

ARIZONA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT

**2005-2006 HUNT STRUCTURES:
DOVE SEASONS
WATERFOWL SEASONS
SANDHILL CRANE SEASONS
FOR PROVIDING INPUT ON
2006-2007 RECOMMENDATIONS**

December 12, 2005

Hunt Guidelines

Commission Order 19: Dove

General Dove

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 1 - Sep 15, 2005	,3,4,8,9,10,11	North Zone - Management Units 1 through 15C, 16A, 17 through 20A, 23, and 24A	Any Mourning or White-winged Dove
Sep 1 - Sep 15, 2005	1,5,6,7,9,10,11	South Zone - Management Units 15D, 16B, 20B, 20C, 21, 22, and 24B through 46	Any Mourning or White-winged Dove
Nov 18, 2005 - Jan 1, 2006	,4,6,8,9,10,12	Open areas statewide	Any Mourning Dove

LAWFUL TAKING DEVICE: Shotgun, bow and arrow, or crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-304 or by falconry.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Class F, G, or H license plus a Migratory Bird Stamp. Falconers must be licensed pursuant to R12-4-422 or exempted pursuant to R12-4-407.

Juniors-Only Dove

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 3 - Sep 4, 2005	(1,5,7,9,11)	Robbins Butte Wildlife Area	Any Mourning or White-winged Dove
Sep 1 - Sep 15, 2005	4,5,6,8,9,10,11	South Zone - Management Units 15D, 16B, 20B, 20C, 21, 22, and 24B through 46	Any Mourning or White-winged Dove

LAWFUL TAKING DEVICE: Shotgun, bow and arrow, or crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Class F, G, or H license required for participants age 14 through 17; participants under 14 need not be licensed if accompanied by a licensed adult as prescribed in ARS 17-335.

ELIGIBLE HUNTERS: Pursuant to R12-4-318 persons are eligible to participate up to and throughout the calendar year of their 17th birthday.

Falconry-Only Dove

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 12 - Oct 29, 2005	,5,6,9,10,12,1	Open areas statewide	Any Mourning or White-winged Dove

LAWFUL TAKING DEVICE: Falconry as prescribed in R12-4-318 and R12-4-101.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Class F, G, or H license plus a Migratory Bird Stamp. Falconers must be licensed pursuant to R12-4-422 or exempted pursuant to R12-4-407.

HAWKING HOURS: One-half hour before sunrise until sunset.

Notes:

1. BAG LIMIT: Ten (10) Mourning and White-winged Doves per day in the aggregate, of which no more than six (6) may be White-winged Doves. POSSESSION LIMIT: Twenty (20) Mourning and White-winged Doves in the aggregate after opening day, of which no more than twelve (12) may be White-winged Doves. No more than ten (10) doves in the aggregate, of which no more than six (6) may be White-winged Doves, may be taken in any one day.
2. BAG LIMIT: Ten (10) Mourning Doves per day. POSSESSION LIMIT: Twenty (20) Mourning Dove after opening day, of which no more than ten (10) may be taken in any one day.
3. FALCONRY BAG LIMIT: Three (3) per day. Note: The aggregate falconry bag limit of all migratory game birds is three (3), comprised of any combination of migratory game bird species for which a general season, that includes falconry as a legal method of take, or a falconry-only season is open. Falconers should consult Commission Orders 19, 20, 21, and 22 for season dates and open areas. The falconry bag limit is not in addition to the firearms bag limits. FALCONRY POSSESSION LIMIT: Six (6) in the aggregate of all migratory game birds in season (Commission Orders 19 through 22) after opening day, of which no more than three (3) may be taken in any one day.
4. The Bill Williams River, Cibola, Imperial, Buenos Aires, Havasu and San Bernadino National Wildlife Refuges are open to dove hunting EXCEPT for posted portions. A fee may be required for hunting on National Wildlife Refuges, see refuge regulations.

5. Robbins Butte Wildlife Area - EXCEPT as authorized in this Commission order for the September Juniors-Only Dove season, the following area is closed to all taking of wildlife during the September dove season: Beginning at the junction of the Robbins Butte main access road and the road which runs northeasterly from the orange irrigation pump, which lies approximately 1/2 mile west of US Hwy 85; northeasterly 1-1/4 mile along posted fenceline to the southerly edge of the active channel of the Gila River; southwesterly 2-1/2 miles along the southerly edge of the active channel of the river to the south center section line of Section 21; south 1 mile along posted center section line and east edge of dirt road to approximately the center of Section 28 and the intersection of the north edge of a dirt road; east 3/4 mile along posted north edge of road to a cattleguard; north 1/4 mile along posted fenceline to the north edge of Robbins Butte main access road; easterly 1-1/2 miles along the posted north edge of the Robbins Butte main access road to the point of beginning; all in T1S, R4W, Gila and Salt River Base and Meridian, Maricopa County, Arizona.
6. A portion of 39M has been closed to hunting. Hunting is not permitted in the following area of unit 39M: an unincorporated portion of land within the City of Mesa known as the Elliot and Hawes County Island in Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 6 East.
7. SHOOTING HOURS: One half-hour before sunrise until noon (restricted hunting hours apply to all methods of take).
8. SHOOTING HOURS: One half-hour before sunrise until sunset.
9. HARVEST INFORMATION PROGRAM: As required by A.R.S. 17-333.03 and R12-4-203, dove hunters age 16 and older shall have in their possession an Arizona Migratory Bird Stamp which will validate their license for the federal Harvest Information Program. The Arizona Migratory Bird Stamp may be obtained, for a cost of \$3.00 on or after July 1 of each year, from any Arizona Game and Fish Department office or wherever hunting licenses are sold.
10. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermillion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
11. SELECTION OF HUNTERS: A limited portion of the wildlife area will be restricted to junior hunters only. Shooting stations will be assigned on a first-come, first served basis unless there are more people desiring to participate than available shooting stations, then a drawing will be held at 4:45 a.m. Hunters must check in prior to hunting and check out following completion of their hunt at the Game and Fish Department check station.
12. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 42M in the following described area: Those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 3 East.
13. Falconry hunting will not be permitted on National Wildlife Refuges.

Hunt Guidelines

Commission Order 20: Band-tailed Pigeon

General Band-tailed Pigeon

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 23 - Oct 3, 2005	(1,2,3)	Statewide (except units 12A, 12B, 13A, and 13B)	Any Band-tailed Pigeon
Sep 9 - Oct 3, 2005	(1,2)	12A, 12B, 13A, and 13B	Any Band-tailed Pigeon

LAWFUL TAKING DEVICE: Shotgun, bow and arrow, or crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-304 or by falconry.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Class F, G, or H license plus a Migratory Bird Stamp. Falconers must be licensed pursuant to R12-4-422 or exempted pursuant to R12-4-407.

SHOOTING HOURS: One-half hour before sunrise until sunset.

BAG LIMIT: Five (5) Band-tailed pigeons per day.

POSSESSION LIMIT: Ten (10) Band-tailed pigeons after opening day, of which no more than five (5) may be taken in any one day.

FALCONRY BAG LIMIT: Three (3) per day. Note: The aggregate falconry bag limit of all migratory game birds is three (3), comprised of any combination of migratory game bird species for which a general season, that includes falconry as a legal method of take, or a falconry-only season is open. Falconers should consult Commission Orders 19, 20, 21 and 22 for season dates and open areas. The falconry bag limit is not in addition to the firearms bag limits.

FALCONRY POSSESSION LIMIT: Six (6) in the aggregate of all migratory game birds in season (Commission Orders 19 through 22) after opening day, of which no more than three (3) may be taken in any one day.

Notes:

1. HARVEST INFORMATION PROGRAM: As required by A.R.S. 17-333.03 and R12-4-203, dove hunters age 16 and older shall have in their possession an Arizona Migratory Bird Stamp which will validate their license for the federal Harvest Information Program. The Arizona Migratory Bird Stamp may be obtained, for a cost of \$3.00 on or after July 1 of each year, from any Arizona Game and Fish Department office or wherever hunting licenses are sold.
2. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermillion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
3. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 42M in the following described area: Those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 3 East.

Hunt Guidelines

Commission Order 21: Waterfowl

General Waterfowl

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 21, 2005 - Jan 29, 2006	(1,2,3,4,5)	Desert Zone: those portions of Units 6 and 8 within Yavapai County and Units 10 and 12B through 45	Ducks including mergansers, coots, and common moorhens (gallinules) Excluding canvasbacks
Dec 1, 2005 - Jan 29, 2006	(1,2,3,4,5)	Desert Zone: those portions of Units 6 and 8 within Yavapai County and Units 10 and 12B through 45	Canvasbacks
Oct 21, 2005 - Jan 29, 2006	(1,2,3,4,5)	Desert Zone: those portions of Units 6 and 8 within Yavapai County and Units 10 and 12B through 45 EXCEPT Units 22, 23 and 27	White geese (snow, blue and Ross') and dark geese (Canada and white-fronted)
Oct 7, 2005 - Jan 15, 2006	(1,2,3,4)	Mountain Zone: Units 1-5, 7, 7M, 9, 12A and those portions of Units 6 and 8 within Coconino County	Ducks including mergansers, coots, and common moorhens (gallinules) Excluding canvasbacks
Nov 17, 2005 - Jan 15, 2006	(1,2,3,4)	Mountain Zone: Units 1-5, 7, 7M, 9, 12A and those portions of Units 6 and 8 within Coconino County	Canvasbacks
Oct 7, 2005 - Jan 15, 2006	(3,4)	Mountain Zone: Units 2-5, 7, 7M, 9, 12A and those portions of Units 6 and 8 within Coconino County	White geese (snow, blue and Ross') and dark geese (Canada and white-fronted)
Dec 1, 2005 - Jan 15, 2006	(3,4)	Special Goose Seasons: Units 1 and 27	White geese (snow, blue and Ross') and dark geese (Canada and white-fronted)
Nov 15, 2005 - Jan 29, 2006	(3,4)	Special Goose Seasons: Units 22 and 23	White geese (snow, blue and Ross') and dark geese (Canada and white-fronted)

LAWFUL TAKING DEVICE: Shotgun, crossbow, bow and arrow or falconry as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Class F, G, or H license plus a valid Arizona Waterfowl Stamp and Federal Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp (i.e. federal Duck Stamp). Falconers must be licensed pursuant to R12-4-422 or exempted pursuant to R12-4-407.

SHOOTING HOURS: One-half hour before sunrise until sunset.

BAG LIMIT: The daily bag limit of ducks, including mergansers: Seven (7) per day not to include more than: two (2) redheads; one (1) pintail; one (1) canvasback (during the prescribed canvasback season); seven (7) mallards, no more than two (2) of which may be female or Mexican-like ducks; and three (3) scaup.

Coots and common moorhens (gallinules): Twenty-five (25) per day, singly or in the aggregate.

Geese: Four (4) white geese (snow, including blue and Ross' geese) per day and three (3) dark geese (Canada and white-fronted) per day.

FALCONRY BAG LIMIT: See Falconry-Only section.

POSSESSION LIMIT: The possession limit of ducks including mergansers: Fourteen (14) after opening day, only seven (7) of which may be taken any one day, but no more than:

- four (4) redheads
- four (4) female mallards or Mexican-like ducks
- two (2) pintails
- six (6) scaup
- two (2) canvasbacks.

Coots and common moorhens (gallinules): Twenty-five (25) singly or in the aggregate.

Geese: Eight (8) white geese (snow, including blue and Ross' geese) and six (6) dark geese (Canada and white-fronted).

FALCONRY POSSESSION LIMIT: See Falconry-Only section.

Juniors-Only Waterfowl

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Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Feb 4, 2006	(1,3,4,5)	Desert Zone: Those portions of Units 6 and 8 lying within Yavapai County and Units 10 and 12B through 45	Ducks including mergansers, coots, and common moorhens (gallinules) Excluding canvasbacks. Including white geese (snow, blue and Ross') and dark geese (Canada and white-fronted)

Juniors-Only Waterfowl

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 1, 2005	(2,3,4)	Mountain Zone: Units 1-5, 7, 7M, 9, 12A, and those portions of Units 6 and 8 within Coconino County	Ducks including mergansers, coots, and common moorhens (gallinules) Excluding canvasbacks. Including white geese (snow, blue and Ross') and dark geese (Canada and white-fronted)

LAWFUL TAKING DEVICE: Shotgun, crossbow, or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Class F, G, or H license required for participating age 14 and 15; participants age 16 or older must have a valid Arizona Waterfowl Stamp and Federal Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp (i.e. federal Duck Stamp); participants under 14 need not be licensed if accompanied by a licensed adult as prescribed in A.R.S. 17-335.

ELIGIBLE HUNTERS: Pursuant to R12-4-318 persons are eligible to participate throughout the calendar year of their 17th birthday.

SHOOTING HOURS: One-half hour before sunrise until sunset.

BAG LIMIT: The daily bag limit of ducks, including mergansers: Seven (7) per day not to include more than: two (2) redheads; one (1) pintail; seven (7) mallards, no more than two (2) of which may be female or Mexican-like ducks; and three (3) scaup.

Coots and common moorhens (gallinules): Twenty-five (25) per day, singly or in the aggregate.

Geese: Four (4) white geese (snow, including blue and Ross' geese) per day and three (3) dark geese (Canada and white-fronted) per day.

Falconry-Only Waterfowl

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jan 30 - Feb 3, 2006	(4,6)	Desert Zone: Those portions of Units 6 and 8 lying within Yavapai County and Units 10 and 12B through 45	Ducks including mergansers, coots, and common moorhens (gallinules)
Oct 2 - Oct 6, 2005	(2,4,6)	Mountain Zone: Units 1-5, 7, 7M, 9, 12A and those portions of Units 6 and 8 within Coconino County	Ducks including mergansers, coots, and common moorhens (gallinules)

LAWFUL TAKING DEVICE: Falconry as prescribed in R12-4-318 and R12-4-101.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Class F, G, or H license plus valid Arizona Waterfowl Stamp and Federal Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp (i.e. federal Duck Stamp). Falconers must be licensed pursuant to R12-4-422 or exempted pursuant to R12-4-407.

HAWKING HOURS: One-half hour before sunrise until sunset.

BAG LIMIT: Three (3) per day. Note: The aggregate falconry bag limit of all migratory game birds is three (3), comprised of any combination of migratory game bird species for which a general season, that includes falconry as a legal method of take, or a falconry-only season is open. Falconers should consult Commission Orders 19, 20, 21, and 22 for season dates and open areas. The falconry bag limit is not in addition to the firearms bag limit.

POSSESSION LIMIT: Six (6) in the aggregate of all migratory game birds in season (Commission Orders 19 through 22) after opening day, of which no more than three (3) may be taken in any one day.

Notes:

1. Open areas include the Imperial, Cibola, Buenos Aires and Havasu National Wildlife Refuges EXCEPT for posted portions which shall be closed to all hunting, a fee may be required for hunting on National Wildlife Refuges, see refuge regulations.
2. Ashurst Lake in Management Unit 5B is closed to all waterfowl hunting.
3. All areas within Arizona are designated nontoxic shot zones. The use or possession of lead shot while waterfowl hunting is prohibited. Waterfowl includes ducks, geese, brant, swans and coots. Lead shot includes plated lead shot. Steel, bismuth, tungsten/iron, tungsten/polymer, tungsten-nickel-iron, and tungsten matrix shot are approved as nontoxic shot.
4. Persons 16 years of age or older must have in their possession a valid Federal Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp when taking ducks and geese, and a valid, signed Arizona Waterfowl Stamp attached to their hunting license when taking ducks and geese. This stamp will automatically register the holder for the federal Harvest Information Program for the taking of ducks and geese. Persons 16 years of age and older must have in their possession a valid Arizona Migratory Bird Stamp when taking coots and common moorhens pursuant to A.R.S. 17-333.03 and R12-4-203.
5. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 42M in the following described area: those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14, and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 3 East.
6. Falconry hunting will not be permitted on National Wildlife Refuges.

Hunt Guidelines

Commission Order 22: Common Snipe

General Common Snipe

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 21, 2005 - Jan 29, 2006	(1)	Desert Zone: those portions of Units 6 and 8 within Yavapai County and Units 10 and 12B through 45	Common snipe
Oct 7, 2005 - Jan 15, 2006	(2)	Mountain Zone: Units 1-5, 7, 9, 12A and those portions of Units 6 and 8 within Coconino County	Common snipe

LAWFUL TAKING DEVICE: Shotgun, crossbow, or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and by falconry.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Class F, G, or H license plus a valid Arizona Migratory Bird Stamp. Falconers must be licensed pursuant to R12-4-422 or exempted pursuant to R12-4-407.

SHOOTING HOURS: One-half hour before sunrise until sunset.

BAG LIMIT: Eight (8) per day.

POSSESSION LIMIT: Sixteen (16) common snipe after opening day, no more than eight (8) of which may have been taken in any one day.

FALCONRY BAG LIMIT: Three (3) per day. Note: The aggregate falconry bag limit of all migratory game birds is three (3), comprised of any combination of migratory game bird species for which a general season, that includes falconry as a legal method of take, or a falconry-only season is open. Falconers should consult Commission Orders 19, 20, 21, and 22 for season dates and open areas. The falconry bag limit is not in addition to the firearms bag limit.

FALCONRY POSSESSION LIMIT: Six (6) in the aggregate of all migratory game birds in season (Commission Orders 19 through 22) after opening day, of which no more than three (3) may be taken in any one day.

HARVEST INFORMATION PROGRAM (HIP): As required by A.R.S. 17-333.03 and R12-4-203, Snipe hunters age 16 and older shall have in their possession a valid Arizona Migratory Bird Stamp which will validate their license for the federal Harvest Information Program. The Arizona Migratory Bird Stamp may be obtained, for a cost of \$3.00 on or after July 1 of each year, from any Arizona Game and Fish Department office or wherever hunting licenses are sold.

Notes:

1. Open areas include the Imperial, Cibola, Buenos Aires and Havasu National Wildlife Refuges EXCEPT for posted portions which shall be closed to all hunting. A fee may be required for hunting on National Wildlife Refuges, see refuge regulations.
2. Ashurst Lake in Unit 5B is closed to common snipe hunting.

Hunt Guidelines

Commission Order 24: Sandhill Crane

General Sandhill Crane

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
	Nov 1 - Nov 3, 2005	(1,2,3,4,5)	30A, 30B, 31 and 32	Any sandhill crane
	Nov 5 - Nov 7, 2005	(1,2,3,4,5)	30A, 30B, 31 and 32	Any sandhill crane
	Nov 9 - Nov 11, 2005	(1,2,3,4,5)	30A, 30B, 31 and 32	Any sandhill crane
	Nov 13 - Nov 15, 2005	(1,2,3,4,5)	30A, 30B, 31 and 32	Any sandhill crane

LAWFUL TAKING DEVICES: Shotgun, crossbow or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Class F, G, or H license and Sandhill Crane Hunt Permit-tag.

SHOOTING HOURS: One-half hour before sunrise until sunset.

Archery-Only Sandhill Crane

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
	Nov 25 - Nov 27, 2005	(2,3,4,5)	30A, 30B, 31 and 32	Any sandhill crane

LAWFUL TAKING DEVICE: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Class F, G, or H license and Sandhill Crane Hunt Permit-Tag.

SHOOTING HOURS: One-half hour before sunrise until sunset.

Notes:

1. There will not be a hunter check station for Sandhill Cranes in 2005. The mandatory check station will be utilized every third year; the next mandatory check station will occur in 2007. All hunters, successful and unsuccessful, are asked to return the harvest questionnaire following the hunt to maintain the harvest database.
2. In accordance with R12-4-305 each sandhill crane possessed or being transported shall have a permit-tag attached to its leg or neck and either the fully feathered head or one fully feathered wing shall remain attached until it arrives at the hunter's permanent abode or the place where it is to be consumed.
3. An area within the following described boundaries shall be closed to sandhill crane hunting during the sandhill crane season dates: Beginning at Willcox; southeast on AZ Hwy 186 to the Kansas Settlement Road; south on the Kansas Settlement Road to Kimzey Road which runs west from K-S Store (formerly Brown's store) and the cotton gin at the northeast corner of Section 11, Township 16 South, Range 25 East; west along this road alignment to AZ Hwy 191 (formerly 666); north on AZ Hwy 191 to Interstate 10; northeast on Interstate 10 to Willcox.
4. The area within the following described boundaries shall be closed to sandhill crane hunting. Beginning at the junction of Coffman and Davis roads; south on Coffman road to Bagby road; west along the Bagby road alignment to the intersection of Bagby and posted portions of the Alamo Ranch; north to the boundary with that portion of Whitewater Draw Wildlife Area in Section 30, Township 12 South, Range 26 East; west along the posted portion of the Wildlife Area to Frontier road; north on Frontier road to Davis road; east on Davis Road to the point of origin.
5. Sandhill crane hunt permit-tags may be obtained only through application and drawing procedures prescribed in R12-4-104 and the Hunt Permit-Tag Application Schedule. Successful applicants will receive two (2) Sandhill crane hunt-permit tags.

ONE FEATHERED WING - Sportsmen should note that one feathered wing (or head for sandhill crane only) must be left attached to all migratory game birds until they reach their final destination.

CLOSED AREAS - Willcox Playa Wildlife Area (In Unit 30A): Open to hunting and trapping in season, except that the posted portion (SE 1/4 of Section 3 and SW 1/4 of Section 2 and the NE 1/4 of Section 10, T15S, R25E) is closed to public entry from the first day of the waterfowl season through February 28 of the following year. The Willcox Playa Wildlife Area is closed to off-road motor-powered vehicular entry and travel at all times.

SEASON AND HOURS - No person may take migratory game birds during closed season. Migratory game birds may be taken only during hours open to hunting.

IMPORTATION - For information regarding the importation of migratory game birds killed in another country, hunters should consult federal regulations (50CFR 20.61 through 20.66). One fully feathered wing must remain attached to all migratory game birds being transported between the port of entry and the hunter's home or to a migratory bird preservation facility. No person shall import any migratory game birds from any country except Canada unless such birds are dressed (except as required above), drawn and the head and feet are removed. No person shall import migratory game birds belonging to another person.

BAG LIMIT - No person may, during any one day take more than one daily bag limit or possess more than one daily bag limit in the field, or while returning to the car, hunting camp or home. One feathered wing must be left attached to all migratory game birds until they reach their final destination.

RETRIEVAL AND TAGGING - All birds downed shall be retrieved if possible, and retained in the custody of the hunter in the field. Crippled birds must be killed immediately. Any birds given to or left with another person must be tagged by the hunter with a tag showing his name, address and the number and species of birds, and the dates they were killed. Packages in which migratory game birds are shipped must show the names of the sender and receiver, and the number and species of birds contained in the parcel.

DECOYS, CALLS AND BAITING - Migratory birds may not be taken with the aid of live decoys, recorded bird calls or electronically amplified bird calls. It is illegal to take birds over baited areas. An area is considered baited for 10 days after the bait has been removed, and a hunter need not know an area has been baited to be in violation.

WATERCRAFT RESTRICTIONS - Waterfowl may be hunted from a watercraft (except a sinkbox) including those propelled by motor, sail and wind, or both when the motor has been completely shut off and/or the sails furled and its progress therefrom has ceased. The watercraft may be drifting as a result of current or wind action on the hull, beached or moored, resting at anchor, or may be propelled by paddle, oars or pole. A watercraft under power may be used to retrieve dead or crippled waterfowl but no shooting is permitted while the watercraft is underway. It is illegal to drive or rally game birds toward hunters by use of any motor-driven conveyance or sail boat.

MOTOR-VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS - No person may take migratory game birds from any motor-driven vehicle, including aircraft. Special regulations govern handicapped hunters.

WEAPON - Migratory game birds may be taken only with a 10 gauge or smaller shotgun capable of holding not more than three shells. Birds may also be taken by falconry or by bow and arrow, or crossbow.

BAG & POSSESSION LIMIT: Two (2) sandhill cranes per calendar year.