an accurate and complete copy of a proclamation lawfully promulgated and adopted by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission on the 21st day of May, 2009.

Ed Carter
Secretary

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 1 day of June, 2009.



Lisa Crawford
Notary Public

My commission expires: 8-23-11

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Tre Hargett
Tre Hargett, Secretary of State

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