

2026 Dove Field and Dove Hunting Overview

Hunting Season **opens Saturday, 5 SEP 25**. No
Hunting on 6 SEP 25.

Due to North Carolina legislation, **migratory bird
hunting** (including dove) **is NOT permitted on
Sundays**.

BLUF: Expect a poor to fair dove shoot. The
drought came at a bad time. That usually makes for
bad crop and dove production – especially in the
Sandhills of North Carolina.



Dove field status is as follows:

- **Smith Field (Dove Field 1):** Millet is spotty. Dove use is poor to fair. Check into Northeast Area (NEA).
- **Dove Field 2:** Field produced a fair stand of millet. Dove use is poor to fair. Check into NEA.
- **Dove Field 3:** Good millet crop and poor sunflower crop. Bird activity is fair. Check into Latham.
- **Dove Field X:** Millet crop fair to poor. Bird use is poor to fair. Check into Holland.
- **NN Dove Field:** Fair millet crop. Bird activity is fair. Check into Holland.
- **DD3 Dove Field:** Fair millet crop. Dove activity fair. Check into King.
- **I12 Dove Field:** Spotty millet crop. Dove activity is poor to fair. Check into Mott.
- **ALL DROP ZONES ARE CLOSED TO HUNTING.**

** Anecdotally, doves have been using the fields more as we have been disking and mowing the fields. We hope you can scratch out a few birds if you hunt the Labor Day weekend.

Check in/out using our iSportsman website, www.bragg.isportsman.net.

If you plan to hunt in a Small Game Area that does not have a designated dove field, simply select that area when checking in.

REMEMBER:

- **SAFETY COMES FIRST!**
- **DO NOT SHOOT AT LOW FLYING BIRDS.**
- **BE AWARE OF OTHER HUNTERS AT ALL TIMES.**