

Vermont Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Dates

2015 Season (All Dates Inclusive)*

Fishing

Trout & Landlocked Salmon.....	April 11– Oct. 31
Trout & Landlocked Salmon (Lake Champlain).....	No Closed Season
Largemouth & Smallmouth Bass.....	June 13 – Nov. 30
Catch & Release – Lakes and Ponds.....	April 11 – June 12
Catch & Release –Lake Champlain only.....	December 1, 2014-June 12, 2015
Pickeringel, N. Pike, Yellow Perch.....	No Closed Season
Walleye (all waters except Chittenden Reservoir and the Connecticut River.)	May 3, 2014 – March 15, 2015 & May 2, 2015 – March 15, 2016
Walleye (Chittenden reservoir and Connecticut River).....	See Guide to Laws
Smelt.....	No Closed Season
Free Fishing Days	January 31 and June 13, 2015

Hunting

Deer (Bow & Arrow).....	Oct. 3-25 & Dec. 5-13
Youth Deer Weekend.....	Nov. 7-8
Deer (16 Day Regular Season).....	Nov. 14-29
Deer (Muzzleloader).....	Dec. 5-13
Black Bear.....	Early Season Sept. 1-- Nov. 13 // Late Season Nov. 14-22
Youth Turkey Weekend.....	April 25-26
Turkey Spring Season.....	May 1 – May 31
Turkey Fall Seasons: Bow & arrow only: October 3-23 in all WMUs statewide	
Shotgun or bow & arrow: October 24- November 1 in WMUs B, D, G, H, I, J, L, M, O, P, and Q	
Shotgun or bow & arrow: October 24-November 8 in WMUs F, K, and N	
Moose.....	Archery Oct. 1-7 // Reg. season Oct. 17-22
Hare, Rabbit.....	Sept. 27, 2014-March 8, 2015 & Sept. 26, 2015-March 13, 2016 WMUs D&E remain open through March 31
Gray Squirrel.....	Sept. 1 – Dec. 31
Ruffed Grouse (Partridge).....	Sept. 26 – Dec. 31
Woodcock.....	To be announced
Crow.....	March 14 – April 30 & Aug. 16 – October 29
Snow Goose.....	To be announced

Furbearer Hunting

Bobcat.....	Jan. 10 – Feb. 7
Red & Gray Fox.....	Oct. 25, 2014-Feb. 8, 2015 & Oct. 24, 2015-Feb. 14, 2016
Raccoon.....	Oct. 10 – Dec. 31
Muskrat.....	March 20 – April 19
Coyote.....	Open Year Around
Fisher, Otter, Beaver.....	No Open Season

Furbearer Trapping

Mink, Skunk, Red & Gray Fox, Raccoon, Coyote, Opossum, Weasel.....	Oct. 24 – Dec. 31
Otter.....	Oct. 25, 2014-Feb. 28, 2015 & Oct. 24, 2015-Feb. 29, 2016
Muskrat.....	Oct. 25, 2014-March 31, 2015 & Oct. 24, 2015-March 31, 2016
Fisher.....	Dec.1-31
Bobcat.....	Dec. 1 – 16
Beaver.....	Oct. 25, 2014 – March 31, 2015 & Oct. 24, 2015-March 31, 2016

Furbearers-Closed Season

Marten, Lynx, Wolf	No Open Season
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*Read the 2015 Hunting, Fishing & Trapping Laws & Guide for more information and exceptions to these dates. (9-24-14)