

# GWCT SPORTING YEAR PLANNER 2024/2025



	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	
MON													MON
TUE			1						1			1	TUE
WED			2			1 New Year's Day			2			2	WED
THU	1		3			2 Holiday (Scotland)			3	1		3	THU
FRI	2		4	1		3			4	2		4	FRI
SAT	3		5	2		4	1	1 St. David's Day (Wales)	5	3		5	SAT
SUN	4	1	6	3	1	5	2	2	6	4	1	6	SUN
MON	5 Summer Bank Holiday (Scotland)	2	7	4	2 St. Andrew's Day observed (Scotland)	6	3	3	7	5 Early May Bank Holiday	2	7	MON
TUE	6	3	8	5 Guy Fawkes Night (UK)	3	7	4	4	8	6	3	8	TUE
WED	7	4	9	6	4	8	5	5	9	7	4	9	WED
THU	8	5	10	7	5	9	6	6	10	8	5	10	THU
FRI	9	6	11	8	6	10	7	7	11	9	6	11	FRI
SAT	10	7	12	9	7	11	8	8	12	10	7	12 Battle of the Boyne (N. Ireland)	SAT
SUN	11	8	13	10 Remembrance Sunday	8	12	9	9	13	11	8	13	SUN
MON	12 Glorious Twelfth	9	14	11 Armistice Day	9	13	10	10	14	12	9	14	MON
TUE	13	10	15	12	10	14	11	11	15	13	10	15	TUE
WED	14	11	16	13	11	15	12	12	16	14	11	16	WED
THU	15	12	17	14	12	16	13	13	17	15	12	17	THU
FRI	16	13	18	15	13	17	14 St. Valentine's Day	14	18 Good Friday	16	13	18	FRI
SAT	17	14	19	16	14	18	15	15	19	17	14	19	SAT
SUN	18	15	20	17	15	19	16	16	20	18	15 Father's Day	20	SUN
MON	19	16	21	18	16	20	17	17 St. Patrick's Day (N. Ireland)	21 Easter Monday	19	16	21	MON
TUE	20	17	22	19	17	21	18	18	22	20	17	22	TUE
WED	21	18	23	20	18	22	19	19	23 St. George's Day (England)	21	18	23	WED
THU	22	19	24	21	19	23	20	20	24	22	19	24	THU
FRI	23	20	25	22	20	24	21	21	25	23	20	25	FRI
SAT	24	21	26	23	21	25 Burns Night (Scotland)	22	22	26	24	21	26	SAT
SUN	25	22	27	24	22	26	23	23	27	25	22	27	SUN
MON	26 Summer Bank Holiday (UK)	23	28	25	23	27	24	24	28	26 Spring Bank Holiday	23	28	MON
TUE	27	24	29	26	24 Christmas Eve	28	25	25	29	27	24	29	TUE
WED	28	25	30	27	25 Christmas Day	29	26	26	30	28	25	30	WED
THU	29	26	31 Halloween	28	26 Boxing Day	30	27	27		29	26	31	THU
FRI	30	27		29	27	31	28	28		30	27		FRI
SAT	31	28		30 St. Andrew's Day (Scotland)	28			29		31	28		SAT
SUN		29			29			30 Mother's Day			29		SUN
MON		30			30			31			30		MON
TUE					31 New Year's Eve								TUE

## OPEN SEASONS

(dates inclusive)

**FEATHERED GAME (ENGLAND, WALES & SCOTLAND)**  
Pheasant: Oct 1 to Feb 1  
Grey Partridge & Red-legged Partridge: Sep 1 to Feb 1  
Red Grouse: Aug 12 to Dec 10  
Black Grouse: Aug 20 to Dec 10  
Ptarmigan (Scotland): Aug 12 to Dec 10  
Duck & Goose (inland): Sep 1 to Jan 31  
Duck & Goose (below HWM\*): Sep 1 to Feb 20  
\* High Water Mark of ordinary spring tides England, Wales and Scotland.  
Common Snipe: Aug 12 to Jan 31  
Jack Snipe: PROTECTED  
Woodcock (England & Wales): Oct 1 to Jan 31  
Woodcock (Scotland): Sep 1 to Jan 31  
**The GWCT recommends delaying the shooting of woodcock until after Dec 1 to take pressure off the declining resident population.**  
Golden Plover: Sep 1 to Jan 31  
Coot & Moorhen: Sep 1 to Jan 31

**FEATHERED GAME (NORTHERN IRELAND)**  
Pheasant: Oct 1 to Jan 31  
Grey Partridge & Red-legged Partridge: Sep 1 to Jan 31  
Red Grouse: Aug 12 to Nov 30  
Duck & Goose (inland): Sep 1 to Jan 31  
Duck & Goose (below HWM): Sep 1 to Jan 31  
Common Snipe: Sep 1 to Jan 31  
Jack Snipe: Sep 1 to Jan 31  
Woodcock: Oct 1 to Jan 31  
Golden Plover: Sep 1 to Jan 31  
Coot & Moorhen: PROTECTED

**DEER (ENGLAND & WALES)**  
Red & Sika Stag & Fallow Buck: Aug 1 to Apr 30  
Red & Sika Hind & Fallow Doe: Nov 1 to Mar 31  
Roebuck: Apr 1 to Oct 31  
Roe Doe: Nov 1 to Mar 31  
Chinese Water Deer Buck & Doe: Nov 1 to Mar 31  
Muntjac: NO CLOSE SEASON

**DEER (SCOTLAND)**  
Red & Sika Stag & Fallow Buck & Roebuck: NO CLOSE SEASON  
Red Hind: Oct 21 to Feb 15  
Sika Hind: Oct 21 to Feb 15  
Fallow Doe: Oct 21 to Feb 15  
Roe Doe: Oct 21 to Mar 31

**DEER (NORTHERN IRELAND)**  
Red & Sika Stag & Fallow Buck: Aug 1 to Apr 30  
Red & Sika Hind & Fallow Doe: Nov 1 to Mar 31

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