

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF EMERGENCY REGULATIONS  
OF ALASKA BOARD OF GAME

On September 2, 2014, the commissioner of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, under a delegation of authority from the Board of Game issued under Alaska Statute 16.05.270, adopted as emergency regulations changes in Title 5 of the Alaska Administrative Code dealing with hunting seasons and bag limits for dark geese, including the following:

5 AAC 85.065(a)(4) was repealed and readopted to reorganize the provisions in the paragraph and to include the following changes:

1. Dark geese regulations are reorganized into separate provisions for Canada geese (including cackling geese) and White-fronted geese.
2. In Unit 18, White-fronted geese daily bag and possession limits are increased to eight per day and 24 in possession.
3. A registration permit and having your geese checked is no longer required in order to hunt Canada/cackling geese in Units 6(B), 6(C), and on Hinchinbrook and Hawkins Islands in Unit 6(D).

The emergency regulations took effect September 2, 2014 and will expire December 30, 2014. The Alaska Department of Fish and Game intends to make the emergency regulations permanent. These regulations correct and replace the similar emergency regulations filed on August 27, 2014 that became effective on August 31, 2014.

You may comment on the regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the changes, by submitting written comments to Dan Rosenberg, Waterfowl Coordinator, at Alaska Department of Fish and Game, 525 W. 67<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska 99518. The comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on October 24, 2014. Written comments received are public records and are subject to public inspection.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Kristy Tibbles at (907) 465-4110 no later than October 10, 2014 to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

For a copy of the emergency regulations, contact Dan Rosenberg at Alaska Department of Fish and Game, 525 W. 67<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska 99518.

The language of the permanent regulations may be different from that of the original emergency regulations, and may include other provisions dealing with the same subject. **YOU SHOULD COMMENT DURING THE TIME ALLOWED IF YOUR INTERESTS COULD BE AFFECTED.**

**Statutory Authority:** AS 16.05.255; AS 16.05.258; AS 16.05.270

**Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific:** AS 16.05.255; AS 16.05.258

**Fiscal Information:** The regulations are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

DATE: September 4, 2014

s/Kristy Tibbles,  
Executive Director Alaska Board of  
Game

**Title 5. Fish and Game.**

**Part 3. Game.**

**Chapter 85. Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits.**

**Article 2. Seasons and Bag Limits.**

**5 AAC 85.065. Hunting seasons and bag limits for small game.**

5 AAC 85.065(a)(4) is repealed and readopted to read:

	<b>Resident</b>	
	<b>Open Season</b>	
	<b>(Subsistence and</b>	<b>Nonresident</b>
<b>Units and Bag Limits</b>	<b>General Hunts)</b>	<b>Open Season</b>

(4)

Migratory game birds

(except by falconry)<sup>1</sup>

(A) Ducks (except sea  
ducks)<sup>3</sup>

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Units 1—4

7 per day, 21 in possession;  
however, no more than 1 per  
day, 3 in possession, may be  
canvasbacks

Sept. 16—Dec. 31  
(General hunt only)

Sept. 16—Dec. 31

Units 5—7, 9, 10, (Unimak Is.  
only), and 14—16

8 per day, 24 in possession;  
however, no more than 1 per  
day, 3 in possession, may be  
canvasbacks

Sept. 1—Dec. 16  
(General hunt only)

Sept. 1—Dec. 16

Units 8 and 10 (except Unimak  
Is.)

7 per day, 21 in possession;  
however, no more than 1 per  
day, 3 in possession, may be  
canvasbacks

Oct. 8—Jan. 22  
(General hunt only)

Oct. 8—Jan. 22

Units 11—13 and 17—26

10 per day, 30 in possession;  
however, no more than 1 per  
day, 3 in possession, may be  
canvasbacks

Sept. 1—Dec. 16

Sept. 1—Dec. 16

(General hunt only)

(B) Sea Ducks (except Spectacled  
and Steller's eiders)<sup>3</sup>

Units 1—4

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

Sept. 16—Dec. 31

10 per day, 20 in

(General hunt only)

possession, of which

no more than 6 per day, 12 in

possession, may be harlequin

ducks and no more than 6 per

day, 12 in possession, may be

long-tailed ducks

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

Sept. 16—Dec. 31

7 per day, 20 in possession;  
however, no more than 4 each  
of any sea duck species may be  
taken per season; and no more  
than 20 sea ducks of all species  
may be taken per season

Units 5—7, 9, 10 (Unimak Is.  
only), 14, remainder of 15,  
and 16

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

Sept. 1—Dec. 16

10 per day, 20 in possession,  
of which no more than 6 per day,  
12 in possession, may be harlequin  
ducks and no more than 6 per  
day, 12 in possession, may be  
long-tailed ducks

(General hunt only)

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

Sept. 1—Dec. 16

8 per day, 20 in possession;  
however, no more than 4 each  
of any sea duck species may be

taken per season; and no more  
than 20 sea ducks of all species  
may be taken per season

Unit 15(C), that portion in  
Kachemak Bay east of a line  
from Point Pogibshi  
to Anchor Point

RESIDENT HUNTERS: Sept. 1—Dec. 16  
10 per day, 20 in possession, (General hunt only)  
of which no more than 2 per day,  
4 in possession, may be harlequin  
ducks, no more than 2 per day,  
4 in possession, may be long-tailed  
ducks, and no more than 1 per day,  
2 in possession, may be an eider

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS: Sept. 1—Dec. 16  
8 per day, 20 in possession,  
of which no more than 2 per day,  
4 in possession, may be harlequin ducks,  
no more than 2 per day, 4 in possession,

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may be long-tailed ducks, and no more than 1 per day, 2 in possession, may be an eider; however, no more than 4 each of any sea duck species may be taken per season; and no more than 20 sea ducks of all species may be taken per season

Units 8 and 10 (except Unimak Is.)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

Oct. 8—Jan. 22

10 per day, 20 in possession,

(General hunt only)

of which no more than 6 per day,

12 in possession, may be harlequin

ducks and no more than 6 per

day, 12 in possession, may be

long-tailed ducks

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

Oct. 8—Jan. 22

7 per day, 20 in possession;

however, no more than 4 each

of any sea duck species may be

taken per season; and no more

than 20 sea ducks of all species  
may be taken per season

Units 11—13 and 17—26

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12 in possession, may be harlequin  
ducks and no more than 6 per  
day, 12 in possession, may be  
long-tailed ducks

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS: Sept. 1—Dec. 16  
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however, no more than 4 each  
of any sea duck species may be  
taken per season; and no more  
than 20 sea ducks of all species  
may be taken per season

(C) Geese,  
Canada and cackling



combined

Units 1—4	Sept. 16—Dec. 31	Sept. 16—Dec. 31
	(General hunt only)	

4 per day, 12 in possession

Units 7, 11—16, and 19—26	Sept. 1—Dec. 16	Sept. 1—Dec. 16
	(General hunt only)	

4 per day, 12 in possession

Units 9, 10 (Unimak Is. only), 17, and 18	Sept. 1—Dec. 16	Sept. 1—Dec. 16
	(General hunt only)	

6 per day, 18 in possession

Unit 5	Sept. 28—Dec. 16	Sept. 28—Dec. 16
	(General hunt only)	

4 per day, 12 in possession

Unit 6 (except Middleton Is.)	Sept. 28—Dec. 16	Sept. 28—Dec. 16
	(General hunt only)	

4 per day, 8 in possession

Unit 6 (Middleton Is. only)	Sept. 28—Dec. 16 (General hunt only)	Sept. 28—Dec. 16
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Limit of 1 per day,  
1 in possession, and  
only by registration permit

Unit 8 (except Semidi Islands)	Oct. 8—Jan. 22 (General hunt only)	Oct. 8—Jan. 22
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Limit of 1 per day,  
2 in possession

Unit 8 (Semidi Islands)	No open season.	No open season.
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Unit 10 (except Unimak Is.)	Oct. 8—Jan. 22 (General hunt only)	Oct. 8—Jan. 22
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6 per day, 18 in possession

(D) Geese,

White-fronted

Units 1—4	Sept. 16—Dec. 31	Sept. 16—Dec. 31
	(General hunt only)	

4 per day, 12 in possession

Units 5—7, 11—16, and 19—26	Sept. 1—Dec. 16	Sept. 1—Dec. 16
	(General hunt only)	

4 per day, 12 in possession

Units 9, 10 (Unimak Is. only), and 17	Sept. 1—Dec. 16	Sept. 1—Dec. 16
	(General hunt only)	

6 per day, 18 in possession

Unit 18	Sept. 1—Dec. 16	Sept. 1—Dec. 16
	(General hunt only)	

8 per day, 24 in possession

Unit 8	Oct. 8—Jan. 22	Oct. 8—Jan. 22
	(General hunt only)	

4 per day, 12 in possession

Unit 10 (except Unimak Is.)	Oct. 8—Jan. 22 (General hunt only)	Oct. 8—Jan. 22
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6 per day, 18 in possession

(E) Geese, Light (Snow and Ross')

Units 1—4	Sept. 16—Dec. 31 (General hunt only)	Sept. 16—Dec. 31
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4 per day, 12 in possession

Units 5—7, 9, 10 (Unimak Is. only), and 11—26	Sept. 1—Dec. 16 (General hunt only)	Sept. 1—Dec. 16
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4 per day, 12 in possession

Units 8 and 10 (except Unimak Is.)	Oct. 8—Jan. 22 (General hunt only)	Oct. 8—Jan. 22
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4 per day, 12 in possession

(F) Brant

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Units 1—4	Sept. 16—Dec. 31	Sept. 16—Dec. 31
	(General hunt only)	

2 per day, 6 in possession

Units 5—7, 9, 10 (Unimak Is. only), and 11—26	Sept. 1—Dec. 16	Sept. 1—Dec. 16
	(General hunt only)	

2 per day, 6 in possession

Units 8 and 10 (except Unimak Is.)	Oct. 8—Jan. 22	Oct. 8—Jan. 22
	(General hunt only)	

2 per day, 6 in possession

(G) Emperor Geese

Units 1—26	No open season.	No open season.
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(H) Cranes

Units 1—4	Sept. 16—Dec. 31	Sept. 16—Dec. 31
	(General hunt only)	

2 per day, 6 in possession

Units 5—7, 9, 10 (Unimak	Sept. 1—Dec. 16	Sept. 1—Dec. 16
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Is. only), and 14—17

(General hunt only)

2 per day, 6 in possession

Units 8 and 10 (except

Oct. 8—Jan. 22

Oct. 8—Jan. 22

Unimak Is.)

(General hunt only)

2 per day, 6 in possession

Units 11, 12, 13 and 18—26

Sept. 1—Dec. 16

Sept. 1—Dec. 16

(General hunt only)

3 per day, 9 in possession

(I) Snipe

Units 1—4

Sept. 16—Dec. 31

Sept. 16—Dec. 31

(General hunt only)

8 per day, 24 in possession

Units 5—7, 9, 10 (Unimak

Sept. 1—Dec. 16

Sept. 1—Dec. 16

Is. only), and 11—26

(General hunt only)

8 per day, 24 in possession

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Units 8 and 10 (except Unimak Is.)	Oct. 8—Jan. 22 (General hunt only)	Oct. 8—Jan. 22
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8 per day, 24 in possession

(J) Tundra Swans

Unit 17	Sept. 1—Oct. 31 (General hunt only)	Sept. 1—Oct. 31
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3 swans per season, by registration permit only; up to 200 permits will be issued

Unit 18	Sept. 1—Oct. 31 (General hunt only)	Sept. 1—Oct. 31
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3 swans per season, by registration permit only; up to 300 permits will be issued

Unit 22	Sept. 1—Oct. 31 (General hunt only)	Sept. 1—Oct. 31
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3 swans per season, by registration permit only; up to 200

permits will be issued

Unit 23	Sept. 1—Oct. 31	Sept. 1—Oct. 31
	(General hunt only)	

3 swans per season, by registration permit only; up to 200 permits will be issued

All other units	No open season.	No open season.
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