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Bag a copy of the 2016 Hunting Guide

Victorian game hunters looking for information about bag limits, season dates and safe and responsible hunting will be well informed with the new Victorian Hunting Guide, released this week.

The guide, which is posted online and mailed out to all 48,000 licensed game hunters, covers updates to hunting arrangements for the 2016 seasons.

This year, bag limits have been reduced for duck season – eight birds can be taken on opening day, 19 March, and four birds per day after that, while the Blue-Winged Shoveler cannot be hunted.

Hunters of deer, Stubble Quail and introduced game birds will also find details of season openings and closings, locations and bag limits.

The guide provides important information on hunting laws, licensing, where you can hunt, responsible hunting, including firearms safety, humanely hunting game and species identification.

The Game Management Authority CEO Greg Hyams said, “Game hunting is a popular recreational activity with the state’s 48,000 hunters spending approximately 300,000 days in the field each year throughout regional Victoria.”

“The guide supports hunters by providing important information to help them comply with the law and hunt safely, sustainably and responsibly,” Mr Hyams said.

The guide is available to the public now on the GMA website at www.gma.vic.gov.au and will be mailed to all licensed game hunters in the coming weeks.

Hard copies of the guide will become available from selected Game Management Authority, Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning and Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources regional offices and some hunting retail stores.

The Game Hunting Victoria smart phone application will also be updated with the latest hunting information shortly.

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