

STATE OF MINNESOTA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

COMMISSIONER'S ORDER NO. 2358

REGULATIONS FOR THE TAKING
OF WOODCOCK, RAILS AND WILSON'S SNIPE
SUPERSEDING COMMISSIONER'S ORDER NO. 2031

Pursuant to authority vested in me by Minn. Stat. §§ 97A.045, 97B.701, 97B.731, and other applicable law, I, Joseph N. Alexander, Commissioner of Natural Resources, hereby prescribe the following regulations for the taking of woodcock, rails and Wilson's snipe (Jacksnipe). All dates and time periods specified in this order are inclusive, unless otherwise noted.

Section 1. WOODCOCK.

(a) Season length and hours. Woodcock may be taken from September 1 to November 4, from one-half hour before sunrise to sunset.

(b) Daily and possession limits. No person shall take more than five woodcock per day, nor have in possession more than ten woodcock.

Sec. 2. RAILS.

(a) Season length and hours. Rails may be taken from September 1 to November 4, except that there is no open season for King rails. Shooting hours are from one-half hour before sunrise to sunset except during the waterfowl season when daily shooting hours are the same as waterfowl shooting hours.

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(b) Daily and possession limits. No person shall take more than an aggregate of twenty-five rails per day nor have in possession more than an aggregate of twenty-five rails. King rails may not be taken or possessed.

Sec. 3. WILSON'S SNIPE (JACKSNIPE).

(a) Season length and hours. Wilson's snipe (Jacksnipe) may be taken from September 1 to November 4. Shooting hours are from one-half hour before sunrise to sunset except during the waterfowl season when daily shooting hours are the same as waterfowl shooting hours.

(b) Daily and possession limits. No person shall take more than eight Wilson's snipe per day, nor have in possession more than sixteen Wilson's snipe.

Sec. 4. OPENING DAY POSSESSION LIMIT.

No person shall have in possession on the opening day of each of the seasons established by this order more than a single daily limit. Thereafter the possession limits shall apply.

Sec. 5. FEDERAL REGULATIONS.

Nothing in this order shall be construed as allowing any hunter to hunt or take any migratory game birds in violation of applicable federal regulations.

Sec. 6. GAME REFUGES AND STATE PARKS.

None of the provisions of this order shall be construed as modifying or superseding any order establishing game refuges

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within the state nor as permitting the taking of any wild animals within such refuges or within state parks.


Sec. 7. LIVE ANIMALS.

All animals taken pursuant to this order must be killed before being removed from the site where taken.

Sec. 8. Commissioner's Order No. 2031 is hereby superseded.

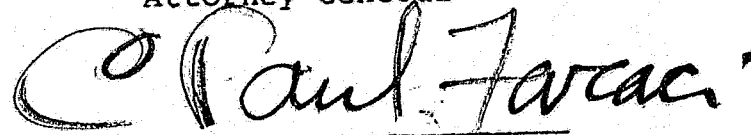
Dated at Saint Paul, Minnesota, this 5 day of

Sept, 1989.


JOSEPH N. ALEXANDER, Commissioner
Department of Natural Resources

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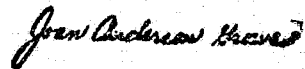
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