



IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE 2013-14 HUNTING SEASON

Andy Goodell has worked hard to protect and promote the vital role of Sportsmen in Chautauqua County.

At the request of Chautauqua County sportsmen, and with the recommendation of rifle safety instructors, Assemblyman Goodell and Senator Young helped enact legislation that permanently allows the use of hunting rifles south of Route 20.

Assemblyman Goodell has also opposed the burdensome and unnecessary rifle registration requirements contained in the SAFE Act, and will continue to seek its repeal.

The first priority every season is SAFETY. Always wear an orange vest, never hunt after dusk, and make sure you always clearly see your target. Always watch for other hunters, and respect and honor landowners.

If you have concerns about anything you see while in the woods, or if you would like to report an incident, the Region 9 Environmental Conservation Officers may be reached at: (716) 851-7050 or by emailing region9@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

2013-14 BIG AND SMALL GAME SEASONS

SPECIES	DATE	LIMIT
Grey, Black and Fox Squirrel	September 1 - February 28	6/day
Cottentail Rabbit	October 1 - February 28	6/day
Ruffed Grouse	October 1 - February 28	4/day
Pheasant	October 19 - February 28	2/day
Varying Hare	January 1 - January 31	6/day
Turkey	October 19 - November 15	1/season
Whitetail Deer	Early Archery – October 1 - November 15 Regular Season – November 16 - December 8 Muzzleloader – December 9 - December 17 Late Archery – December 9 - December 17	
Bear	Early Archery – October 1 - November 15 Late Archery – December 9 - December 17 Regular Season – November 16 - December 8 Muzzleloader – December 9 - December 17	
Coyote	October 1 - March 30	
Bobcat	October 25 - November 15*	

14- and 15-Year-Old Junior Hunters can hunt Deer with a Firearm over the Columbus Day weekend with a qualified adult (October 12-14, 2013). For more information on opportunities for Junior Hunters and Trappers, visit www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/52495.html.

Note: During the youth deer hunt, mentors may not carry a firearm, crossbow, or bow to pursue deer.

*Note: If you take a bobcat you must: 1) Complete a Furbearer Possession Tag; and 2) Get the pelt or unskinned animal sealed.