

2017-2018 TEXAS HUNTING SEASONS

ALLIGATOR

22 Counties and special properties (By permit only) Sept. 10-30, 2017
Remainder of state April 1-June 30, 2018

PRONGHORN ANTELOPE

By permit only Sept. 30 -8, 2017

DOVE (Please report leg bands to 1-800-327-BAND)

North Zone: Regular Season Sept. 1-Nov. 12, Dec. 15-Dec. 31
Central Zone: Regular Season Sept. 1-Nov. 5, Dec. 15-Jan. 7
South Zone: Regular Season Sept. 22-Nov. 8, Dec.15-Jan. 21
Special White-winged Dove Area:
Special Season Sept. 2-3; Sept. 9-10, 2017
(Legal shooting hours are noon to sunset)

SEPTEMBER TEAL ONLY SEASON

(Blue-winged, Green-winged, and Cinnamon Teal)
Statewide Sept. 9-24, 2017

WHITE-TAILED DEER

Archery Sept. 30-Nov. 3, 2017
General:
Special Youth Season* Oct. 28-29, Jan. 8-21, 2018
North Texas (212 counties) Nov. 4, 2017-Jan. 7, 2018
South Texas (30 counties) Nov. 4, 2017-Jan. 21, 2018
Special Antler Restrictions (117 counties) 13" inside spread or one unbranched antler
Late Antlerless and Spike:
North Texas (106 counties) Jan. 8-21, 2018
South Texas (30 counties) Jan. 22 - Feb. 4, 2018
Muzzleloader (57 counties) Jan. 8-21, 2018

MULE DEER

Archery Sept. 30-Nov. 3, 2017
General:
Panhandle (40 counties) Nov. 18-Dec. 3, 2017
Southwestern Panhandle (14 counties) Nov. 18 - 26, 2017
Trans-Pecos (19 counties) Nov. 24 - Dec. 10, 2017

JAVELINA

Northern 43 counties Oct. 1, 2017-Feb. 25, 2018
Southern 50 counties Sept. 1, 2017-Aug. 31, 2018

SQUIRREL

Special Youth Season** Sept. 23-24, 2017
East Texas (51 counties) Oct. 1, 2017-Feb. 25, 2018, May 1-31
Other open counties No closed season

PHEASANT

Panhandle (37 counties) Dec. 2- Dec. 31, 2017

QUAIL

Statewide (254 counties) Oct. 28, 2017-Feb. 25, 2018

TURKEY

Archery Sept. 30, 2017 - Nov. 3, 2017
Fall Season:
Special Youth Season* Oct. 28 - Oct. 29, Jan. 8-21, 2018
North Texas (123 counties) Nov. 4, 2017-Jan. 7, 2018
South Texas (26 counties) Nov. 4, 2017-Jan. 21, 2018
Brooks, Kenedy, Kleberg, & Willacy Counties Nov. 5 4 2017-Feb. 25, 2018
Spring Season:
North Zone (101 counties) March 31-May 13, 2018
North Zone: Special Youth Season* March 24-25, May 19-20, 2018
South Zone (54 counties) March 17- April 29, 2018
South Zone: Special Youth Season* March 10-11, May 5-6, 2018
1 - Turkey Bag Limit (8 counties) April 1-30, 2018

EASTERN TURKEY

(Survey mandatory check stations)
Spring Season Only: (t15 counties) April 15-May 14, 2018

CHACHALACA

Cameron, Hildago, Starr, and Willacy Counties Nov. 4, 2017-Feb. 25, 2018

RABBITS AND HARES

Statewide No closed season

* In all counties that have an open season for those species.

** In all counties that have an October 1-February 4 and May 1-31 Open Squirrel Season.
+ Rio Grande and Eastern Turkey may be hunted in these counties.

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TEXAS FISHING BAG & LENGTH LIMITS

FRESHWATER & SALTWATER FISH

| FRESHWATER FISH | | |
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| SPECIES | DAILY BAG | LENGTH (MINIMUM) |
| Bass: | 5 (in any combo) | |
| largemouth and smallmouth | | 14 inches |
| spotted and Guadalupe | | No minimum |
| Bass, striped and hybrid striped (also known as palmetto or sunshine bass) | 5 (in any combo) | 18 inches |
| Bass, white | 25 | 10 inches |
| Bass, yellow | No limit | No minimum |
| Catfish: channel and blue, their hybrids and subspecies | 25 (in any combo) | 12 inches |
| Catfish, flathead | 5 | 18 inches |
| Crappie: white and black, their hybrids and subspecies | 25 (in any combo) | 10 inches |
| Paddlefish | No harvest allowed | |
| Gar, alligator | 1 | No minimum |
| Saugeye | 3 | 18 inches |
| Sunfish: various species including bluegill, redear, green, warmouth and longear | No limit | No minimum |
| Trout: rainbow and brown, their hybrids and subspecies | 5 (in any combo) | No minimum |
| Walleye | 5 | Only 2 can be less than 16 inches in length |

| SALTWATER FISH | | |
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| SPECIES | DAILY BAG | LENGTH IN INCHES (MIN -MAX) |
| Amberjack, Greater | 1 | 34" — No limit |
| Bass: striped, its hybrids and subspecies | 5 (in any combo) | 18" — No limit |
| Catfish: channel and blue, hybrids & subspecies | 25 (in any combo) | 12" — No limit |
| Catfish, flathead | 5 | 18" — No limit |
| Catfish, gafftopsail | No limit | 14" — No limit |
| Cobia | 2 | 37" — No limit |
| Drum, black | 5 | 14" — 30" |
| Drum, red | 3 | 20" — 28" |
| Flounder: all species, their hybrids and subspecies | 5/2 (in any combo) | 14" — No limit |
| Gar, alligator | 1 | No limit — No limit |
| Grouper, gag | 2 | 22" — No limit |
| Grouper, goliath (formerly called Jewfish) | 0 | Catch and release only |
| Mackerel, king | 2 | 27" — No limit |
| Mackerel, Spanish | 15 | 14" — No limit |
| Marlin, blue | No limit | 131" — No limit |
| Marlin, white | No limit | 86" — No limit |
| Mullet: all species, their hybrids and subspecies | No limit | No limit — 12" (during Oct., Nov., Dec. & Jan.) |
| Sailfish | No limit | 84" — No limit |
| Seatrout, spotted | 10 | 15' — 25' |
| Sharks | | |
| Atlantic sharpnose, blacktip, bonnethead | 1 | 24" — No limit |
| other allowable shark species | 1 | 64" — No limit |
| prohibited species* | 0 | Catch and release only |
| Sheepshead | 5 | 15" — No limit |
| Snapper, lane | No limit | 8" — No limit |
| Snapper, red | 4 | 15" — No limit |
| Snapper, vermilion | No limit | 10" — No limit |
| Snook | 1 | 24" — 28" |
| Tarpon | 1 | 85" — No limit |
| Triggerfish, gray | 20 | 16" — No limit |
| Tripletail | 3 | 17" — No limit |

FISHING LICENSES AND FEES

| RESIDENT | NON-RESIDENT |
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| Freshwater Package | \$30 |
| Saltwater Package | \$35 |
| All-Water Package | \$40 |
| Senior Freshwater Package | \$12 |
| Senior Saltwater Package | \$17 |
| Senior All-Water Package | \$22 |
| Special Resident All-Water License (for legally blind) | \$7 |
| Year-from-Purchase All-Water Pkg | \$47 |
| One-Day All-Water License | \$11 |
| Freshwater Package | \$58 |
| Saltwater Package | \$63 |
| All-Water Package | \$68 |
| One-Day All-Water License | \$16 |

* Prohibited shark species: Atlantic angel, Basking Bigeye sand tiger, Bigeye sixgill, Bigeye thresher, Bignose, Caribbean reef, Caribbean sharpnose, Dusky, Galapagos, Longfin mako, Narrowtooth, Night, Sandbar, Sand tiger, Sevengill, Silky, Sixgill, Smalltail, Whale, and White.
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