

As of July 3, 2024

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 All laws, rules, regulations, or orders in conflict with the regulations in this Code Book are hereby repealed by the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission.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: 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. ALTERNATIVE FIREARMS

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: Third Saturday in December for 7 days (Zones close earlier if quota is reached).

Zone 5: Third Saturday in December for 7 days. (Zones close earlier if quota is reached).

Zone 5A: Third Saturday in December for 7 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 450 bears.

Alternative firearms 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 550 bears for all combined seasons. Archery season quota is 450; Alternative firearms is 50; and Modern Gun quota is 50.

Zone 3: Quota 5 bears.

Zone 4: Quota 25 bears.

Zone 5: Quota 10 bears.

Zone 5A: Quota 5 bears.

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.