

## Bighorn Sheep Mandatory Reporting and Checking Requirements

- A hunter harvesting a bighorn ram must personally present the complete head and cape intact within 48 hours to any FWP office, game warden, or designated employee. In the Missouri Breaks (Region 6 and HD 482) and in unlimited districts, the harvested sheep must be presented in the administrative region where the bighorn ram was taken. See page 42 for FWP office phone numbers.
- A hunter harvesting a bighorn sheep with a license valid for a “legal ram” must not alter the head and horns so as to affect determination of legality.
- Bighorn ram horns greater than one-half curl must be plugged or pinned at any FWP office within 10 days after harvest. A listing of designated personnel and phone numbers will be provided to all bighorn sheep license holders.

## Bighorn Sheep HD Regulations

Residents are eligible to apply for any of the following licenses. Nonresidents are restricted to certain districts. Nonresidents are limited to, but not guaranteed, 10 percent of a region's quota. **Districts where nonresidents may apply are listed on the moose, bighorn sheep, and mountain goat nonresident worksheet, but may change when final quotas are set in June.**

Hunting District	License	Opportunity	Apply by Date	Quota	Quota Ranges	Archery Only Season Dates	Season Dates	Opportunity Specific Details and/or Restrictions
<b>Region 1</b>								
100 - Kootenai Falls	100-20	Either-sex	May 1	5	1-10	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
102 - Galton Range	102-20	Either-sex	May 1	1	1-5	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
121 - North Clark Fork	121-20	Either-sex	May 1	1	1-15	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
122 - Clark Fork Cut-Off	122-20	Any Ram	May 1	2	1-5	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
123 - Cabinet Mountains	123-20	Either-sex	May 1	3	1-5	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
124 - Paradise	124-20	Either-sex	May 1	6	1-15	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
	124-30	Adult Ewe	May 1	2	1-20	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
<b>Region 2</b>								
203 - Grave Creek Range	203-20	Either-sex	May 1	3	2-10	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
210 - John Long Range	210-20	Either-sex	May 1	1	1-10	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
214 - South Flint Range	214-60	Legal Ram	May 1	2	2-8 1-8	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
250 - West Fork Bitterroot	250-20	Either-sex	May 1	1	1-8	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	Valid in portion of HD south of Nez Perce Rd and West Fork Rd.
261 - Skalkaho	261-20	Either-sex	May 1	3	1-8	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
270 - East Fork Bitterroot	270-20	Either-sex	May 1	5	1-15	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
	270-30	Adult Ewe	May 1	3	1-5	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
<b>Region 3</b>								
300 - Gallatin-Yellowstone	300-60	Legal Ram	May 1	UNL	UNL	-	Sep 01-Sep 10	Harvest quota = 2.
NOTE: Any person harvesting a bighorn sheep in this hunting district must personally report their harvest by calling the Harvest Reporting Line at 1-877-FWP-WILD (397-9453) or (406) 444-0356 or through the MYFWP portal at fwp.mt.gov within 48 hours of the kill. When the quota is reached or approached, the bighorn sheep season in this district will close. For quota status call 1-800-385-7826 or (406) 444-1989.								
301 - Spanish Peaks	301-20	Either-sex	May 1	5	2-10	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
302 - Hilgards	302-20	Either-sex	May 1	6	1-10	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Oct 31	This is a remote backcountry unit. Access may be difficult.
303 - South Absaroka	303-60	Legal Ram	May 1	UNL	UNL	-	Sep 15-Oct 31	Harvest quota = 2. Deckard Flats-Eagle Crk portion of HD 303 as posted, subject to closure to all hunting on 24-hour notice.
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304 - Hyalite	304-20	Either-sex	May 1	1	1-3	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	This is a remote backcountry unit. Access may be difficult.
NOTE: HD 304 Check Restricted Area Legal Description (p 18-20) Gallatin Valley Weapons Restriction Area								

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<u>305 - South Yellowstone</u>	<u>305-10</u>	<u>Any Ram</u>	<u>May 1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1-5</u>	<u>Sep 07-Sep 14</u>	<u>Sep 15-Oct 31</u>	<i>This is a remote backcountry unit. Access may be difficult and sheep challenging to locate.</i>
330 - Greenhorn Mountains	330-10	Any Ram	May 1	1	1-5	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
340 - Highland	340-20	Either-sex	May 1	1	1-3	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
380 - Radersburg	380-10	Any Ram	May 1	1	1-2	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
NOTE: HD 380 Check Restricted Area Legal Description (p 18-20): Muskrat Valley Weapons Restriction Area (Restricted to archery, shotgun, traditional handgun or muzzleloader); Townsend Weapons Restriction Area								
<u>381 - Sleeping Giant</u>	<u>381-10</u>	<u>Any Ram</u>	<u>May 1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1-5</u>	<u>Sep 07-Sep 14</u>	<u>Sep 15-Dec 01</u>	
<b>Region 4</b>								
421 - Deep Creek	421-20	Either-sex	May 1	1	1-5	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
422 - Castle Reef	422-20	Either-sex	May 1	3	1-12	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
423 - Gibson Lake North	423-20	Either-sex	May 1	2	1-8	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
424 - Ford Creek	424-20	Either-sex	May 1	2	1-12	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
441 - North Fork Birch Creek-Teton	441-20	Either-sex	May 1	1	1-7	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
455 - Beartooth WMA-Gates of the Mountains Wilderness Area	455-20	Either-sex	May 1	2	1-4	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
NOTE: HD 455 Check Restricted Area Legal Description (p 18-20) Gates of the Mountains Game Preserve								
482 - Fergus	482-20	Either-sex	May 1	15	5	2-25	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01
	482-30	Adult Ewe	May 1	5	5	2-40	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01
<b>Region 5</b>								
500 - Boulder	500-60	Legal Ram	May 1	UNL	UNL	-	Sep 15-Dec 01	Harvest quota = 2.
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501 - Beartooth Mountains	501-60	Legal Ram	May 1	UNL	UNL	-	Sep 15-Dec 01	Harvest quota = 2.
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502 - Hellroaring	502-60	Legal Ram	May 1	UNL	UNL	-	Sep 15-Dec 01	Harvest quota = 2.
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503 - Pryor Mountains	503-20	Either-sex	May 1	3	1-4	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
<b>Region 6</b>								
620 - Little Rockies	620-20	Either-sex	May 1	3	1-3	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
622 - Middle Missouri Breaks	622-20	Either-sex	May 1	10	3-30	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
	622-30	Adult Ewe	May 1	10	1-100	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
680 - Chouteau-Blaine-Phillips	680-20	Either-sex	May 1	25	10-40	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	
	680-30	Adult Ewe	May 1	30	15-60	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	Only valid east of the Stafford Ferry (Lloyd) Rd.
	680-31	Adult Ewe	May 1	30	15-60	Sep 07-Sep 14	Sep 15-Dec 01	Only valid west of the Stafford Ferry (Lloyd) Rd.
NOTE: Public access may be difficult and limited.								