

Arkansas Game and Fish Commission

Code Book

The regulations in this Code Book are hereby adopted by the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission under authority of Amendment 35 to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas. All laws, rules, regulations, or orders in conflict with the regulations in this Code Book are hereby repealed by the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission.

A1.08 Bear Season And Limits

A. **ARCHERY/CROSSBOW**

Zones 1 and 2: For 2022 season 7 days prior to the fourth Saturday in September, Beginning 2023 season 10 days prior to the Fourth Saturday in September through last day of November. (Zone 1 closes earlier if quota is reached).

Zones 3, 4, 5, 5A, 6 and 7: Closed.

B. **MUZZLELOADER**

Zones 1 and 2: Third Saturday in October for 9 days. (Zone 1 closes earlier if quota is reached).

Zones 3, 4, 5, 5A, 6 and 7: Closed.

C. **MODERN GUN**

Zones 1 and 2: Second Saturday in November through last day in November. (Zone 1 closes earlier if quota is reached).

Zones 3 and 4: Second Saturday in December for 7 days (Zones close earlier if quota is reached).

Zone 5: Fourth Saturday in November for 9 days. (Zones close earlier if quota is reached).

Zone 5A: Third Saturday in November for 16 days. (Zones close earlier if quota is reached).

Zones 6 and 7: Closed.

D. **SPECIAL YOUTH MODERN GUN BEAR HUNT**

Zones 1 and 2: First Saturday in November for 2 days.

Zones 3, 4, 5, 5A, 6 and 7: Closed.

ZONE QUOTA

Zone 1 (including all WMAs in Zone 1 except Ed Gordon Point Remove, Harold E. Alexander Spring River, McIlroy Madison County, Scott Henderson Gulf Mountain): Archery season quota is not to exceed 400 bears. Muzzleloader season quota (only October season) is not to exceed 50 bears. Combined Modern Gun season quota is not to exceed 50 bears.

The Zone 1 quota is an additive quota not to exceed 500 bears for all combined seasons.

Zone 3: Quota 5 bears.

Zone 4: Quota 25 bears.

Zone 5: Quota 10 bears.

Zone 5A: Quota 5 bears.

Zones 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 5A: Hunters in these zones must comply with the terms and conditions outlined in the current Arkansas Hunting Guidebook.

EXCEPTIONS:

A. In compliance with Addendum [C1.02](#).

B. In compliance with Chapter [09.00](#) and Code [11.01](#).

LIMIT: Individual seasonal limit of 1 bear statewide.