2012 Season Dates

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

These dates are provided **only as a general reference**. Check current regulations for specific dates. Visit our website @ **fwp.mt.gov**

2012 Big Game Seasons

Antelope
- 900 series .....Aug 15–Nov 11
- archery.....Sept 1–Oct 5
- general.....Oct 6–Nov 11

Bighorn Sheep
- archery.....Sept 5–Sept 14
- general.....Sept 15–Nov 25

Bison .....Nov 15–Feb 15, 2013

Black bear
- spring.....Apr 15– Various
- archery.....Sept 1–Sept 14
- fall .....Sept 15–Nov 25

Deer & Elk
- archery.....Sept 1–Oct 14
- youth, deer only, two-day hunt .....Oct 18–Oct 19
- general.....Oct 20–Nov 25
- backcountry – HD's 150, 151, 280, 316
  - archery.....Sept 1–Sept 14
  - general.....Sept 15–Nov 25

Moose .....Sept 15–Nov 25

Mountain Goat.....Sept 15–Nov 25

Mountain Lion
- archery.....Sept 1–Oct 14
- fall .....Oct 20–Nov 25
- winter .....Dec 1–Apr 14, 2013

2012 Wolf Season
- archery.....Sept 1–Oct 14
- general.....Oct 15–Feb 28, 2013
- trapping.....Dec 15–Feb 28, 2013
- backcountry – WMU's 150, 280, 316
  - archery.....Sept 1–Sept 14
  - general.....Sept 15–Feb 28, 2013

These dates are provided **only as a general reference**. Check current regulations for specific dates. Visit our website @ **fwp.mt.gov**

2012 Upland Game Birds Seasons

Mountain Grouse.....Sept 1–Jan 1, 2013

Partridge.....Sept 1–Jan 1, 2013

Pheasant.....Oct 6–Jan 1, 2013

Sage Grouse.....Sept 1–Nov 1

Sharp-tailed Grouse..Sept 1–Jan 1, 2013

Turkey
- spring.....Apr 14–May 20
- fall .....Sept 1–Jan 1, 2013

2012 Montana Fishing Seasons

Lakes.....Open entire year

Rivers** and streams .....
- 3rd Saturday in May - Nov. 30
- **some rivers are open entire year – check the fishing regulations

2012 Montana Furbearer Seasons

For general reference only.
2012 dates adopted in August, 2012.

Trapping District 1, 2 & 3
- Beaver .....Nov 1 - April 15, 2013
- Bobcat .....Dec 1 - Feb 15, 2013*

Trapping Districts 4, 5, 6 & 7
- Beaver.....Sept 1 - May 31, 2013
- Bobcat.....Dec 1 - March 1, 2013*

Portion of Trapping District 6
- Swift Fox.....Nov 1 - March 1, 2013*

Fisher, Marten, Wolverine (where open) .....Dec 1 - Feb 15, 2013*

Mink, Muskrat, Otter.....Nov 1 - April 15, 2013*

* May close earlier when the quota is reached.

2012 Application/Purchase Deadlines

Big Game

Antelope .....June 1

Bighorn Sheep .....May 1

Bison .....May 1

Black Bear
- spring .....Apr 14*
- fall.....Aug 31*

Deer & Elk
- special permits .....Mar 15
- special licenses.....June 1

Moose .....May 1

Mountain Goat.....May 1

Mountain Lion
- general license .....Aug 31*
- special limited entry .....Aug 31

Super Tags
- Antelope, Bighorn Sheep, Bison, Deer, Elk, Moose, Mountain Goat and Mountain Lion.....July 5

*see species-specific regulations for license purchase restrictions.

Upland Game, Migratory and Webless Migratory Birds

Crane .....July 26

Swan .....Sept 6

Turkey
- spring.....March 8
- fall .....July 26

Turn In Poachers – 1-800-847-6668

Contacts – FWP State Headquarters and Regional and Area Resource Offices

State Headquarters
1420 East Sixth Ave
PO Box 200701
Helena, MT 59620
406-444-2535

Region 1
490 N Meridian Rd
Kalispell, MT 59901
406-752-5501

Region 2
3201 Spurgin Rd
Missoula, MT 59804
406-542-5500

Region 3
1400 South 19th Ave
Bozeman, MT 59718
406-994-4042

Helena Area Res Office (HARO)
930 Custer Ave W
Helena, MT 59620
406-495-3260

Butte Area Res Office (BARO)
1820 Meadowlark Ln
Butte, MT 59701
406-494-1953

Region 4
4600 Giant Springs Rd
Great Falls, MT 59405
406-454-5840

Lewistown Area Res Office (LARO)
215 W Aztec Dr
PO Box 938
Lewistown, MT 59457
406-538-4658

Region 5
2300 Lake Elmo Dr
Billings, MT 59105
406-247-2940

Region 6
54078 US Hwy 2 W
Glasgow, MT 59230
406-228-3700

Havre Area Res Office (HvARO)
2165 Hwy 2 East
Havre, MT 59501
406-265-6177

Region 7
352 I-94 Business Loop
PO Box 1630
Miles City, MT 59301
406-234-0900