

**REGISTRATION STATIONS \***

(area code is 603)

**BELKNAP COUNTY**

Barnstead	Barnstead Country Store, 107 Maple St.	269-8144
Laconia	Martel's Bait & Sport Shop, Winnisquam Ave.	524-2431
Laconia	Paugus Bay Sport Shop, Rt. 3	524-4319
Meredith	Meredith Center Store, Center Road	279-4315

**CARROLL COUNTY**

Center Ossipee	Double H Farm, 215 Moultonville Road	539-5547
Conway	USFS Saco Ranger District, Rt. 16	447-5448
Freedom	Freedom Market, Rt. 25	539-7774
Jackson	Wildcat Service Station, Rt. 16	383-6691
Sanbornville	Longmeadow Hardware, 59 Meadow St.	522-3604
Tamworth	So. Tamworth Country Store, Rt. 25	323-7253
Tuftonboro	Tuftonboro General Store, Rt. 109A	569-9859
Wolfeboro	Wolfeboro Bay Outfitters, 15 South Main St.	569-1114

**CHESHIRE COUNTY**

Dublin	Dublin General Store, 1257 Main St.	563-8401
Keene	R.E. Moore Taxidermy, South St.	352-7348
Marlow	Marlow Grocery, Rt. 10/Rt. 123	446-3301
Richmond	Richmond 4 Corners Store, 3 Winchester Rd.	239-6145
Walpole	Drewsville General Store, Rt. 123	445-5120
Winchester	Trader John's Gun Shop, Rt. 10	239-4032

**COOS COUNTY**

Errol	LL Cote, Main St.	482-7777
Gorham	Gorham Hardware, Rt. 2/Rt. 16	466-2312
Groveton	Emerson Outdoor Outfitters, Rt. 3/ 149 State St.	636-2211
Jefferson	Jefferson Old Corner Store, Rt. 2	586-7722
Milan	Yesterday's Country Store, 1156 West Milan Rd.	449-2236
Pittsburg	Dube's Pittstop, Rt. 3	538-9944
Whitefield	Lufkin's Service Center, off Rt. 3	837-2088

**GRAFTON COUNTY**

Bath	Swiftwater Way Station, 533 Wild Ammonoosuc Rd.	747-2929
Bristol	Newfound Sales, Lake St.	744-8658
Lebanon	Welch's Gun Shop, 103 Bank St.	448-3644
Littleton	Corey's Gun Shop, Meadow St.	444-6261
Littleton	Poulsen's General Store, 1000 Monroe	444-7718
North Haverhill	Patten's Sporting Goods, 2956 Dartmouth C. Hwy.	787-6964
Orford	Patterson's Grocery and Deli, Rt. 10	353-4703
Plymouth	Plymouth Fire Station, Highland St.	536-1253
Rumney	D&R Convenience, 3886 Rte. 25	786-9419

**HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY**

Antrim	Place in the Woods, Rt. 202	588-2446
Hillsborough	Morse Sporting Goods, off Rt. 9	464-3444
Manchester	Wildlife Taxidermy and Sports, Rt. 28	625-9958
Milford	Milford Fish Hatchery, River Rd.	673-1416
New Boston	New Boston Sports, Rt. 13	487-3432
New Ipswich	Hoppy's Country Store, Rt. 124	878-1700
Weare	Dave's Taxidermy, Flanders Memorial Dr.	529-7318

**MERRIMACK COUNTY**

Bradford	Merrimack Farm and Country Store, Rt. 103	938-2211
Danbury	Smith River Trading Post, Rt. 4	768-3413
Dunbarton	Dunbarton Country Store, Rt. 13	774-3888
Franklin	Franklin Fire Station, West Bow St.	934-2205
Hooksett	Steve's Sportsmen's Den, Rt. 3	485-5085
Salisbury	Barn Store of New England, Rt. 4	648-2888

**ROCKINGHAM COUNTY**

Chester	Chester Hardware, 15 Chester St.	887-4544
East Kingston	Jewett's General Store, Rt. 107	642-3311
Greenland	Suds & Soda Sports Outlet, Rt. 101	431-6320
Nottingham	Demmons Store, Rt. 152	942-8840

**STRAFFORD COUNTY**

Barrington	Brian's Archery Shop, Rt. 125	332-1041
Madbury	Taylor's Trading Post, Rt. 9	742-5931
New Durham	Hot Spots Outfitters, Rt. 11/Depot Rd.	859-3300

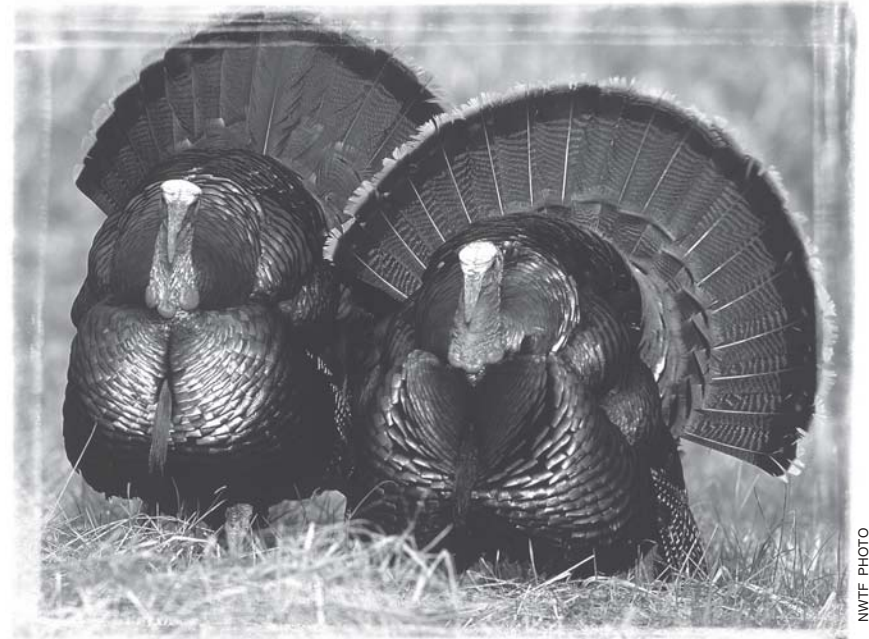
**SULLIVAN COUNTY**

Claremont	Stearn's Archery & Taxidermy, 57 Broad St.	542-4973
Meriden	Meriden Deli Mart, Rt. 120	469-3253

*\*Hunters should contact registration stations for hours of operation.*NOTE: Turkey Harvest Data is available in the annual Wildlife Harvest Summary; download from [www.wildlife.state.nh.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nh.us)

# Turkey Hunting

## IN NEW HAMPSHIRE



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## **SPRING GOBBLER SEASON:**

**Season Dates: May 3 to May 31:**

WMU B, C<sup>1</sup>, C<sup>2</sup>, D<sup>1</sup>, D<sup>2</sup>, E, F, G, H<sup>1</sup>, H<sup>2</sup>, I<sup>1</sup>, I<sup>2</sup>, J<sup>1</sup>, J<sup>2</sup>, K, L, M

**May 3 to May 17:** WMU A

**Hunting Hours:** 1/2 hour before sunrise to 12 noon.

**Bag Limit:** One bearded or male turkey per hunter. Hunters are encouraged to pass on bearded hens.

**Rules:** Turkeys may be taken by shotgun or by archery. See "Other Rules" to right.

## **YOUTH HUNT WEEKEND**

- **The 2007 youth hunt weekend is Sat., April 28 and Sun., April 29.** All WMUs are open (A-M).
- Youths must be under 16 years of age and must be accompanied by an adult 18 years of age or older who is licensed to take turkeys.
- **Youths must purchase and possess a current turkey license.**
- Adults who accompany youth hunters must possess a current hunting license and turkey license, but may not carry a firearm or bow.
- Each adult can accompany a maximum of 2 youths.
- Youths are subject to the same regulations as those in effect during the regular spring season, and must register their turkeys at a registration station.

## **FALL ARCHERY SEASON:**

**Season Dates: September 15 to December 15:**

WMU B, C<sup>1</sup>, C<sup>2</sup>, D<sup>1</sup>, D<sup>2</sup>, E, F, G, H<sup>1</sup>, H<sup>2</sup>, I<sup>1</sup>, I<sup>2</sup>, J<sup>1</sup>, J<sup>2</sup>, K, L, M

**CLOSED:** WMU A

**Hunting Hours:** 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.

**Bag Limit:** One turkey of either sex in combination with the Fall Shotgun Season.

**Rules:** Turkeys may be taken by archery only. See "Other Rules" to right.

## **FALL SHOTGUN SEASON:**

**Season Dates: October 15 to October 19, 2007:**

WMUs D1, D2, G, H1, H2, I1, I2, and K

**Hunting Hours:** 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.

**Bag Limit:** One turkey of either sex, in combination with the Fall Archery Season.

**Rules:** Turkeys may be taken by shotgun only. See "Other Rules" to right.

## **LICENSES:**

All turkey hunters, including youth hunters, must obtain a \$6 turkey license. Adult residents must have a N.H. hunting or archery license. Adult nonresidents must have a big game hunting or archery license. Fall shotgun hunters, including youth, also require an \$11 fall shotgun permit. Hunters can take only a single turkey during the fall. Licenses are available from Fish and Game's Concord office and license agents. They can also be purchased online at [www.HuntNH.com](http://www.HuntNH.com).

## **OTHER RULES:**

- **It is unlawful to take a turkey with a rifle, dogs (during spring season), bait, electronic calling devices, live decoys, or while it is perched in a tree.** Cooperative drives are illegal. If using a bow, it must be at least a 40-pound-draw weight at 28" or less draw length. Shotguns must be 10, 12, 16 or 20 gauge. Shot size must be 2, 4, 5, or 6.
- **The name and address of the archer shall be plainly printed on each arrow.** Fixed blade broadheads shall not be less than  $\frac{7}{8}$  inch wide. Retractable blade broadheads may be smaller than  $\frac{7}{8}$  inch wide in flight, but not less than  $\frac{7}{8}$  inch wide when open.
- **Turkeys must be tagged immediately upon killing.** Registration is required within 24 hours of taking, and the bird must be fully feathered and intact, but may be gutted. A \$2 registration fee is required.
- **Companion hunting:** A person who has taken a turkey may assist another properly licensed turkey hunter by calling only. The person assisting by calling shall not possess a firearm or bow and arrow.

## **KNOW HENS FROM GOBBLERS**

It is against the law to kill hen turkeys (except for bearded hens) during the spring season. Hunters are legally and ethically obligated to know how to differentiate hens and gobblers. The turkey "beard" is not a reliable indicator of sex. Beards may be broken or obscured, short beards may be difficult to see, and up to 10% of females may have thin 6 to 10 inch beards. Bearded hens are a valuable segment of the nesting population and should never be taken purposefully!

Gobblers have a pronounced red, white and blue head during the spring. The white skull cap of a gobbler is very distinct, as are red neck wattles and leg spurs. Gobblers are black in appearance. Hens have a blue-gray head, lack spurs and prominent wattles, and appear brown. Finally, hens seldom strut or fan, and do not gobble. See the Turkey Wildlife Profile at [www.HuntNH.com](http://www.HuntNH.com) for more information.

## **TURKEY HUNTING SAFETY TIPS**

***Don't become a statistic. Avoid all circumstances that enhance the likelihood of you being "mistaken for game."***

1. **Never stalk a turkey.** It rarely works and increases the risk of an accident.
2. **Never wear red, white, blue or black** over or under-clothing, as these are prominent colors of displaying gobblers.
3. **Never call from a tree** that is thinner than the width of your shoulders.
4. **Never jump or turn suddenly** in response to a suspected turkey.
5. **Never call** from a site where you can't see at least 40 yards in all directions.
6. **Never imitate a gobbler call** while concealed in a stand.
7. **Never presume** that what you hear or what responds to your call is a turkey.
8. **Never think that your camouflage makes you totally invisible.** To ID yourself to other hunters, wrap an orange band around a tree.
9. **Never hide** so well that you can't see what's happening around you.
10. **Never move or wave** to alert approaching hunters; shout "stop" instead.

***NOTE: Turkey Regulations and Season Dates are also listed in the current N.H. Hunting Digest.***