

# 2017 Season Dates



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## 2017 Big Game Seasons

Antelope	
900 series	Aug 15–Nov 12
archery	Sept 2–Oct 6
general	Oct 7–Nov 12
Bighorn Sheep	
archery	Sept 2–Sept 14
general	Sept 15–Nov 26
Bison	Nov 15–Feb 15, 2018
Black Bear	
spring	Apr 15–Varies
	(May 31–June 15)
archery	Sept 2–Sept 14
fall	Sept 15–Nov 26
Deer & Elk	
archery	Sept 2–Oct 15
youth, deer only	Oct 19–Oct 20
general	Oct 21–Nov 26
backcountry – HD's 150, 151, 280, 316*	
archery	Sept 2–Sept 14
general	Sept 15–Nov 26
Elk Shoulder Seasons	Check website
Moose	Sept 15–Nov 26
Mountain Goat	Sept 15–Nov 26
Mountain Lion	
archery	Sept 2–Oct 15
fall	Oct 21–Nov 26
winter	Dec 1–Apr 14, 2018
Wolf	adopted in June, 2017

\* HD 316 does not have an Archery Only Season

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## 2017 Upland Game Birds Seasons

Mountain Grouse	Sept 1–Jan 1, 2018
Partridge	Sept 1–Jan 1, 2018
Pheasant	Oct 7–Jan 1, 2018
Sage Grouse	Sept 1–Sept 30
Sharp-tailed Grouse	Sept 1–Jan 1, 2018
Turkey	
spring	Apr 8–May 21
fall	Sept 1–Jan 1, 2018

## 2017 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

## 2017 Montana Furbearer Seasons

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2017 dates adopted in July, 2017.*

Trapping Districts 1, 2 & 3	
Beaver	Nov 1–April 15, 2018
Bobcat	Dec 1–Feb 15, 2018*
Trapping Districts 4, 5, 6 & 7	
Beaver	Sept 1–May 31, 2018
Bobcat	Dec 1–Mar 1, 2018*
Portion of Trapping District 6	
Swift Fox	Nov 1–Mar 1, 2018*
Fisher, Marten, Wolverine	
(where open)	Dec 1–Feb 15, 2018*
Mink, Muskrat, Otter	Nov 1–Apr 15, 2018*

\* May close earlier when the quota is reached.

## 2017 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 drawings	June 1
Moose	May 1
Mountain Goat	May 1
Mountain Lion	
general license	Aug 31*
special limited entry	Aug 10
Super Tags	
Antelope, Bighorn Sheep, Bison, Deer, Elk, Moose, Mountain Goat and Mountain Lion	June 29

\*see species-specific regulations for license purchase restrictions.

### Upland Game, Migratory and Webless Migratory Birds

Crane	July 27
Swan	Aug 31
Turkey	
spring	Mar 2
fall	July 27

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